

POLICY

Policy Name: VET Fees, Charges and Refund Policy

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Approved by: Senior Management Team

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Audience: UQ College Staff, Students and Community

Contact Officer: Senior Manager, Corporate Services

Related Policies: UQ College Finance Policy and Procedures Manual

Complaints and Appeals Policy

Related Documents: Fees, Charges and Refund Procedure

Application for Refund Form

Legislation:

1. Purpose and Objective

This policy describes the fees, charges and refunds relating to VET courses.

2. Policy Scope/Coverage

This policy applies to all UQ College Staff and Students

3. Definitions

Not required for this Policy

4. POLICY

4.1 Fee Information

UQ College will provide fee information prior to enrolment or commencement of training/assessment (whichever is earliest). Information will include:

- how and when fees must be paid
- how to request a refund, and
- conditions under which a refund would be provided.

Where a learner is being enrolled under any loan or delayed payment arrangement, the terms of the arrangement will be clearly stated, including any debt that may be incurred; when repayment is required and under what conditions; and any associated fees, indexation or interest.

4.2 Funding entitlements

If learners are accessing any government funding entitlement that may reduce their ability to access such funding in the future (such as arrangements that limit funding to one qualification for a person) UQ College will provide this information prior to enrolment.

4.3 Consumer rights

UQ College will inform prospective learners about their rights as a consumer, in accordance with state/territory laws.

UQ College will notify learners when any change occurs that may affect the services the college provides. This includes:

- a change in ownership of the RTO, and/or
- any changes to, or new third-party arrangements your RTO puts in place, for the delivery of services to those learners.

4.4 Evidence of Compliance

UQ College will retain evidence showing these requirements have been complied with in full.

4.5 Refund Period

- All refund requests must be received in writing using the Refund Request Form with supporting evidence (as required).
- All refund requests will be made at the sole discretion of the Senior Manager, corporate
 Services and processed accordingly to the Fees, Charges and Refund procedures.
- If a student is not satisfied with the outcome of the refund process, the student may appeal the decision by following the UQ College Complaints and Appeals policy and procedures.

| Version History | | | | |
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| | | | | procedure for this policy |
| 1.0 | CMC | | | Approval of new policy |
| 2.0 | MBD | 23.08.2018 | 23.08.2018 | Added Refund Period |
| 3.0 | CEO | 28.05.2019 | 28.05.2019 | Reflect Policy and Procedure |
| 4.0 | CEO | 28.05.2019 | 28.05.2021 | Reviewed Policy in line with VET Standards |
| 5.0 | CEO | 22.03.2022 | 22.03.2922 | Reviewed Policy in line with organisation chart |