Victorian Training Guarantee (VTG) – Government Funding Initiative

Government subsidised training and Australia-wide standard-fee places

Government funding is available in 2014 to eligible individuals under the Victorian Training Guarantee (VTG) initiative. The courses which attract funding include:

- Certificate IV in Financial Services (Paraplanner & Practice Support).
- Diploma of Financial Planning.
- Diploma of Financial Services.
- Advanced Diploma of Financial Planning (SMSF included).

For eligible individuals it is a fantastic opportunity to up-skill and gain a qualification at a fraction of the cost. Whether eligible or not, we offer competitive prices to everyone across Australia. Eligible individuals may include:

- Practice Principals.
- Practice Staff (such as CSO, Associate Advisers, Financial Advisers etc.)
- Internal AFSL staff (such as Business Partnership Managers, Practice Development Managers, etc.)

What is the Victorian Training Guarantee (VTG)?

The Victorian Training Guarantee (VTG) is a Government initiative providing subsidized training for eligible individuals who wish to obtain a Certificate IV, Diploma or Advanced Diploma qualification. It is funded with Victorian and Commonwealth Government Funding. We organize everything on behalf of the student and the process is simple and easy.

The funding is not a loan. Furthermore, the funding is available immediately.

How many Government subsidised courses can I commence in 2014?

An individual is eligible to commence a maximum of two government subsidised courses per calendar year.

What is the cost of the Government funded course?

Course tuition fees are listed below. Preferential rates may apply to candidates referred from selected financial institutions with which Integrity Education has a corporate relationship.

**DUAL qualification programs**


**SINGLE qualification programs**

- Diploma of Financial Planning - $495.
- Diploma of Financial Services – $495.

Refer to Integrity’s Published Fee Schedule for more detailed information, in addition to our Refund Policy, Complaints and Appeals Policy and our Student Information Guide at www.integrity.edu.au.
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Who is an ‘eligible individual’?

An eligible individual is a person who meets all three criteria below:

1. Are you a citizen or permanent resident?

To be eligible you must be either:

- an Australian citizen;
- an Australian permanent resident (PR) i.e. holder of a permanent visa;
- a holder of a Special Category Visa (sub-class 444, New Zealand citizen).

2. Courses must be completed by an individual physically located in Victoria.

3. Are you upskilling - that is, are you seeking to enrol in a nationally recognised qualification that is at a higher level than the highest qualification you have previously completed?

EXAMPLE: Trish is an Australian citizen, who is living in Victoria and has completed a Diploma of Management in 2005. As a result, she is not eligible to receive a Government subsidised Diploma (or lower) qualification, but she is eligible to Government subsidised training at the Advanced Diploma level.

Note: for people under 20 years of age, this restriction does not apply. If Trish was under 20, she would be eligible to study any Certificate, Diploma or Advanced Diploma course. Age is based on the individual’s age as at 1st January in the year in which the course commences.

Concession Fees

Concessions on tuition fees for Government-subsidised training places are available for the following eligible students for Certificate I – IV courses:

- Commonwealth Health Care Card holders, and their dependant children and dependant spouses.
- Pensioner Concession Card holders, and their dependant children and dependant spouses
- Veteran’s Gold Card holders (but not their dependants).
- If you are an indigenous person* (for indigenous students only, the concession rate applies to all course levels Certificate 1 – Advanced Diploma).

Concessions for applicants that meet the Government-subsidised funding criteria mean course fees payable are equal to 20 per cent of Integrity Education’s published standard enrolment fee.

Financial Hardship

If you are experiencing severe financial hardship, contact Integrity Education on 1300 400 346 to make an appointment with our course consultants to further discuss your tuition fee options.

Please note: Enrolment for eligible students is under the Victorian Training Guarantee and may impact access to further Government-subsidised training.

Please contact one of Integrity Education’s friendly Course Advisers on 1300 400 346 if you have any questions or to assess your eligibility.