



Free apprenticeships for under 25s Eligibility Process

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To be eligible for free apprenticeships for under 25s, students will need to commence training in a high priority qualification with an approved Skills Assure Supplier (SAS) training provider within one of the high priority apprenticeship or traineeship qualifications commencing from 1 January 2021 to 30 September 2022, .

Fee-free training also applies to students who commenced in a high priority apprenticeship or traineeship in previous years, where they are under 25 years of age on 1 January 2021 and are still in training.

The Fee-free training will apply to high priority qualifications available under the Queensland Government's Certificate 3 Guarantee Program or User Choice Program, which funds workplace-based apprenticeship and traineeship training.

Participant eligibility

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To be eligible, an apprentice or trainee must be aged between 21 years and under 25 years of age and commence in a Training Contract on or after 1 January 2021 in a designated Free apprenticeship qualification specified on the Department's User Choice Price List. Other eligible apprentices or trainees are those:

- aged between 21 years and under 25 years from 31 December 2020 and commenced in a Training Contract prior to 1 January 2021 in a designated Free apprenticeship qualification. Free apprenticeships will apply to units of competency/modules commencing on or after 1 January 2021. These apprentices must also not be claiming under the Free apprenticeships for under 21s initiative.



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Free apprenticeships for under 21s

To be eligible, an apprentice or trainee must be under 21 years of age and commence in a Training Contract on or after 1 July 2019 in a designated Free apprenticeship qualification specified on the Department's User Choice Price List. Other eligible apprentices or trainees are those:

- enrolled in a qualification under the Year 12 Fee Free initiative prior to 1 July 2019 and will continue their qualification under Free apprenticeships
- under 21 years of age from 30 June 2019 and commenced in a Training Contract prior to 1 July 2019 in a designated Free apprenticeship qualification. Free apprenticeships will apply to units of competency/modules commencing on or after 1 July 2019.

More eligibility information at:

<https://desbt.qld.gov.au/training/training-careers/incentives/free-apprenticeships>

High Priority Qualification List:

<https://desbt.qld.gov.au/training/providers/funded/freeapprenticeships/eligible-qualifications>