

AHC30122 Certificate III in Agriculture

DESCRIPTION

This qualification describes the skills and knowledge for general job roles in agriculture including livestock production, cropping or in the case of mixed farming workplaces, both cropping and livestock. Job roles vary across different industry sectors and may include:

- Farm or station hand
- Farm or station worker
- Livestock transport driver

Individuals with this qualification perform tasks under broad supervision involving a broad range of skills that are applied in a wide variety of contexts, which will involve discretion and judgement in selecting and operating equipment, coordinating resources and applying contingency measures during work.

No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this qualification at the time of publication.

ELIGIBILITY/ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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 AHC30122 Certificate III in Agriculture, candidates require:

- To be physically fit, active, and able to function effectively in a tropical environment, as this is a physically demanding course.
- Have a work contract with an approved employer to undertake a traineeship.

DELIVERY DETAILS

Location(s)	Workplace/Station
Duration*	1 year full time, 2 years part time
Study mode ^^	Workplace delivery
Dates ^	A specific commencement date will be determined in consultation with the delivery team.
Attendance ^	Attendance is by arrangement with the delivery team

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

^ Course timetable will be provided on application for the course.

^^ Information relating to study modes can be found in the 2026 TAFE Student Guide

FEES

Fee Type	2026 Course Fees
WA Students Only^	Refer to the link below to check for eligibility for Fee Free TAFE or Low Fee Training in WA

	www.jobsandskills.wa.gov.au/agriculture-animals-science-and-the-environment
NT Government Supported*	\$2,175.25 - \$4,735.50
Full Fee	\$7,486.25 - \$16,297.50

^The Student tuition fees are indicative only and are subject to change given individual circumstances at enrolment. Additional fees may apply such as resource fees and other fees.

*This course is supported by the NT Government for domestic [eligible](#) students who are NT residents. A limited number of NT Government supported 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. For 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, fee exemptions, payment options, instalment plans, and refunds, contact CDU on 1800 061 963 or refer to [TAFE Fees and Payments](#)

ASSESSMENT

Skills and knowledge assessments are an essential step in progressing through your course. You may be assessed in a number of ways including written assessment, questioning, portfolios, work samples, direct observation, practical assessments and third-party feedback.

Throughout your course you will receive information about assessments including how, when and where assessments will be conducted.

RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING (RPL)

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

CREDIT TRANSFER (CT)

Charles Darwin University as a Registered Training Organisation recognises the Australian Qualifications Framework qualifications and Statement of Attainments issued by any other Australian Registered Training Organisation (RTO).

Students are encouraged to submit any requests for credit from previous studies at the time of enrolment, to ensure they are not enrolling in units they may not need to undertake.

RESOURCES

Students are issued with learning materials and handouts relevant for the units. Students are required to provide some of their own protective clothing for working outdoors, hats, hats, sunglasses, appropriate footwear, long trousers, and long-sleeved shirts.

STUDY AND CAREER PATHWAYS

Further training pathways from this qualification include but are not limited to AHC40122 - Certificate IV in Agriculture.

Possible occupations relevant to this qualification include:

- Farm or station hand
- Farm or station worker
- Livestock transport driver.

QUALIFICATION CONTENT

To achieve AHC30122 Certificate III in Agriculture, a total of sixteen (16) units of competency must be completed comprising two (2) core and fourteen* (14) elective units as detailed in the packaging rules and listed below.

*5 units must be from Group A; 5 units not already selected must be from Groups A or B; the remaining 4 units must be selected from Groups A, B, C, or D or any currently endorsed training package or accredited course. Elective units from group D can only be selected where required as a prerequisite.

The electives offered may vary between campuses.

CORE UNITS

AHCWHS302	Contribute to workplace health and safety processes
AHCWRK320	Apply environmentally sustainable work practices

ELECTIVE UNITS

Group A (must select at least 5)	
AHCBIO303	Apply biosecurity measures
AHCLSK301	Administer medication to livestock
AHCLSK305	Maintain livestock water supplies
AHCLSK308	Identify and draft livestock
AHCLSK309	Implement animal health control programs
AHCLSK311	Implement feeding plans for livestock
AHCLSK320	Coordinate and monitor livestock transport
AHCLSK325	Castrate livestock
AHCLSK331	Comply with industry animal welfare requirements
AHCWRK317	Coordinate work site activities
AHCWRK318	Comply with industry quality assurance requirements
AHCWRK323	Operate in isolated and remote situations
Group B	
ACMEQU212	Handle horses safely
ACMEQU214	Prepare to work safely around horses
ACMEQU217*	Load and unload horses
ACMEQU218*	Perform horse riding skills at walk, trot and canter
AHCLSK218*	Ride educated horses to carry out basic stock work

AHCLSK307	Euthanase livestock
AHCLSK316	Prepare livestock for competition
AHCLSK317	Plan to exhibit livestock
AHCLSK319	Slaughter livestock
AHCLSK337*	Train, care for and ride horses for stock work
AHCMOM201	Operate two-wheel motorbikes
AHCMOM202	Operate tractors
AHCMOM207	Conduct front end loader operations
AHCMOM213	Operate and maintain chainsaws
AHCMOM216	Operate side by side utility vehicles
PUATEA001	Work in a team
Group C	
FWPCOT3325	Operate four-wheel drive on unsealed roads
Group D Prerequisite units	
ACMEQU202*	Handle horses safely
ACMEQU205	Apply knowledge of horse behaviour
ACMEQU206*	Perform horse riding skills at walk, trot and canter
Other Elective Units	
AHCINF206	Install, maintain and repair farm fencing (<i>Unnamed</i>)
AHCLSK209	Monitor water supplies (<i>Unnamed</i>)
AHCLSK210	Muster and move livestock (<i>Unnamed</i>)
AHCWRK215	Collect and record production data (<i>Unnamed</i>)

Units with a * have prerequisite requirements. See the table below for Prerequisite unit requirements

Unit of competency	Prerequisite requirement
ACMEQU202 Handle horses safely	ACMEQU205 Apply knowledge of horse behaviour
ACMEQU206 Perform horse riding skills at walk, trot and canter	ACMEQU202 Handle horses safely * ACMEQU205 Apply knowledge of horse behaviour
ACMEQU217 Load and unload horses	ACMEQU212 Handle horses safely
ACMEQU218 Perform horse riding skills at walk, trot and canter	ACMEQU212 Handle horses safely
AHCLSK218 Ride educated horses to carry out basic stock work	ACMEQU202 Handle horses safely * ACMEQU205 Apply knowledge of horse behaviour ACMEQU206 Perform horse riding skills at walk, trot and canter *
AHCLSK337 Train, care for and ride horses for stock work	AHCLSK218 Ride educated horses to carry out basic stock work * ACMEQU202 Handle horses safely * ACMEQU205 Apply knowledge of horse behaviour ACMEQU206 Perform horse riding skills at walk, trot and canter *

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 provides support for students in many areas, including Accommodation, Careers and Employability, Counselling, Disability Services, Financial Support 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 - Life, Health and Wellbeing](#)

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

