# **Smart and Skilled**

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# **ITAB SMART AND SKILLED UPDATE**

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## 1. SUMMER SKILLS 2021/22 - INTENT TO PARTICIPATE

The Department is inviting Smart and Skilled providers to submit an intent to participate in delivering part qualifications for the 2021/22 Summer Skills program.

#### a. About Summer Skills 2021/22

Under this strategy, funding will be available to Smart and Skilled providers to deliver part qualifications from the Skilling for Recovery (SfR) Priority part qualifications list (available at training.nsw.gov.au/smartandskilled/prices\_fees) to:

- 2021 school leavers, 16 year of age or over
- other young people, aged 16 to 24, who are not at school.

The strategy supports young people, particularly school leavers, to obtain the skills they need in industries where there are immediate job opportunities.

#### b. Priority industry areas

Funding for part qualifications will be prioritised for the following industry areas:

- Hospitality
- Agriculture
- Construction
- Community services
- Business/ Admin
- IT/Digital
- Retail



- Transport and Logistics
- Manufacturing/Engineering
- Sport and Recreation.

Industry needs may differ from region to region. If there is an industry need that is not identified on the above list, please contact a Skills Broker or your Strategic Relationship Manager in your local Training Services NSW regional office to discuss funding opportunities.

#### c. Enrolment and training delivery dates

Successful providers can enrol students as of **8 November 2021**, with all enrolments to occur **no later than 28 February 2022**.

All training must be completed by 30 April 2022.

#### d. Communications and engagement

The 2021/22 Summer Skills strategy will launch on **30 August 2021** with a focus on informing schools, school students, and parents about the opportunities available.

The promotion campaign will run across a variety of media platforms from August 2021 through to the end of January 2022. Students will be able to view the courses on offer via a dedicated Summer Skills 2021/22 webpage on the Department's website.

### 2. TRAINING COMPLETION DATE FOR SKILLING FOR RECOVERY – SKILL UP FROM HOME PART QUALIFICATIONS

Skilling for Recovery – Skill Up from Home Part Qualifications, please note that **all training under this program must be completed by 30 September 2021**.

Student enrolments and commencement of training must therefore allow sufficient time for completion of training by this date.

https://education.nsw.gov.au/skills-nsw/skills-initiatives/skill-up-from-home

#### 3. ONGOING SURVEY ON THE IMPACTS OF COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS ON SMART AND SKILLED PROVIDERS

Training Services NSW is monitoring the impacts of current COVID-19 restrictions on Smart and Skilled providers through regular surveys.

### 4. REMINDER: COVID-19 SMART AND SKILLED PROVIDER WEBINAR – RECORDING OF WEBINAR HELD 6 AUGUST 2021

The recording of the last COVID-19 Smart and Skilled Provider Webinar with Minister Lee (held on Friday 6 August 2021) is available <u>here</u>.