HIGHER EDUCATION

ADMISSION INTO HIGHER EDUCATION COURSES

Objectives

To ensure that admission requirements into the WCI Associate Degree courses maintain the required educational standards set by the WCI Academic Board.

Guidelines

- Admission criteria are set to provide clear guidelines under which students may apply for entry into a WCI Higher Education course.

- Admission requirements are to be benchmarked against the admission requirements of other Western Australian higher education providers delivering Associate Degree courses.

- Admission criteria is to provide prospective students with a clear indication as to the level of study that must be undertaken if they are to be successful in completing the Associate Degree Higher Education course.

- Admission criteria should ensure that students selected into a Higher Education course are those with the best prospects of successful course completion.

- Admission criteria should ensure fair and consistent practices for selection on the basis of equal opportunity.

Admission requirements

In line with other national and Western Australian Higher Education Associate Degree providers, an applicant can only be admitted to a WCI Higher Education course if they have met the required admissions criteria.

International and Australian students are required to have the relevant minimum secondary education level requirement, as stated in the Admissions Criteria in the WCI Student Handbook and on the WCI higher education website.
International students are required to have a minimum English language competence requirement of IELTS: 6.0 or equivalent.

Students not meeting the English Language pre-requisite will be required to undertake and pass an intensive English Language (ELICOS) course prior to being accepted into a WCI Higher Education course.

Mature age and any other relevant candidates who do not possess the standard entry qualification requirements, and have the appropriate experience to successfully undertake the course, will be considered for admission. Each application in this instance will be considered on the merits of the applicant’s previous work experience and contributions to the community and industry sector.

Course and study Information

All course, study and admissions information is set out in the WCI Student Handbook on the WCI Higher Education website. This includes all relevant application procedures and final dates for applying for admission, enrolling and withdrawing from subjects.

Contractual Arrangements

All contractual arrangements between WCI and a student enrolled in a WCI Higher Education course are set out in the WCI Student Handbooks and the WCI Higher Education website.

Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)

Recognition of Prior Learning refers to the recognition of any relevant subjects that a student has previously undertaken prior to applying for a current WCI Higher Education course. Students who have successfully undertaken studies at other institutions, and who wish to utilise these to articulate into a WCI Higher Education course, may apply for Recognition of Prior Learning for those subjects under the following WCI guidelines:

- The syllabus content of the subject for which Recognition of Prior Learning is being sought, has been presented by the student, and covers the same content as the current WCI course.
- A pass mark has been attained in the previous subject studied.
- Competency in the subject is able to be demonstrated if necessary.
- The subject is relevant to the current WCI Higher Education course.
- The subject would be considered for RPL by one or more other Australian Higher Education institutions.

Any student, who believes that they have grounds for appeal against any decision regarding RPL, may do so in writing to the Manager Higher Education, following the WCI Student Appeals Policy.

Admission procedures

Application forms for all WCI Higher Education courses will be on the WCI Higher Education website. When applying for admission, potential students need to complete all requirements of the application form and submit this with original documentation to the Admissions authority.