



## AHC20116 Certificate II in Agriculture

Course: Primary Industries (240 indicative hours)  
4 Preliminary and/or HSC units in total  
Board Developed Course  
Category B status for Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR)

Students must complete a minimum of 70 hours of work placement to meet HSC requirements.

### Course Description

This curriculum framework course is accredited for the HSC and provides students with the opportunity to obtain nationally recognised vocational qualifications. This is known as dual accreditation. This qualification provides an entry level occupational outcome in agriculture. Students will be able to gain skills and knowledge in a range of activities and functions in the production and care of livestock and/or plants, safety, maintaining and using equipment such as tractors, chemical use, interpreting weather and sustainability. Skills gained in this industry transfer to other industries. Job roles and titles vary across different industry sectors. Possible occupations in this industry include farm or station hand/labourer, shearer, livestock breeder/attendant/ stockperson, horticultural assistant and farmer/farm manager.

### Core Units of Competency

- AHCWHS201 Participate in WHS processes
- AHCWRK209 Participate in environmentally sustainable work practices
- AHCWRK204 Work effectively in the industry

### Elective Units of Competency

- AHCWRK201 Observe and report on weather
- AHCCHM201 Apply chemicals under supervision
- AHCPMG201 Treat weeds
- ACHWRK205 Participate in workplace communications
- AHCLSK202 Care for health and welfare of livestock
- AHCLSK205 Handle livestock using basic techniques
- AHCLSK206 Identify and mark livestock
- AHCLSK204 Carry out regular livestock observations
- AHCMOM202 Operate tractors
- AHCMOM304 Operate machinery and equipment
- AHC BIO201 Inspect and clean machinery for plant, animal and soil
- AHCLSK211 Provide feed for livestock
- AHCLSK209 Monitor water supplies
- AHCINF202 Install, maintain and repair farm fencing
- AHCINF201 Carry out basic electric fencing operations

Trainers must deliver and assess Cluster 1, 2, 3, 4, at least one of Cluster 5 or 6 and then select optional clusters to total 18 units.

**Students may apply for Recognition of Prior Learning or be granted credit transfer provided suitable evidence is submitted**

**Support services may be available to meet individual student needs**

### Qualifications

Students who are assessed as competent in the above units of competency will be eligible for AHC20116 Certificate II in Agriculture. Students who do not achieve competency in all the above units will be eligible for a Statement of Attainment towards AHC20116 Certificate II in Agriculture.

NB: This qualification may change as a result of training package reviews

There are Foundation skills which describe language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills incorporated in the performance criteria that are required for competent performance. Foundation skills can be found in each unit of competency downloaded from <http://training.gov.au/>

**Competency- Based Assessment:** Students in this course work to develop the competencies, skills and knowledge described by each unit of competency above. To be assessed as competent a student must demonstrate to a qualified assessor that they can effectively carry out tasks to industry standards. Students will be progressively assessed as 'competent' or 'not yet competent' in individual units of competency.

**N Determinations:** Where a student has not met NESA course completion criteria, including meeting the mandatory work placement requirement, they will receive an "N" determination (course not satisfactorily completed). The course will then not count towards the HSC although units of competency achieved will still count towards an AQF qualification.

**External Assessment (optional HSC examination):** Students completing this course are eligible to sit a written HSC examination which may be used in the calculation of an ATAR. The examination is independent of the competency-based assessment undertaken during the course and has no impact on the eligibility of a student to receive an AQF VET qualification.

**Appeals:** Students may lodge an appeal about assessment decisions through their VET trainer.

**Resources costs:** \$100 for course, \$25.50 for VET polo t-shirt. Discuss payment options with your trainer

**Refund Arrangements:** on a pro – rata basis

**Delivery Arrangements:** Dapto High School

**Exclusions :** NA

A school-based traineeship is available in this course, for more information: <http://www.sbatinnsw.info/>

For more information on possible outcomes please visit the NESA website: <http://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/home>