

Nepean Community College

Engaging Industry Experts Policy and Procedures



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1. Purpose

This policy outlines the framework for engaging industry experts to support the delivery of training and/or assessment within Nepean Community College (RTO ID: 1223) ensuring alignment with training product requirements and the specific needs of VET student cohorts.

2. Scope

This policy applies to all engagements of industry experts within Nepean Community College and ensures compliance with regulatory requirements, Outcome Standards 3.3.

3. Policy Statement

Nepean Community College engages industry experts for training delivery under the following conditions:

- 1. Experts are engaged based on the specific requirements of the training product or the needs of the VET student cohort.
- 2. Experts are engaged **only** in response to an identified need, ensuring relevance and effectiveness in training delivery.
- 3. Experts must possess **industry competencies**, **skills**, **knowledge**, **and specialised expertise** directly relevant to the training product they contribute to.

4. Procedure

1. Identifying the Need for an Industry Expert

A request to engage an industry expert must be submitted by a trainer or department head, clearly outlining:

- The training product(s) requiring expert input.
- The specific skill set and expertise required.
- The relevance to the VET student cohort.

2. Vetting and Authorisation of Experts

Industry experts must undergo a competency verification process to confirm:

- They hold **current** and **relevant** industry knowledge and skills.
- They possess **specialised expertise** directly linked to the training product.
- They demonstrate the ability to communicate knowledge effectively.

3. Supervision and Oversight

- Industry experts must operate under the direction of a qualified trainer or assessor, in accordance with the Credential Policy.
- Experts may **only** contribute to training under **explicit guidance** of a credentialed trainer.

4. Assessment Judgement Requirements

 If an industry expert is involved in assessment, they must conduct assessments alongside a credentialed trainer or assessor.



• The trainer or assessor retains **final responsibility** for assessment judgements and compliance with **Rules of Evidence** and **Principles of Assessment**.

5. Organisational Oversight and Compliance

- Training or assessment delivered must be subject to oversight by Nepean Community College.
- Regular reviews are conducted to ensure industry expert engagement aligns with regulatory expectations and student learning outcomes.
- Any identified non-compliance or concerns must be reported to the RTO Compliance Manager / CEO] for corrective action.

5. Review and Continuous Improvement

This policy will be reviewed annually/every 2 years to ensure continued compliance with legislative and regulatory requirements.



6. Industry Expert Engagement Checklist										
Industry Expert Nar	me:									
			☐ Business Services							
				☐ Information and Communication Technology						
Specific Industry Ex	required t	o train:	☐ Community Services							
					Foundation Skills	and Trainir	ng			
Trainer Profile Com	:	By Whom:			Date:					
Credentialled Super	rvisor N	lame:								
Supervisor noted in Profile:	Traine	er	By Whom:			Date:				
		Training product requires industry expertise.								
Identifying the Need		Specific VET student cohort benefits from expert engagement.								
Need		The engagement is in response to a defined training/assessment need.								
		Expert possesses current industry competencies directly relevant to the training product.								
Expert Qualification & Verification		Expert has specialised industry or subject matter expertise applicable to the training.								
		Expert demonstrates effective communication skills for knowledge transfer.								
Authorisation &		Expert operates under the direction of a credentialed trainer or assessor as per the Credential Policy.								
Supervision		Expert does not conduct training or assessment independently.								
Assessment		Expert only participates in assessment alongside a qualified trainer or assessor								
Involvement (If Applicable)		Assessment complies with Rules of Evidence and Principles of Assessment.								
		Training and assessment involving the expert are subject to RTO oversight.								
Organisational Oversight &		Expert engagement is reviewed regularly to ensure compliance and effectiveness.								
Compliance		Any non-compliance or concerns are reported and addressed.								
Continuous		Expert engagement process is reviewed [annually/every 2 years] for compliance with legislative requirements.								
Improvement & Policy Review		Feedback from students and trainers is collected to utilisation.					ve industry expert			
Industry Expert Sign	nature:					Date:				
Credentialled Super	rvisor S	ignature:				Date:				

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