

“Working in the Aged Care industry has been a great new learning experience”.

Student

Career Link

NORTH COAST

TRAINING AND CAREER PATHWAYS

CREATING NEW OPPORTUNITIES

Community Services (Aged Care Work) Certificate III

Combine on-the-job training and school work to complete the HSC and a Certificate III in Community Services (Aged Care Work).

Employment in Aged Care

Progress to Certificate IV

Further study at TAFE or University

Specialise in over 120 careers in the Community Services and Health Industries including:

- Enrolled Nursing
- Disabilities Work
- Registered Nursing
- Youth Work
- Diversional Therapy
- Physiotherapy
- Recreation Officer
- Occupational Therapy
- Social Work
- Management & Administration



Community Services

Earn while you Learn

Get a head start in your career through this exciting new HSC pathway

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Applications are also available from
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The Career Link Program

This new HSC pathway gives you a head start into a growing industry with loads of jobs and career opportunities. During years 11 and 12 as a school based trainee you will complete a program combining school, TAFE and paid work.

The Industry

The Aged Care Industry offers a huge range of careers for young people. As part of the program students will complete a Community Services (Aged Care Work) Certificate III, which is the entry-level qualification for direct care work in the Aged Care Sector and many hospitals.

Career Opportunities

The skills and experience you gain from the program will be invaluable in your future career. The Certificate III provides a career pathway into enrolled and registered nursing. It also offers advanced standing in other community services courses such as disabilities, community and children's services, and other health-care related work.

“A School based traineeship is a great way to get your HSC as well as start your career and earn money at the same time”.

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Your Week...

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| Monday | Attend Great Lakes College to study English, Maths and Business Services |
| Tuesday | |
| Wednesday Morning | |
| Wednesday Afternoon | Your choice of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hospitality • Children's Services • Retail • Tourism • Beauty Therapy |
| Thursday | Paid on-the-job training at Aged Care Nursing facilities |
| Friday | TAFE – Off-the-job training Certificate III Community Services (Aged Care Work) |

You Get More than an HSC ...

- **Earn as you Learn**– by combining your training with paid for work you get the best of both worlds
- **HSC** – all qualifications count towards your HSC
- **Advanced Standing** – into further training including Certificate IV and Diploma courses in community services including welfare, youth work, mental health and disabilities.
- **Certificate of Proficiency**– on successful completion of school based traineeship.
- **Nationally Recognised Qualification** – no need to retrain if you move interstate.
- **Work Experience** – get to know the job from experienced health professionals, such as nurses, physiotherapists, recreation staff and carers.
- **Valuable Skills**– senior first aid, occupational health and safety, helping with people's care, team work and effective communication.
- **Overseas Opportunities** – health care professionals are always in demand
- **Employment**– students are able to obtain work in Aged Care, community care and in some hospitals at the completion of their traineeship.



The Training

The Community Services (Aged Care Work) course is delivered both on and off the job. The off the job component of the course will be delivered by the North Coast Institute of TAFE as part of the HSC. Students are employed in local aged care facilities to gain real work-based skills. Students will be supervised in taking temperatures and pulses and assisting residents with respiration, feeding, showering and grooming. As part of the course students will gain a senior First Aid Certificate, and learn the importance of occupational health and safety and safe manual handling.