

# SFI30119 Certificate III in Aquaculture

## DESCRIPTION

This qualification reflects the role of individuals who work as aquaculture attendants or technicians for the care of aquatic stock in the aquaculture sector of the seafood industry. In this role, these individuals have responsibilities for the handling of stock, and maintaining water quality and monitoring environmental conditions. They may perform dives or vessel operations as part of their role.

The environments in which these individuals work include:

- aquaculture farms
- aquarium wholesalers and retailers
- hatcheries and nurseries
- live post-harvest holding facilities.

All work is carried out to comply with workplace procedures, according to state/territory health and safety, food safety, biosecurity, and environmental regulations, legislation, and standards that apply to the workplace.

## ELIGIBILITY/ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

To ensure you have the right skills and support to succeed in your course, a Language, Literacy, Numeracy and Digital Literacy (LLND) evaluation helps identify any areas where you may need additional support to help you achieve your goals.

To gain entry into SFI30119 Certificate III in Aquaculture candidates require:

- Employment with a suitable aquaculture enterprise
- Trainees must have an existing work contract

## DELIVERY DETAILS

Location(s)	Duration*	Study mode
Casuarina Remote	Full-time 1 year	Blended delivery, Work-based and face-to-face

\* Duration will vary depending on how long a student takes to reach the required competency level.

## FEES

Fee Type	2025 Course Fees
Fee Free TAFE*	Free
Full Fee	\$5,829.50 - \$7,205.00

\*This course is part of the Fee Free TAFE initiative. Fee Free TAFE and vocational education and training is a joint initiative of the Northern Territory Government and Australian Governments providing tuition-free training places to students wanting to train, retain or upskill.

Fee-free places are available for eligible domestic students who are NT residents; limited places are available, so secure your place now.

Fees shown are indicative and subject to change annually. Actual course fees may vary depending on the units chosen. International non-student visa-holders; study eligibility needs to be verified before enrolment. Fees may vary depending on the visa type. The course fee rates will vary for commercial contract arrangements.

For further clarification and information on fees, payment options, instalment plans, and refunds, contact CDU on 1800 061 963 or refer to [TAFE Fees and Payments](#).

## ASSESSMENT

Assessments vary with each unit. You will be provided with an assessment guide.

## RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING (RPL)

RPL is a process that determines whether the skills, knowledge and experience you have gained through your previous study, work or life experience can count towards a vocational training qualification at CDU. For more information, refer to [VET RPL](#).

## RESOURCES

Students are issued with learning materials and handouts relevant to each unit but are required to provide some of their own protective clothing for working outdoors, i.e. hat, closed-in shoes, sunglasses, long trousers, and a long-sleeved shirt.

## STUDY AND CAREER PATHWAYS

Further training pathways from this qualification include but are not limited to SFI50119 Diploma of Aquaculture.

Possible occupations relevant to this qualification include:

- Aquaculture Production Hand
- Aquaculture Leading Hand

## QUALIFICATION CONTENT

To achieve a SFI30119 Certificate III in Aquaculture, a total of sixteen (16) units of competency must be completed, comprising 3 (3) core units and thirteen (13) elective units as detailed in the packaging rules and listed below. The electives offered may vary between campuses.

### CORE UNITS

SFIBIO301	Identify and report signs of aquatic disease or pests
SFIWHS301	Contribute to workplace health and safety
SFIXSI201	Work effectively in the seafood industry

### ELECTIVE UNITS (select 13)

Group A - Aquaculture Operations (At least 5 units must be selected from this group)	
AHCBIO202	Follow site quarantine procedures

FBPOPR2066	Apply sampling procedures
SFIAQU301	Undertake effluent treatment and waste disposal
SFIAQU302	Construct or install stock culture, holding and farm structures
SFIAQU303	Monitor stock-handling activities
SFIAQU305	Monitor harvest and post-harvest activities
SFIAQU307	Monitor the operations of a recirculating aquaculture system
SFIAQU308	Support hatchery operations
SFIAQU310	Apply control measures for predators and pests
SFIAQU312	Monitor feed activities
<b>Group D - General</b>	
AHCCHM304	Transport and store chemicals
AHCCHM307	Prepare and apply chemicals to control pest, weeds and diseases
SFIEMS201	Participate in environmentally sustainable work practices
TLILIC0003	Licence to operate a forklift truck (credit transfer only)
<b>Unnamed electives</b>	
SFIAQU203	Manipulate stock culture environment (Unnamed)
SFIAQU205	Monitor water quality (Unnamed)

## WITHDRAWING FROM A QUALIFICATION

You may withdraw from this qualification and receive, where relevant, a Statement of Attainment for all units of competency you have successfully completed.

## SUPPORT SERVICES

The University supplies support for students in many areas, including Accommodation, Careers and Employability, Counselling, Disability Services, Student Advocacy, Indigenous Tutorial Support Services, International Student Support Services, Library Services, and VET Learner Support Services.

More information is available at [Student Support](#).

## CONTACT DETAILS

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For further information regarding student life at CDU, please refer to <https://www.cdu.edu.au/study/student-life>.