

2023 FUNDED COURSE LIST

This fact sheet provides information to help training providers understand the Department of Education and Training (the department)'s 2023 Funded Course List published on SVTS

What is the Funded Course List?

The Funded Course List (FCL) is the list of programs (including both AQF qualifications and skill sets) that are subsidised by the Victorian Government under Skills First. The 2023 FCL has about 600 qualifications and 100 skill sets.

The FCL includes programs that:

- align with industry needs and workforce demands
- have strong job outcomes, such as apprenticeships
- represent government priorities, including supporting the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS), responding to family violence, and completing Victoria's infrastructure projects
- meet other social needs, such as foundation skills programs.

The FCL also lists the specific 'enrolment types' for the subsidised programs. We subsidise some programs as an apprenticeship or traineeship only, in line with the needs of industry.

We also separately publish the same funded skill sets in the Funded Skill Set List, available in SVTS.

Our review of the Funded Course List

Each year, we review AQF qualifications and skill sets to ensure we have the right Skills First training to meet both the future needs of industry, and student demand.

Using data, analysis and inputs from the Victorian Skills Authority, we assess each program's:

- economic contribution, such as whether it services an occupation in shortage
- social contribution
- outcomes for students.

We also consider:

- whether a program is currently being delivered, or can be delivered, by a Skills First training provider
- advice from industry representatives and subject matter experts, based on feedback from their stakeholders.

Program and enrolment types not on the Funded Course List

A Skills First subsidy will not be available for newly commencing students in program and enrolment type combinations that are not on the 2023 FCL. Refer to the following sections for information on continuing students and superseded programs.

Continuing students

Students who have commenced their Skills First training can continue in their program with no change to their funding status – provided they either complete or withdraw from their studies before the Subsidised Training End Date.

New and superseded programs

Throughout the year, we automatically add new programs to the FCL that supersede old programs. But before we can do this, we need:

- the maximum payable hours for the program to be published in the Victorian training package purchasing guides
- for apprenticeships and traineeships, the Victorian Registration and Qualifications Authority's approval of the new qualification as a training scheme.

The current 2023 FCL reflects approved purchasing guides and training schemes up to 1 August 2022. In January 2023, we will update the FCL with those approvals that occur between August and December 2022, and publish it on the department's website.

When we add a superseding program to the FCL, we remove the superseded program. However, we will continue to fund the superseded versions on the 2023 FCL – subject to the Australian Skills Quality Authority's transition dates for superseded programs. But to best meet the needs of students and industry, you should deliver the new versions as soon as you reasonably can.

You can use the Funded Programs Report on SVTS to see the full list of funding arrangements and subsidy rates for new and superseded course codes.



You should read the table in attachment 1 to this fact sheet – Guide to using the FCL for superseded programs in 2023.

Nominating new programs for the FCL

You can nominate new programs (that are not superseded) to be added to the FCL by emailing us at funded.programs@education.vic.gov.au and asking for a business case template. We encourage you to work with your relevant [Industry Advisory Group](#) on your business case prior to submission.

Further information

2023 Funded Course List, including 2023 Funded Skill Set List

[2022 Funded Course List and Funded Skill Set List](#)

2022 Funded Programs Report

[Information about Industry Advisory Groups](#)

Attachment 1: Guide to using the FCL for superseded programs in 2023

Is the program on the 2023 FCL? (Note those programs funded as apprenticeship or traineeship only)	Is a superseding program on the 2023 FCL?	Is the ASQA transition date after 31 December 2023?	Outcome
Yes	No, as program is current	Not applicable, as program is current	<p>At this stage, we will fund new and continuing students for the entirety of 2023.</p> <p>This can change if the current program is superseded before the end of 2022, and therefore becomes subject to the ASQA transition arrangements for superseded programs. However, if this occurs, the program replacing it will be funded.</p>
No	Yes	Yes	We will fund new and continuing students for the entirety of 2023, but you should transfer students to the replacement program as soon as possible.
No	Yes	No	<p>We will fund new and continuing students until the ASQA transition date, but you should transfer students to the replacement program as soon as possible.</p> <p>We will extend the end date for funding if the ASQA transition date is extended.</p>
No	No	-	Students who commenced their training under a Victorian Government subsidy can continue their program with no changes to their funded status, provided they either complete or withdraw from their studies prior to the ASQA transition date. No new students can receive funding.