

CAPABILITY STATEMENT



Central TAFE (Drilling Division)

Central TAFE (Drilling Division) has been recognised by the Institute for Trade Skills Excellence as one of Australia's premier providers, and has been awarded **one gold star** under the Institute's Star Rating Scheme. Central TAFE delivers training to the drilling industry based on the nationally endorsed standards of the Drilling Package DRT03, in the areas of Drilling - Mineral Exploration, Blast Hole, and Water Well.

A summary of Central TAFE's strengths against the evaluation criteria are:

Training and assessment which focuses on enterprise and learner needs

Central TAFE enrolls students who demonstrate an interest in the drilling industry; many of the students have no prior experience or skills transferable to this industry. Central TAFE, therefore, has designed its courses to ensure students with the aptitude can be transformed into Drilling employees over the period of the course. Central TAFE Drilling Division prides itself on its ability to provide practical hands on experiences to their students, based on its ability to access sites and facilities donated by industry. The drilling industry is closely engaged with Central TAFE to oversee the development of learning and assessment tools that meet the needs of the industry and are tailored appropriately. All students who have recently graduated from the course over the past two years have been fully employed within the Drilling industry.

Excellent trainers and assessors, and contemporary equipment

Central TAFE Drilling Division is a small division within Central TAFE that employs a small number of trainers and assessors who have extensive experience within the Drilling industry. Many of Central's facilities have been donated by the Drilling industry to provide students with tangible and practical hands-on experiences which closely align the industry. The course structure has some flexibility in the programming to ensure industry expertise, when available, is optimised in a timely manner.

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

Central TAFE Drilling Division is the only institution in Western Australia where a drilling certificate can be obtained via a face-to-face approach. This delivery method enables many students to obtain a keen awareness of the industry and gain the necessary skills required whilst attending a course based in Perth. Central TAFE currently undertakes a limited number of traineeships, and has a strategy to further enhance this area of delivery.

For more information about Central TAFE – Drilling Division visit their website at <http://www.central.wa.edu.au/>