TAFE NSW – Western Sydney Institute

Capability Statement

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The Right Choice

TAFE NSW - Western Sydney Institute (WSI) is owned by the State Government of New South Wales in Australia. WSI is a multiple award winner and progressive Registered Training Organisation with ISO 9001 certification providing high quality vocational education, training and workforce development services to industry and enterprises, individuals and the community.

WSI is located in Greater Western Sydney which is the third largest economy in Australia. It is rich in culture and social and economic diversity, encompassing light and heavy industry, commercial centres and agriculture, densely populated areas, semi-rural land and wilderness. With an $11 billion dollar economy, Western Sydney is a major provider of business and government services.

WSI is widely recognised as being a leader in vocational education and training, having been awarded in Australia the prestigious Award of Large Training Provider of the Year for 2009, 2010 and the Australian Skills for Sustainability Educational Institution Award for 2011.

In 2011, the Institute was also awarded Skills for Sustainability – Educational Institute Award at the Australian Training Awards. The Skills for Sustainability Award is one of the Australian Training Awards’ highest honours.

The Awards recognise WSI’s excellence in training and working at the forefront of workforce capability development in the region. WSI provides progressive and innovative vocational education and training to more than 152,000 students every year. WSI’s reach extends beyond Western Sydney via distance education through the Open Training and Education Network (OTEN) and Sydney West International Education (SWIE). OTEN is the largest distance education provider in the southern hemisphere. This document is also available from the following link: http://wsiinternational.tafensw.edu.au/about-us/wsi-international-capability-statements/

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OTEN is experienced in all facets of distance delivery and offers tailored solutions and greater flexibility incorporating a blend of educational methodologies and learning strategies. Currently OTEN has more than 100,000 students world-wide, enrolled in over 200 internationally-recognised qualifications. Students engage in learning “at their own pace and in their own place”. In addition to having international students form more than 43 different countries, WSI International Education, through a range of delivery models, offers nationally recognised TAFE NSW qualifications and customised training to overseas industries across the globe.

More information about WSI is available from the following links:

http://wsi.tafensw.edu.au/

WSI is proud of its student and business success stories which confirm it plays an integral part in the lives of individuals, industry and community in the Western Sydney region. Our graduates tell us we make a real difference in many ways – we help them to get their first jobs, reinvent their careers, get the promotion that was in their sights and become industry leaders.

As a multiple award winning organisation, WSI leads the state in providing exceptionally high quality vocational education, training (VET) and workforce development services to industries and enterprises, individuals and the community. The Institute offers around 1,000 courses and a wide range of customised programs from the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF). TAFE NSW courses are based on the Australian National Industry Training Packages. Each course provides the knowledge and skills required to:

- enter the workforce for the first time;
- re-enter the workforce after absences;
- train or re-train for a new job;
- upgrade skills even after having acquired a university degree;
- move into higher study in a university.

The Institute supports articulation pathways from school to TAFE to tertiary education through our strong partnership arrangements with schools and universities. All WSI courses offered offshore:

- are based on the nationally endorsed Australian Industry Training Package and the Australian Qualification Framework (AQF);
- contain literacy and numeracy skills, employability and sustainability skills;
- provide pathways to employment and higher education, and
- comply with the national Standards set by the Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA).
More Than a Decade of Success

WSI International Education is an established provider of vocational education and training in transnational Education, with more than a decade of success. WSI sets up partnerships with overseas educational organisations and offers TAFE NSW courses to international students to study in the comfort of their own country and acquire exactly the same qualifications which are offered here in New South Wales, Australia.

Currently, WSI has partnerships in ten countries for the delivery of TAFE NSW qualifications:

WSI current offshore partnerships

WSI currently delivers TAFE NSW qualifications and customised training in partnership with overseas educational organisations in ten countries:

1. Fiji – Suva, Nadi, Lautoka and Labasa
2. Malaysia – Penang, Subang Jaya, Sabah
3. New Zealand – Auckland
4. China – Hong Kong
5. China – Shanghai, Chengdu and Ningbo
6. Kingdom of Saudi Arabia - Riyadh
7. Kingdom of Bahrain – Bahrain
8. United Arab Emirates – Abu Dhabi
9. Vietnam – Hue and Ho Chi Minh
10. South Korea – Daejeon.

WSI value added offshore service

WSI works closely with offshore partners to establish and maintain high level of quality in the delivery of WSI programs. WSI provides:

- offshore teachers with professional development training every semester
- offshore teachers access to WSI online professional development resources that can be accessed anytime, anywhere
- offshore teachers access to WSI online teaching and assessment resources
- an Academic Advisor to assist offshore teachers teach TAFE NSW curricula and customise it to local needs
- offshore teachers networking opportunities with WSI teachers via online
- each enrolled offshore student with a TAFE NSW email account and access to on-line WSI library resources.

WSI partners with enterprises and offer consultancy services, which include recognition and gap training, to deliver customised workforce development solutions to improve business capability, productivity and sustainability.
The Institute has the capability to design training solutions to develop overseas education capacity, optimise opportunities in the employment market and enhance workforce development through any model - onshore and offshore, flexible and on-line or distance.

WSI partner says:

“The relationship between Hong Kong YMCA College of Continuing Education (YMCA–CCE) and TAFE NSW–Western Sydney Institute (WSI) has developed beyond mutual cooperation over the years. We have harnessed the strength of each other to maintain high standards of Quality Assurance; provide timely support for teachers and students and to link with individuals, the community and local industries in innovative ways so that the best outcomes are delivered for YMCA–CCE students. From students’ perspective, not only does TAFE NSW Syllabi provide a solid foundation for the workplace but also prepare them for stepping into tertiary education.”

Mr. James Choi
The Principal
YMCA College of Continuing Education
Hong Kong
2013
Overseas students who have completed TAFE NSW qualification through WSI offshore partnerships have easily gained employment in competitive environments, shown enhanced engagement at work and exhibited high level of performance and productivity. This has been repeatedly revealed in surveys of overseas employers who have supervised WSI graduates in the workplace.

An example of WSI student success:

【宁波日报】全国职业院校技能大赛（英语技能项目）昨结束，宁波摘得两个一等奖

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WSI Record Success in China

WSI is on the list of recognized education and training providers in China and Hong Kong. This information is available from the following links:

http://www.jsj.edu.cn/mingdan_other.php?id=220
http://www.jsj.edu.cn/mingdan_read.php?id=222&crs=#
http://www.hkqr.gov.hk/HKQR/welcome.do

WSI current partnerships in the People’s Republic of China are in:

- Ningbo
- Shanghai
- Chengdu
- Haikou
- Harbin

Delivery of English Courses

The Institute has Specialist Centres that bring together teaching expertise in related areas to work closely with industry groups to ensure relevance and currency of training programs. Each Specialist Centre is supported by expert staff focused on excellence and world-class facilities.

Preparation for Work, Further Study & Vocational Pathways

- Animal Studies & Horse Industry
- Automotive, Supply Chain, Maritime & Transport
- Building Industry Skills Centre
- Business, Finance & Management
- Community Services & Health
- Design, Creative Arts & Entertainment
- Electrotechnology, Engineering & Manufacturing
- Environment & the Land
- Fitness & Recreation AcadeMY
- Hair & Beauty AcadeMY
- ICT AcadeMY & Library Services
- Tourism, Hospitality & Events

Preparation for Work, Further Study & Vocational Pathways offers courses in:

- Train the Trainer
- English Teacher Training
- English Language
- Languages Other than English
- Skills for work, Further Study and Vocational Pathways
- High School Certificate
- Tertiary Preparation
- Adult Literacy and Numeracy (ALN)
WSI Unique Capabilities in Teaching English

WSI has developed unique capabilities in English language education. For decades, the Institute has provided the required language, literacy and foundation skills to support the diverse and dynamic region of Greater Western Sydney having the largest number residents from non-English speaking background (NESB). In China, WSI has delivered TAFE NSW English courses from very basic to intermediate and advanced levels. In addition to conventional delivery capabilities, WSI’s Open Training and Education Network (OTEN) has developed interactive English language learning resources which are being delivered flexibly, blended, by distance and on-line to students anywhere on the globe. Our staff are trained to keep students engaged via on-line mode.

WSI has well established English Language and Adult Literacy and Numeracy (ALN) Section in every college and large number of qualified and highly skilled English, ESOL and ALN teachers. This capability enables WSI to provide customised language programs for individuals and groups in flexible modes at anytime, anywhere.

WSI Integrated English language program not only teaches pronunciation, grammar, listening, speaking, reading and writing skills but also enables learners to become independent language learners, utilise freely available English language resources to continuously improve their oracy and literacy skills in English. We teach students the basic building blocks of language, grammar and text through communicative and functional methods so that students can utilise their language skills for different functions in different contexts – casual conversations, study, work, and for vocational purposes. In addition to language skills, our students learn how to learn and interact appropriately in different contexts - casual, semi-formal and formal situations through use of oracy and literacy skills.
In China, our delivery of English has been a significant success. Our students who successfully complete our ESOL courses and Certificate III in English for Further Study course achieve adequate competency in English oracy and literacy skills to enrol in TAFE NSW Diploma courses and study with confidence through the medium of English language.

WSI’s offshore delivery has been a success due to WSI’s commitment to support our partner organisations to build local capability. WSI has done this in delivery of our English programs in China. WSI has provided Academic Advisors to provide on-going assistance and support, professional development training to teachers and networking opportunities between local teachers and WSI teachers for long term networking. Moreover, our teachers and students in China have enjoyed access to WSI libraries and on-line resources. WSI has hosted local teachers’ visits to WSI campuses to observe WSI classes, meet with WSI teachers and students and enjoy the opportunity for cultural and educational exchange.

Our comprehensive quality assurance procedures allow us to monitor delivery of English classes overseas, evaluate needs and provide on-going support to partner organisation to implement WSI’s English teaching and assessment programs. We provide experts to visit our partner college, work closely with the teaching and management involved in the delivery of our programs. A comprehensive quality assurance report is provided with actions and timeframes to achieve continuous improvement.

Delivery of Teacher Training

For decades, WSI has provided teacher training for overseas educational organisations. We have trained teachers for organisations in the Pacific, China, Hong Kong, Korea, Philippines, Taiwan, Vietnam, Japan, Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, Middle East and in South Africa.

WSI has delivered TAFE NSW Certificate IV in Training and Assessment flexibly, face to face, online and in blended modes at:

- Ningbo Foreign Affairs School in China
- Ningbo City College of Vocational Technology in China
- Chengdu Industrial Technical Vocational School in China
- Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions
- Hong Vocational Training Council
- Hong Kong Employment and Retraining Bureau
- Hong Kong YMCA College of Continuing Education
- INTI International College in Malaysia
- PPKS in in Malaysia
- Hue Industrial College in Vietnam
WSI has devised customised teacher training programs for English teachers, vocational teachers and curriculum developers. WSI has the capability to deliver training for teachers, teacher trainers and educational staff at various levels. WSI’s comprehensive teacher training program offers practical and innovative approaches to teachers to engage students, utilise modern technology and keep abreast professionally. Teachers learn how to detect learners’ needs and expectations, devise needs based programs, develop engaging learning and assessment resources and use strategies to engage students, develop their competence and help them plan and achieve success.

WSI’s teacher training program offers practical use of technology to teachers to allow them become creative and flexible so that the learning experiences they devise for students capture students’ interests and environments. Further teachers work on their presentation techniques, preparation of interactive lessons and provision of learner based teaching and assessment materials.

WSI trains teachers for significant number of education delegations from overseas every year. The participants have been teacher trainers and teachers from vocational and English teaching backgrounds. The success of these programs not only have brought repeat business to WSI but has established WSI as a world class provider of teacher training programs in the region.

WSI conducts teacher training professional development programs to over 80 teachers every semester to ensure that they are kept up-to-date on Training Packages and technology.
Delivery of Customised Study Tours

WSI has hosted study tours and delegation visits from the Pacific, South East Asia, Middle East and South Africa. The high quality of our study tour programs not only has sustained but grown over the years and has brought repeat business.

WSI customised study tours provide Institute wide exposure including Open Training Education Network, visits to relevant teaching sections, class room observations, library visits and meetings with relevant management and educational staff in WSI Workforce Capability Unit.

We have hosted significant number of delegations and study tours from China since mid-1990s. The study tours have ranged from few days to few weeks at different times of the year. WSI has hosted school students, teachers, teacher trainers, curriculum writers and staff in leadership roles.

In addition to customised English teaching programs and teacher training programs, WSI has the capability to deliver leadership training. WSI recognises the critical importance of developing leadership skills at all levels of the organisation to continue to be a high performing organisation. The Institute has available four leadership programs aimed at developing leadership skills to enhance business outcomes. The Leadership Development Program is aimed at front line and middle managers including Head Teachers who supervise teachers. With emphasis on innovation and creativity. WSI leadership program offers strategic management.
WSI Courses
WSI has delivered the full range of TAFE NSW English language courses in China. All WSI courses are nationally accredited.

# ENGLISH FOR WORK AND STUDY

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<td><em>Career</em>: When you have passed this course, you can go on to study a Certificate 1 in Basic English Language Skills.</td>
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<td>ENGLISH PRONUNCIATION</td>
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<td><em>Career</em>: This course will help you communicate in work and social contexts, and go on to further study and training in English.</td>
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<td>Certificate I</td>
<td>BASIC ENGLISH LANGUAGE SKILLS</td>
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<td>ROUTINE ENGLISH LANGUAGE SKILLS</td>
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<td>ENGLISH FOR FURTHER STUDY</td>
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<td><em>Entry</em>: This course is designed for people with a minimum International Second Language Proficiency Rating (ISLPR) score of 2, or an International English Language Testing System (IELTS) score of 4.5. To</td>
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OTEN) obtain a place in this course you must complete an entrance language test and interview. 

Career: This course will help you go on to further study and training in English.

Certificate III (Also available online via OTEN)

ADVANCED ENGLISH FOR FURTHER STUDY
Entry: This qualification is designed for people who have minimum English language proficiency of 2+ on the International Second Language Proficiency Rating’s (ISLPR) scale, or International English Language Testing System (IELTS) 5 or equivalent.

The outcomes of this course include:
- English language proficiency (Level 3) on the ISLPR scale to participate in vocational training in fields with demanding speaking, listening, reading or writing requirements
- English language proficiency to undertake qualifications requiring proficiency of ISLPR 3, which provide a pathway to access employment or training
- the English language entry requirement to TAFE NSW courses requiring IELTS 5.5 or 6 at entry

Certificate IV

ENGLISH FOR ACADEMIC PURPOSES
Entry: Year 12 HSC or equivalent qualifications. This course is designed for people with a minimum International second Language Proficiency Rating (ISLPR) score of 3, or an International English Language Testing System (IELTS) score of 5.5 to 6. 
Career: Successful completion of this course will help you to access higher level study.

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<td><strong>ACCESS TO WORK AND TRAINING (INTRODUCTORY)</strong>&lt;br&gt;Entry: This course is the first step in a series of courses for further training in employability skills and can help you go on to further training and to get a job.</td>
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<td>Certificate I</td>
<td><strong>ACCESS TO WORK AND TRAINING</strong>&lt;br&gt;Entry: There are no formal entry requirements for this course. &lt;br&gt;Career: Entry level positions.</td>
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<td>Certificate II</td>
<td><strong>SKILLS FOR WORK AND TRAINING IN THE COMMUNITY SECTOR</strong>&lt;br&gt;Entry: There are no formal entry requirements for this course. &lt;br&gt;Career: Gain access to enhanced employment opportunities in the community services sector or further training at a Certificate III level.</td>
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<td>Certificate III</td>
<td><strong>EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING</strong>&lt;br&gt;Entry: There are no formal entry requirements for this course. &lt;br&gt;Career: This course will enhance your employment opportunities and career choices. It will also provide you with the skills and knowledge to access further education in a range of vocational qualifications.</td>
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<td>Certificate IV</td>
<td><strong>SKILLS FOR CAREER PATHWAYS</strong>&lt;br&gt;Entry: Certificate III or equivalent. &lt;br&gt;Career: Develop skills and knowledge to advance your career in a range of areas requiring enhanced communication, supervisory and organisational skills.</td>
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