



CAPABILITY STATEMENT

Manufacturing Section of the Manufacturing, Engineering and Transport Faculty, Regency Campus of TAFESA Adelaide North.

The Manufacturing section of the Manufacturing, Engineering and Transport Faculty at TAFESA Adelaide North has been recognised by the Institute for Trade Skills Excellence as one of Australia's premier providers and awarded one gold star under the Institute's **Star Rating Scheme**.

TAFESA Adelaide North delivers nationally recognised qualifications based on the endorsed standards of the Competitive Manufacturing Training Package as well as publicly funded and fee for service enterprise based training. The evaluation was conducted against the Star Rating Scheme's criteria. A summary of strengths under each of the three criteria follows.

1. Training and assessment which focuses on enterprise and learner needs

- Measures are in place to identify learner and enterprise needs including establishing Training Plans for each student in consultation with the student and their employer.
- A wide variety of electives are offered within the Competitive Manufacturing Training Package to meet industry needs.
- Holistic assessment using project-based work is used with some workplace learners from co-operating enterprises.
- Procedures for accelerated training compared to normal delivery patterns are also available on request from learners and employers.
- Recognition of Prior Learning is available where requested by students.
- Industry placements are organised by the Faculty staff where the placement is part of a qualification or special course.
- Learner feedback and industry consultation and feedback measures are in place.

2. Excellent trainers and assessors, and contemporary equipment

- All trainers and assessors have appropriate training qualifications, belong to professional associations, participate in available industry networks and are able to nominate for professional development activities.
- Competitive Manufacturing training can be delivered in the workplace or on campus. There is a range of equipment and facilities to support campus based competitive manufacturing related training including an Advanced Manufacturing Centre with a variety of CNC and robotic equipment.
- The Faculty has a good working relationship with many enterprises. These enterprises support Faculty training with donations of equipment, consumables and awards.

3. Support to enable enterprises and learners get the most out of the apprenticeship/ traineeship

- Feedback to employers and learners is supplied on a quarterly basis for training following a standard delivery pattern. More frequent feedback is available on request or where judged necessary by trainers.
- Information on qualifications and delivery arrangements offered by the Faculty is made available to schools, industry associations, Australian Apprenticeship Centres, Group Training Companies and individual enterprises.
- Support facilities are available for students including those with learning or language difficulties, students with disabilities and students who have other special needs.

The **Institute for Trade Skills Excellence** is an initiative of Australian industry and Government established to promote the trades and recognise those registered training organisations (RTOs) truly focused on industry's needs and achieving excellent results.

How does it work? ... Under the **Star Rating Scheme**, individual faculties or schools within RTOs are evaluated by the Institute using industry experts and industry designed criteria. Those considered excellent are awarded one gold star, two gold stars or three gold stars by the Institute. The Institute issues a **Capability Statement** for each RTO which it publishes to explain the school or faculty's strengths and the level of service an employer can expect to receive.

Quite simply, where RTOs are doing great things, the Institute wants to ensure industry knows about it, and so an employer looking to select an RTO for their apprentice or trainee, can make an informed choice.