



## CAPABILITY STATEMENT

### Carpentry & Joinery Certificate III & Plumbing Certificate 3 Qualifications Great Southern TAFE

Great Southern TAFE Western Australia delivers apprenticeship training in Carpentry & Joinery Certificate 3 based on the nationally endorsed standards of the BCG03 Training Package and Plumbing Certificate 3 based on the nationally endorsed standards of the BCP03 Training Package.

It has been recognised by the Institute for Trade Skills Excellence as one of Australia's premier providers and awarded **Two Gold Stars** under the Institute's Star Rating Scheme. A summary of Riverina Institute's strengths against the evaluation criteria are:

#### *Training and assessment which focuses on enterprise and learner needs*

- *Individual Training Plans for each apprentice are fully negotiated by teaching staff in concert with their employer with existing skills fully recognised in forming the resulting training program. The College's dedicated Customer Support team rounds out the enrolment process to ensure an individual's needs are explored and met.*
- *Great Southern has an extraordinary close association with their local employers to ensure all training activities match the employment needs of both an apprentice and their employer.*
- *Great Southern has a "can do" attitude which allows the identification of specialist training needs which are delivered at the College and on-site in relative remote locations.*
- *The committed teaching staff have created first of its kind training materials and assessment regimes using Personal Digital Assistant computer applications which is ideal for apprentices in outlying areas of the State.*

#### *Excellent trainers and assessors, and contemporary equipment*

- *Great Southern employs highly competent and industry respected teachers that deliver individualised training on a block or day release basis in a College that is ideal for both carpentry and joinery and plumbing disciplines.*
- *The campus is very well equipped and the approach to training has been identified as fully compliant with Australian Quality Training Framework standards and as a model of good practice in vocational training.*
- *The quality of the teaching staff and their systems has recently been recognised with the adoption of a partnership to assess overseas qualifications of future migrants.*
- *All training that is delivered is based on realistic full size building activities that ensure an apprentice is fully productive back at the workplace.*

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

- *Extra support is provided for each apprentice to realise their potential through the provision of additional training hours, supplementary work and computer based evidence gathering techniques used in assessment.*
- *The College has a strong school based and pre-apprenticeship program which has seen a 90% transition of students to fulltime apprenticeships.*
- *The College adopts a continuous improvement strategy that encourages not only achievement within normal program activities but through individualised training delivery techniques. This*

*flexible approach is attested to with a completion rate of over 90% in both carpentry-joinery and plumbing disciplines.*

For more information about Great Southern TAFE visit the Institute's website at [www.gstafe.wa.edu.au](http://www.gstafe.wa.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.