

# WAIFS Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) Application

Note: This information is for candidate to read about the RPL process and to complete the appropriate forms.

#### What is Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)?

Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) is a form of assessment that acknowledges your formal and informal learning gained through:

- Previous training and education
- Past and current work experience paid or volunteer
- Life experience

The RPL process will involve validation of your existing skills and knowledge. Through this process you will be able to obtain recognition of a unit/module and, in some cases, a full qualification.

The assessment can take place by viewing existing academic records, proof of training course/workshop attendance, written support by previous employers and by viewing procedures and process undertaken in your workplace.

### What are the advantages of RPL?

- It can assist you in gaining entry into higher levels of study and training.
- You can obtain/complete a formal qualification in a shorter period of time and at less cost.
- It can increase your career and education options through recognised skills and knowledge.
- You are recognised for your existing skills and knowledge, thus eliminating the need to repeat the learning that you have already undertaken.

#### **Process of PRL**

Step 1	<ul> <li>Complete an Application Form and Return to WAIFS (Page 4-7)</li> <li>Provide supporting documentation (please see details on Page 3) and the payment receipt</li> </ul>
Step 2	•Discuss with Trainer/Assessor (if required) - initial interview with the assessor/self-evaluation process
Step 3	RPL Outcome will be notified by WAIFS followed by detailed instructions

#### Fees

An AUD\$230 application fee is applicable to start the process. The application fee must be provided with the completed application form and requested evidence. There is no refund of the application fee should the student be deemed as unsuccessful in RPL.

Where an applicant seeks and granted RPL prior to enrolment or up to week 4 of their course, the fee for that unit will generally be 50% of the normal unit fee unless more gap training will be required (then fees calculation will be subject to the letter of offer). If the RPL application is submitted after week 4 of course commencement date, RPL may be granted, however it does not qualify for a refund or fee adjustment.

<b>Account Name:</b> West Australian Institute of Further Studies	Bank Name: Australian New Zealand Bank (ANZ Bank)
<b>BSB Number:</b> 016307	Account Number: 450885432
Swift code: ANZBAU3M	Payment Reference: Your full name and Date of Birth

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### Provide information of your skills and experience

Complete the attached forms and provide as much information of your previous experience in the business environment as you can. This is your first opportunity (and not the last) to provide proof of your variety of experience in the industry. Here you can supply examples of your work history which could include but not limit to:

- 1. General employment document
- 2. Resume
- 3. Position description or job description
- 4. Results of any assessments, certificate, statement of attainment, transcript
- 5. Details of in-house courses, training programs, orientation, induction
- 6. References or letters from employers and or supervisors
- 7. Workplace documents
- 8. Diaries/task sheets
- 9. Samples of documents that you have produced
- 10. Emails/letters
- 11. Occupational Health & Safety documentation
- 12. Copies of presentations

Our Assessor will work with you during the RPL process to determine exactly what evidence is required. You will also need to supply contact details of one or two work referees who can confirm your skills and knowledge.

#### **Confidentiality issues**

It is important that sensitive information is not included as part of your Supporting Documentation. You may need authorisation from your supervisor to use some of your evidence, so it is always best to check the privacy and confidentiality policies of the organisation. Client names should be deleted and financial figures or other personal details should be blacked out and made unidentifiable.

# Step 2 – Conversation with Assessor or Practical demonstration of your skills

An assessor will review the information you have provided (usually with you) and begin to match up your skills to the units/subjects in the qualification. At this point, you will have the opportunity to discuss and identify your previous experience with the assessor who will understand your industry experience and conduct a competency conversation with you. You will be required to answer business related questions to identify your current skills.

The assessor will conduct a practical skills test at your workplace (if appropriate) or at another suitable venue. This, again, is an opportunity to demonstrate your level of competence. This assessment will be focused on skills that are required in the qualification. Your assessor will identify the skills that he/she will want you to demonstrate.

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# **WAIFS RPL Application Form**

1. Qualification you are seeking recognition in
Accounting:  ☐ FNS30317 – Certificate III in Accounts Administration ☐ FNS40217 – Certificate IV in Accounting and Bookkeeping ☐ FNS50217 – Diploma of Accounting ☐ FNS60217 – Advanced Diploma of Accounting
Business & Management:
<ul> <li>□ BSB30120 - Certificate III in Business</li> <li>□ BSB40120 - Certificate IV in Business</li> <li>□ BSB50120 - Diploma of Business</li> <li>□ BSB60120 - Advanced Diploma of Business</li> <li>□ BSB50420 - Diploma of Leadership and Management</li> <li>□ BSB60420 - Advanced Diploma of Leadership and Management</li> <li>□ SIT50416 - Diploma of Hospitality Management</li> <li>□ SIT60316 - Advanced v Diploma of Hospitality Management</li> </ul>
□ SIT60316 - Advanced vDiploma of Hospitality Management
Health & Community  HLT35115 - Certificate III in Dental Laboratory Assisting HLT35021 - Certificate III in Dental Assisting HLT45021 - Certificate IV in Dental Assisting HLT55118 - Diploma of Dental Technology BSB41419 - Certificate IV in Work Health and Safety BSB51319 - Diploma of Work Health and Safety CHC33015 - Certificate III in Individual Support CHC52015 - Diploma of Community Services CHC62015 - Advanced Diploma of Community Sector Management
<ul> <li>Children Services</li> <li>□ CHC30113 - Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care</li> <li>□ CHC50113 - Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care</li> </ul>
English  ☐ 10728NAT – Certificate II in Spoken and Written English ☐ 10729NAT – Certificate III in Spoken and Written English ☐ 10730NAT – Certificate IV in Spoken and Written English for Further Study
Others Please specify:

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Surname  Preferred Title (Mr., Mrs., Ms, Miss)  Gender
Gender MALE / FEMALE    First Name  Any other name used  Home Address
First Name Any other name used Home Address
Any other name used  Home Address
Home Address
Postal address if different from
above
Telephone Numbers Home: Work:
Mobile: Fax:
3. Current Employment
Are you currently employed? YES $\square$ / NO $\square$
If Yes, in which occupation are you currently employed?
Who is your current employer?
Note: please provide us a copy of your CV with details of the employment history.
4. Current level of qualification  Please give the relevant details regarding name of the qualification, the year of completion & where was the qualification achieved
Note: please provide us a copy of your CV with details of the education history.
5. Further Training
Are you currently undertaking any training courses related to the qualification you applied for?  YES / NO
If Yes, Name of the Training

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Course details (if completed any units/module or current undertaking)		
Country where you are training		
Name of course and institution (if applicable)		
6. Is there any further information	you wish to give in support of your applica	tion
7. Professional Referees (relevant	to work situation)	
Reference 1		
Name		
Position		
Organisation		
Address		
Phone Number		
Mobile Number		
Email Address		
Reference 2		
Name		
Position		
Organisation		
Address		
Phone Number		
Mobile Number		
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## Attach additional sheet if required

If you are including documents in your application, please provide a brief description below

photos, awards etc.)	align documents to specific units of competency and identify key questions for competency conversation
Declaration	
I declare that the information contained in this are genuine.	s application is true and correct and that all documents
Candidate Signature:	Date

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