

## Advanced Diploma of Agribusiness Management (AHC30116, AHC40116, AHC60316)



### ABOUT THE COURSE

The Advanced Diploma of Agribusiness Management course is packaged to commence with the Certificate III and IV in Agriculture in first year. Successful completion of the Certificate IV program allows progression to the Advanced Diploma in second year.

The Advanced Diploma of Agribusiness Management is a nationally accredited course of the AHC Agriculture, Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management training package. The course provides practical training in farming, related technologies as well as agricultural business studies. There is a particular focus on broadacre cropping and animal production within the course.

An integral component of the course is an 8 week period of industry placement where students are able to focus on a particular career direction in their chosen agricultural sector. Students are able to identify potential employers, develop and implement a range of skills and gain a good understanding of how to become a valuable contributor to a farming or agribusiness enterprise.

*This training is delivered with Victorian and Commonwealth funding. Individuals with a range of abilities and backgrounds are encouraged to apply.*

### WHAT ARE THE CAREER OUTCOMES?

Longerenong Advanced Diploma graduates are highly sought after by the rural and agribusiness industries. Graduates often find employment in primary industry sectors such as:

- Agronomist
- Research Assistant
- Animal Genetics
- Farm Manager
- Livestock Agent
- Rural Financial Service Personal
- Agricultural Machinery Sales Person
- Rural Merchandise Sales Person
- Agricultural Contractor

### HOW DO I GAIN A QUALIFICATION?

The course has been designed to meet the qualification requirements of the Advanced Diploma of Agribusiness Management as part of the AHC Agriculture, Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management training package. Students must successfully complete a set number of competencies as prescribed by the Australian Qualifications Framework.

## WHAT DO I STUDY?

The course comprises a number of competencies from the nationally accredited AHC Agriculture, Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management training package. Students will be enrolled in both a Certificate III in Agriculture and a Certificate IV in Agriculture in first year. These courses run concurrently to reflect both the practical and theoretical content of the program. Upon successful completion of the Certificate IV course, participants transition into the Advanced Diploma of Agribusiness Management in the second year. Units are delivered under topic areas including:

### First year (Certificate III and Certificate IV)

- Animal Production
- Crop Agronomy (I and II)
- Planning and Budgeting
- Animal Health and Welfare
- Integrated Pest Management
- Agricultural skills program

### Second year (Advanced Diploma)

- Cropping and Grazing Management
- Crop Agronomy
- Business Management
- Animal Reproduction
- Risk Management
- Human Resource Management

## HOW IS THE COURSE DELIVERED?

Most students complete the course by full-time study. There are two semesters per year, each of 16 weeks. Timetabled sessions are a combination of lectures, practical activities, demonstrations and tours. Part-time study is also available. People wishing to apply for part-time study will be assessed on an individual basis.

## WHAT ARE THE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS?

This course is open to people who meet one of the following minimum criteria:

- A pass in the Victoria Certificate of Education (VCE) or equivalent interstate qualification;
- Completion of a TAFE Certificate III in Agriculture or above; or
- Mature age entry (at least 21 years of age) and demonstrated aptitude for the course.

## CAN I GET RECOGNITION FOR PREVIOUS STUDY/EXPERIENCE?

You are able to gain recognition of skills and knowledge obtained through formal training, work experience and/or life experience. If you believe you are able to demonstrate the required level of competence in a unit you can apply for Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) by contacting the Administrative Officer.

Where you have already successfully completed the same unit of competency, you are able to apply for Credit Transfer (CT) for that unit. No fees apply for CT.

## WHEN DO I START?

The full-time course commences in early February each year. Students wishing to enrol part-time may commence subjects at the beginning of each Semester.

## HOW DO I APPLY?

Students enter the course by direct application to Longerenong College. Direct application forms are available by contacting the Administrative Officer or go to Apply Now on the Longerenong website ([www.longy.com.au](http://www.longy.com.au))

## FEES AND FINANCE

Information regarding fees and finance is available by contacting the Administrative Officer via details below.

## NEED FURTHER INFORMATION?

### Contact the Administrative Officer:

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