



CAPABILITY STATEMENT

AUTOMOTIVE FACULTY AT
WESTERN INSTITUTE OF TAFE - BATHURST

The Automotive faculty at Bathurst of Western Institute of TAFE 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.

Western Institute of TAFE Bathurst Campus delivers apprenticeships and traineeships in Automotive Mechanical Technology (Motorcycles) based on the nationally endorsed standards of the AUR05 Automotive Industry Retail, Service and Repair Training Package.

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

Training and assessment which focuses on enterprise and learner needs

Western Institute of TAFE – Bathurst Campus has implemented a training model for motorcycle mechanics which specifically focuses on the needs of regional businesses in NSW. The Bathurst campus is commended for the development and maintenance of ongoing relationships with local enterprises, including dealers, equipment suppliers and original equipment manufacturers.

Excellent trainers and assessors, and contemporary equipment

Teaching staff at Bathurst are trade qualified and have recent industry experience. Their ongoing involvements with local enterprises helps them keep abreast of current industry requirements for motorcycle service and repairs in regional NSW, as well as maintain an understanding of current workforce issues. The proposed extensions to the automotive workshop will greatly enhance the teaching and learning environment within the training workshop area.

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

A centralised process is in place at Western Institute of TAFE for learners to apply for the recognition of prior learning and existing skills. The recognition process is supported by a centrally located Recognition Coordinator. Information relating to program content, fees and charges and support services is readily accessible on the Institute's web site.

For more information about the Bathurst Campus of Western Institute of TAFE visit the RTO's website at www.wit.tafensw.edu.au

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.