



TAFE NSW Schools Launchpad.

Virtually delivered courses that launch you into an exciting future.

The what

- Cutting edge virtually delivered courses
- TAFE-delivered VET options in years 11 and 12
- Future-focused skills that employers want
- Emerging and boom industries
- Contributes to your HSC and ATAR*

The why

- Develop real world skills in years 11 and 12
- Get a head start in your career
- Be ready for the jobs of the future
- Try a career or ignite a passion
- Get a nationally recognised Certificate II or III qualification upon successful completion

The how

- Teacher-led structured virtual classrooms in real time
- Connect with students across NSW
- Tutorials and workshops
- Work placement
- 24/7 access to content – anywhere, anytime
- Access to industry software and tools
- Simulated organisations

What you'll need to launch



Get connected with technology

You'll need:

- Access to your own computer
- Reliable internet connection
- Camera on the computer for video capability to engage in the virtual classroom
- Headset with microphone configuration
- Technology requirements (over)
- Access to a printer



Own your environment

You'll find:

- A quiet workspace to hunker down in
- A supportive chair and suitable desktop



Plan your study

You'll organise:

- Your weekly routine
- Regular study times
- Workshop attendance



Computer literacy

You'll possess:

- A computer-savvy brain
- Ability to research
- Skills to produce and format a document



Academic literacy

You'll have:

- Good reading and comprehension
- Motivation to self-learn
- Good time management skills



Work placement

You'll need to:

- Attend mandatory work placement
- Start thinking about interesting opportunities
- Consider the need to travel to a work placement, so talk to your parent/carer



Face-to-face learning[#]

You may have to:

- Attend a TAFE NSW location*
- Engage with Mobile Training Unit, if required
- Consider car-pooling, if this is an option



Communication skills

You'll be expected to:

- Ask loads of questions
- Participate in group discussion
- Engage with your teacher
- Use text, chat, video or voice messages
- Seek support via email or chat outside of the virtual classroom



Self care

You'll want to:

- Drink plenty of water
- Get some sunshine
- Rest and sleep well
- Seek support if needed

TAFE NSW teachers want you to succeed. Reach out early to a teacher and/or your school if you have concerns.



Speak to a school Careers Adviser or scan the code for more information.
tafensw.edu.au/launchpad

* Upon successful course completion. The information provided herein should be used as a guide only. Qualification codes and content may change from time to time, and qualifications may be superseded or removed without replacement. If a qualification is superseded or removed, TAFE NSW will make reasonable efforts to provide students with the course outcome, including providing credit transfer for equivalent units and actively programming units that optimise credit transfer within your enrolment period. For up to-date information on each qualification, visit tafensw.edu.au. * This could include school, the local library, a TAFE NSW Library or a Connected Learning Centre. ^ Failure to attend may mean you cannot achieve some of the course outcomes.
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Technology Requirement

Students require access to an individual computer with a camera and microphone to engage in the virtual classroom.

The minimum specifications for the computer are:

- Microsoft Windows 10, or later, or Mac OS X or above
- 16gb of (RAM) computer memory (may be required for some courses).

Minimum software specifications for your course are:

- Microsoft Office or equivalent (free download for TAFE NSW enrolled students)
- Adobe Acrobat Reader (free download)
- Adobe Flash Player (free download)
- Up-to-date internet browser.

You may also need access to:

- A printer/scanner to print and scan documents for uploading
- A smart phone or digital video recording device so you can video practical tasks for some courses
- You will also need access to a reliable internet connection with recommended 15Mbps (broadband connections may vary so check with your internet provider if unsure).

Additional computer requirements will be advised upon course induction.

For technical issues, please contact the TAFE NSW ICT Service Desk on:

**1300 TAFE HELP
(1300 823 343).**

Our call centre is open between 8am to 6pm, Monday through to Friday.

Mythbusting - virtual vs online course delivery

Virtual	Online
Teacher-led structured virtual classrooms in real time.	Regular contact with teachers by email, phone and online sessions to support you with your learning. Self-directed study and independent study skills are required (or support for students with additional needs).
Connecting with students across NSW.	Connecting with students across NSW.
Tutorials and workshops.	One-on-one tutorials and individualised teaching.
Work placement.	Work placement in real world industries.
24/7 access to content – anywhere, anytime.	24/7 online access to learning resources and assessments– anywhere, anytime.
Access to industry software and tools.	Access to industry software and tools.
Learning with simulated organisations.	Learning with simulated organisations.
Independent homework study in a flipped classroom model where you undertake set tasks to prepare for your virtual class.	Students follow a training plan to stay on track with their studies. They work independently through their learning resources and assessments.
Face-to-face practical training at TAFE NSW locations (some courses).	Plan your study times around your school activities and other commitments.