



School-based Apprenticeship model

About St Patrick's Technical College

St Patrick's Technical College is a purpose-built trade training school that offers a specialist industry focused South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE) and award winning apprenticeship training for Year 11 and 12 students.

Our aim is for students to complete their SACE and, at the same time, commence their career through a school-based apprenticeships in the trade of their choice.

Industry training

Training at St Patrick's Technical College covers the following industry sectors:

- Applied Engineering
- Automotive (Light & Heavy Vehicle)
- Building & Construction
- Electrotechnology
- Food & Hospitality
- Hair & Beauty
- Metals & Engineering
- Plumbing

Work ready students

All students attending St Patrick's Technical College have been pre-screened for trade aptitude, attitude and academic ability.

The College curriculum is trade focused and relevant to the industry sectors in which the students are training.

The benefits

... for students

Students can complete their secondary school qualification at the same time as starting training and employment in their apprenticeship.

... for employers

Employers can access quality apprentices who have undertaken fully accredited pre-vocational training in their chosen trade backed by relevant theory subjects.

How it works

Students commence Year 11 (SACE Stage I) at St Patrick's Technical College in February and attend full-time until mid-November. Upon successful completion of Stage I they are eligible to commence a school-based apprenticeship as part of their SACE Stage II.

At this point, the College actively promotes eligible students to employers for an apprenticeship as they:

- can start work immediately;
- have undertaken formal pre-vocational training in their trade;
- have spent several weeks on work experience to ensure they are 'work ready'; and
- can commence work effectively full-time.*

*There are six weeks during their Year 12 year that the student-apprentice is required to attend College. These weeks are scheduled and advised well in advance. If a particular week conflicts with an employer's workload or attendance at the employer's selected Registered Training Organisation (RTO), the College timetable is flexible enough for us to negotiate more suitable arrangements.

In addition, there are a small number of evening classes scheduled through the year that student-apprentices must attend. These should not affect the employer.

Employing an apprentice

In all other ways, St Patrick's Technical College school-based apprentices are employed in the same way as full-time apprentices. An Australian Apprenticeships Centre organises the *Contract of Training* and a Registered Training Organisation delivers the trade training that works best for the employer.

What St Patrick's will do

A member of our team will monitor the student-apprentice's progress and is available to offer assistance as required.

Location

St Patrick's Technical College is located in Adelaide's northern suburbs, at the gateway to the *Edinburgh North Smart Industries Precinct*.

Employer enquiries

For further information about working with us to source a suitable apprentice, please contact:

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