

Primary Industries

Industry Curriculum Framework

(Refer also to Introductory Notes: HSC VET Industry Curriculum Framework Courses)

Why study Primary Industries?

Primary Industries provide products and services in response to the demand not only for food and fibre products but also for recreational and leisure activities. These products and services influence the daily lives of all members of society.

Working in the primary industries involves:

- dealing with and caring for animals
- breeding and growing livestock (dairy, beef, sheep, goats, pigs, chickens) crops and grains
- maintaining and using equipment such as tractors, harvesters, bailers and ploughs
- overseeing and managing farming operations
- developing and producing new products and technologies

Samples of occupations students can aim for in primary industries:

- ✓ animal attending
- ✓ beef production
- ✓ crop production
- ✓ dairy farming
- ✓ horse care
- ✓ livestock rearing and breeding
- ✓ pest and disease control
- ✓ poultry production
- ✓ horticulture
- ✓ shearing
- ✓ sheep and wool production
- ✓ rural conservation and land management



Course description

The courses are based on units of competency, which have been developed by the agriculture, horticulture, land management and conservation and other primary industries to describe the competencies, skills and knowledge required by workers in the industry.

School-based traineeships and apprenticeships are available in this industry area, for more information: <http://www.sbatinnsw.info/>

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These courses may change for 2011

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Depending on competencies chosen, full or part qualifications are available from the Conservation and Land Management (RTD02), Amenity Horticulture (RTF03), Rural Production (RTE03), and Food Processing (FDF03) Training Packages. These qualifications are available in conservation and land management; rural operations; agriculture; horticulture; irrigation; crutching; shearing; and wool handling. Your teacher or VET Coordinator will advise the competencies and qualifications that may be available.

The qualifications available through the Primary Industries Curriculum Framework are*:

- Certificate II in Conservation and Land Management RTD20102
- Certificate II in Rural Operations RTE20703
- Certificate II in Agriculture RTE20103
- Certificate II in Horticulture RTF20103
- Certificate II in Agriculture (Beef Production) RTE20103
- Certificate II in Agriculture (Grain Production) RTE20103
- Certificate II in Production Horticulture RTE20603
- Certificate II in Crutching RTE20503
- Certificate II in Shearing RTE20403
- Certificate II in Wool Handling RTE20303

* Transcript of Academic Record in these Certificates may also be available.

The following additional qualifications may also be available for delivery by TAFE NSW or another training provider:

- Certificate II in Irrigation RTE20203 *
- Certificate III in Advanced Wool Handling RTE32003 *
- Transcript of Academic Record in;
 - Certificate III in Conservation and Land Management (RTD30102)
 - Certificate III in Rural Operations (RTE31903)
 - Certificate III in Agriculture (RTE30103)
 - Certificate III in Agriculture (Beef Production) (RTE30203)
 - Certificate III in Agriculture (Cotton Production) (RTE30303)
 - Certificate III in Agriculture (Dairy Production) (RTE30403)
 - Certificate III in Agriculture (Goat Production) (RTE30503)
 - Certificate III in Agriculture (Grain Production) (RTE30603)
 - Certificate III in Agriculture (Horse Breeding) (RTE30703)
 - Certificate III in Agriculture (Pig Production) (RTE30903)
 - Certificate III in Agriculture (Poultry Production) (RTE31003)
 - Certificate III in Agriculture (Sheep and Wool Production) (RTE31103)
 - Certificate III in Agriculture (Sugar Production) (RTE31203)
 - Certificate III in Production Horticulture (RTE31603)
 - Certificate III in Irrigation (RTE31303)
 - Certificate III in Horticulture (RTF30103)
 - Certificate III in Wool Clip Preparation (RTE31403)

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For more information on possible outcomes please refer to the Primary Industries Curriculum Framework syllabus that can be found by visiting the VET Curriculum Frameworks page of the Board of Studies NSW website: http://www.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au/voc_ed/industry-curriculum-frameworks.html

Recognition of Prior Learning

If you have already completed all or part of a similar vocational course elsewhere, such as at TAFE, your previous studies and results will be recognised. You will not have to repeat that training and assessment. Additionally if through previous work or life experiences you have already developed high level skills in this course area, these may also be able to be recognised. Your teacher or VET Coordinator can provide more details of the recognition process.