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The Surveying & Mapping Industry Council of NSW (SMIC NSW) is the peak geospatial information industry body in NSW, with representatives from government, private industry, professionals and the tertiary education sectors.

SMIC NSW receives its funding from its constituent organisations in accordance with its Constitution.

BE A TAFE NSW TEACHER

Calling all qualified and graduate/registered surveyors and spatial information professionals

If you have:

- The certificate IV in Training and Assessment (TAE40122) or capacity to complete this with the support of TAFE NSW
- A qualification in either the Certificate III in Surveying and Spatial Information Services or
- Certificate IV in Spatial Information Services or Certificate IV in Surveying or Diploma of Spatial Information Services or Diploma of Surveying
- A minimum 5 years current relevant industrial experience, after completion of a Certificate III qualification/s

LATEST MEETING

The 186th General Meeting of the Surveying & Mapping Industry Council of NSW was held on Friday 12th April 2024 at the McKell Building Sydney and via video conference.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The following CPD and general interest events may be of interest to our readers. For more information, or details on recorded webinars, please contact the organisers or visit their websites.

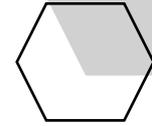


DATE	HOST	EVENT DETAILS	LOCATION
15 April 2024	ACS	2024 NSW Roadshow Maitland	Club Maitland City, 14 Arthur St, Rutherford NSW 2320
17 April 2024	ACS	2024 NSW Roadshow Ballina	Ballina Byron Islander Resort, 1 Ronan Pl, Ballina NSW 2478
22 April 2024	ACS	Misclose Monday April 2024	Via Teams
29 April 2024	ACS	Practice Managers Forum 2024	ACS NSW - Level 12, 49 York Street Sydney or online
1 May 2024	ACS	2024 NSW Roadshow Nowra	Quest Nowra, 130 Kinghorne St, Nowra NSW 2541
1-2 May 2024	ISNSW	Sydney Build Expo 2024	ICC Sydney
3 May 2024	ACS	Strata Laws, Attack of the Drones	Hybrid - ACS NSW Office - Level 12, 49-51 York St, Sydney
3-4 May 2024	ISNSW	ISNSW North Coast Regional Group 2-day Seminar	BreakFree Aanuka Beach Resort, Coffs Harbour
6 May 2024	ACS	2024 NSW Roadshow Wagga Wagga	Quest Wagga Wagga, 69 Gurwood St Wagga Wagga
7-9 May 2024	GCA	Locate 2024	ICC Sydney - 14 Darling Drive, Sydney, NSW 2000
8 May 2024	ISNSW	ISNSW Sydney North Regional Group May Mega Meeting	The Roseville Golf Club
10 May 2024	ACS	Webinar Series, Industrial Relation Updates with ACCI	Zoom
14 May 2024	ISNSW	ISNSW Surveying Heritage Group Luncheon	Club York Sydney
15 May 2024	GCA	ACT Cadastral Twilight Seminar	480 Northbourne Avenue, Dickson, ACT 2602
15 May 2024	ISNSW	ISNSW Hunter Manning Regional Group Meeting	Souths Merewether
3 June 2024	ACS	2024 NSW Roadshow Sydney	ACS NSW Office - Level 12, 49-51 York St, Sydney 2000
5 June 2024	ACS	ACS NSW State Conference 2024	NSW Parliament House
14 June 2024	ACS	ACS NSW Tennis Championship 2024	Tennis World, Sydney Olympic Park
21 June 2024	ISNSW	ISNSW Southern Regional Group	Park Proxi Gibraltar Bowral
9 August 2024	ISNSW	ISNSW Cumberland Regional Group Seminar	Liverpool Catholic Club
19 August 2024	AIMS	AIMS 2024 National Conference	Crown Perth



INDUSTRY REPORTS

The following information may be of interest to members of our constituent organisations and the general public



Association of Consulting Surveyors NSW & Consulting Surveyors National (ACS & CSN)

- **Upskilling program** - This project has been in ACS strategic plan for some time and is a strategic initiative to increase skills across the various areas within a surveying firm. The program is for: Surveyors, Techs support staff, Drafter, Admin Staff, and graduates. The program has a theory and practical component and is being offered monthly.
- **Surveying Roadshow** - The 2024 NSW Roadshow will be held this year between April and June, visiting 6 major regions delivering engaging information, training, and networking opportunities for Surveyors in NSW!
- **State Conference** - Our annual state conference, held at Parliament house, is on again on 5th June. This is a time for attendees to hear directly from State Politicians and provide feedback to them.
- **Candidate Workshops** - We recently attended a meeting with BOSSI to debrief the outcomes of the October 2023 exams. We are using this feedback to plan for and set the dates for our July workshops.
- **Business Academy** - The second session of the current NSW cohort has just finished. We have the QLD cohort coming up in April, which is almost at capacity. NZ cohort coming up in May, with only 1 spot left!
- **3G Submission** - We have been advocating on the issue of switching off 3G issue since last year, but recently the issue has been receiving further media attention, which has resulted in a Parliamentary enquiry into the switch off. A submission will be made for this issue.
- **The Calendar of Events can be found here:**
<https://www.consultingsurveyors.com.au/events-and-training/upcoming-events/> .

Australian Institute of Mining Surveyors (AIMS)

- **The Calendar of Events can be found here:**
<https://www.minesurveyors.com.au/events.html>

Geospatial Council of Australia (GCA)

- Locate24 Conference is now less than a month away 7th - 9th May 2024! Register [here](#)
- GCA have a few mentoring programs open now, and upcoming webinars in future on relevant topics. Visit the website for further information: <https://geospatialcouncil.org.au>
- **The Calendar of Events can be found here:** <https://geospatialcouncil.org.au/events/>

Institution of Surveyors NSW (ISNSW)

- Launched 3-day immersive Rural Surveying Bootcamp, which aims to bridge the knowledge gap between theoretical rural surveying and practical experience with guidance from experts in the profession
- Annual Conference was held in February at the Fairmont, Blue Mountains and was a huge success with 200 attendees in person, and over 300 people online
- Azimuth March edition - a special edition was released celebrating Women in Surveying for International Women's Day
- Contributed \$40k to fund UoN external lecturers in partnership with CSA, APAS, ISNSW North Coast Group, ISNSW Hunter Manning Group, and head office
- **Upcoming Events**
 - 3 - 4 May - ISNSW North Coast Seminar, Coffs Harbour
 - 8 May - ISNSW Sydney North Seminar, Sydney
 - 14 May - ISNSW Surveying Heritage Lunch, Sydney
 - 15 May - ISNSW Hunter Manning Group Seminar, Newcastle
 - 16-18 May - ISNSW Rural Surveying Bootcamp - Goulburn



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 13 June - ISNSW St George Sutherland Group Seminar, St George ○ 21 June - ISNSW Southern Group Seminar, Bowral ○ 24 June - Emerging Surveyors Webinar, Crown Lands ○ 28 June - ISNSW & ISV Murray Group Seminar, Wodonga ○ 10 July - ISNSW Hunter Manning Group Seminar, Newcastle ○ 1-3 August - ISNSW Candidate Workshops (Instructional) ○ 9 August - ISNSW Cumberland Group Seminar, Liverpool ○ 21 August - ISNSW Syd North Group Seminar, Sydney ○ 5 Sept - ISNSW Central West & AIMS Seminar, Dubbo <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Calendar of Events can be found here: https://www.surveyors.org.au/events/events-calendar 																																																								
<p>NSW Surveying Taskforce</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Surveying Unleashed - held Pier One, Sydney. Approx 100 Students, Teachers and Surveyors participated on the day. Strong results with 25% of students requesting follow up - work experience or study information. ▪ Career Expos - have kicked off and will increase over the next couple of months. ▪ Events Toolkit - in the final stages of development and will be actively promoted across the state to volunteer groups. ▪ Work experience - we have created a weekly plan to assist host surveyors. ▪ Software now available on the surveying careers website - this is for students to use for office days. ▪ Strengthening strategic relationships - RIEP - iSTEM Teachers Professional Development Event for iSTEM Curriculum. Creating a student journey leading to becoming a surveyor - this is an engagement pathway not study. 																																																								
<p>Surveyor General (SG)</p>	<p>Digital Survey Plans</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Work on the revised DSP Delivery Plan continues with workshops confirming the outcomes, actions responsibilities and timeline to be finalised. Five workstreams will be introduced that align with other jurisdictions that will enable collaboration with regard to development and standards. ▪ Workshops to train surveyors and their drafters on the use of the CAD layering standard and CAD translator are currently being run across the state by Consulting Surveyors NSW. Integration of the CAD translator with LRS Connect is expected in this calendar year. <p>Board of Surveying & Spatial Information (BOSSI)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The week of 11 - 14 March 2024 BOSSI undertook Assessments of Candidate Competency (Land). The week included 103 exams with 94 candidates across the range of competencies. The results included 76 competent and 19 not yet competent results. <table border="1" data-bbox="413 1525 1477 1895"> <thead> <tr> <th>March 2024</th> <th>Rural</th> <th>Urban</th> <th>Strata</th> <th>Engineering</th> <th>Town Planning</th> <th>Total</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Competent</td> <td>6</td> <td>10</td> <td>17</td> <td>13</td> <td>8</td> <td>54</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Conditional</td> <td>5 (1)</td> <td>3</td> <td>5</td> <td>2</td> <td>8</td> <td>23</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Not Yet Competent</td> <td>1</td> <td>1</td> <td>7</td> <td>1</td> <td>8</td> <td>18</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Withdrawal</td> <td>1</td> <td>1</td> <td>0</td> <td>2</td> <td>4</td> <td>8</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>13</td> <td>15</td> <td>29</td> <td>18</td> <td>28</td> <td>103</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Pass Rate*</td> <td>46%</td> <td>67%</td> <td>59%</td> <td>72%</td> <td>29%</td> <td>*excluding conditionals</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Pass Rate</td> <td>77%</td> <td>87%</td> <td>76%</td> <td>83%</td> <td>57%</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ On the 21 February 2024 BOSSI undertook Assessments of Candidate Competency (Mining). 4 assessments were undertaken across 2 competencies. Fromm these assessments there were 4 competent results. 	March 2024	Rural	Urban	Strata	Engineering	Town Planning	Total	Competent	6	10	17	13	8	54	Conditional	5 (1)	3	5	2	8	23	Not Yet Competent	1	1	7	1	8	18	Withdrawal	1	1	0	2	4	8	Total	13	15	29	18	28	103	Pass Rate*	46%	67%	59%	72%	29%	*excluding conditionals	Pass Rate	77%	87%	76%	83%	57%	
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February 2024	Formal Mining & Survey Plans	Engineering	Planning and Approvals	Legislation	Oral	Total
Competent	2	1				3
Conditional	0	1				1
Not Yet Competent	0	0				0
Withdrawal	0	0				0
Total	2	2				4
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- AMR Update - There have been 30 AMR applications by BOSSI to date. 1 renewal, 1 new notification and 1 expired in the Jan/March quarter.
- BOSSI Candidate workshop is being held in Kurri Kurri on 10 & 11 May 2024, applications are currently open.
- BOSSI hosted their presentation ceremony for 2023 on 12th April 2024 at the Castlereagh Hotel. The ceremony celebrated 24 land and 3 mining surveyors who have received their Certificate of Competency and the award winners for 2023. It also acknowledged the Meritorious Surveyors for their contributions to the profession and NSW during their careers.



Geographical Names Board (GNB)

- The Geographical Names Board (GNB) has held a special event at the iconic NSW State Library to celebrate its 400th meeting, highlighting the rich history of the GNB and its role in shaping NSW through place naming.
- Central to the 400th milestone event was a special focus on the reawakening of Aboriginal languages through place naming, which is a recognised way of preserving First Nations languages. The Reawakening Aboriginal Place Names video was screened at the event and

is now available on the GNB website: [Aboriginal place naming - Geographical Names Board of NSW](#)

- Since June 2001, the NSW Government has supported a dual naming policy for geographical features and cultural sites. To date 47 dual names have been assigned in NSW. The GNB have recently published a dual names map which identifies these features: [NSW Dual Names Map](#)
- Lisa Powell, Place Names Manager GNB NSW and Rafe Benli, Team Leader Geographic Names Victoria, have submitted a joint abstract as representatives from the ICSM Place Names Working Group for Locate 2024. The presentation is titled '**A changing landscape: enhancing our diverse communities through place naming**'.

Surveyor Generals Directions/S&SI Regulation

- S&SI Regulation Remake - We received the sixth draft of the Regs remake last Monday afternoon, marking a significant step forward in the revision process.
 - The draft Reg is 95% complete and the Regulatory Impact Statement is due for release May 2024.

Survey Operations

- Field operations for the re-verification of Dubbo, Kingscliff, and Eglinton baselines have been successfully completed. The new certificate reflecting these updates will be available shortly. This week, our field teams are focused on carrying out re-verification activities in Ulan
- Our Geodetic Operations team is gearing up to execute the May state adjustment refresh. This upcoming run will encompass another batch of legacy terrestrial adjustments, particularly focusing on areas within the greater Sydney region.
- Following the successful update of mark coordinates and uncertainties through the LX2S project utilizing deposited plans, our Survey App team is now gearing up for another refresh post-state adjustment. This upcoming operation will target several key areas spanning across various locations statewide.
- We are currently engaged in a significant campaign for LiDAR and Imagery, employing five field parties across various locations. These locations include North Central NSW, Narrabri and Wee Waa towns. Additionally, our campaign extends to Brewarrina town.



HOW TO ESTABLISH A SURVEYING & SPATIAL SERVICES TRAINEESHIP IN YOUR WORKPLACE



1. Employer selects Australian Apprenticeship Support Network (AASN)

Contact Apprenticeship Support Australia (ASA) Tabea Francia ASA Account Manager 0491 699 447 or email tabea.francia@apprenticeshipsupport.com.au

2. Recruitment process to select suitable candidate

The traineeship must be established within 3 months of an employee starting employment with your company.

3. Employer selects a Registered Training Organisation (RTO)

Contact Apprenticeship Support Australia or TAFE NSW

4. ASA consultant assists employer to complete required paperwork

5. RTO in consultation with employer develops a Training Plan

6. Training Plan delivery commences

7. Apprenticeship Support Australia Tracks trainee progress, conducts eligibility for the employer, provides mentoring and support

RTO and employer work together to assess the trainee through their competencies

8. Traineeship Completed

Available Traineeships

- Certificate III Surveying & Spatial Information Services
- Certificate IV Surveying & Spatial Information Services (General)
- Certificate IV Surveying & Spatial Information Services (Spatial Information Services)
- Certificate IV Surveying & Spatial Information Services (Surveying)
- Diploma Surveying
- Diploma Spatial Information Services





SURVEYING EDUCATION REPORTS

The following information may be of interest to members of our constituent organisations and the general public

Arts Communications Finance Industries and Property Services (ACFIPS ITAB)

- Traineeship commencements continue to improve, especially at the Certificate III level (see table below).

Surveying & Spatial Information Traineeships	Vocation Name	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
	Surveying and Spatial Information Services Certificate III	11	11	15	36	48
Surveying and Spatial Information Services (General) Certificate IV	0	0	0	2	5	
Surveying and Spatial Information Services (Spatial Information Services) Certificate IV	0	0	2	9	4	
Surveying and Spatial Information Services (Surveying) Certificate IV	0	0	2	2	3	
Surveying and Spatial Information Services (General) Certificate IV (Advanced Entry)	0	0	0	0	2	
Surveying and Spatial Information Services (Spatial Information Services) Diploma (Advanced Entry 2)	0	0	0	0	2	
Surveying and Spatial Information Services (Spatial Information Services) Certificate IV (Advanced Entry)	0	0	0	3	1	
Surveying Diploma	0	0	0	3	1	
Surveying Diploma (Advanced Entry 2)	2	2	1	0	1	
Spatial Information Services Certificate IV - Superseded	0	3	2	0	0	
Spatial Information Services Diploma - Superseded	1	0	1	0	0	
Surveying Certificate IV - Superseded	3	3	4	0	0	
Traineeship Total enrolments	17	19	27	55	67	

- Females continue to be under - represented over the years 2019 to 2023.

Female	25	Male	160
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- NSW Smart Skilled data shows commencements have increased significantly between 2022 and 2023. Over all commencements are up 41%.
- Completion rates have also improved significantly from 29.8% in 2020 (the height of COVID lockdowns) to 41% in 2022.

Smart and Skilled Commencements						
Qual/Course Nat Code	Qual/Course Name	Years				% + or - 2022 to 2023
		2020	2021	2022	2023	
CPP30221(+CPP30216)	Certificate III in Surveying and Spatial Information Services	163	150	149	216	45.0%
CPP41721(+CPP40216 & CPP40316)	Certificate IV in Surveying and Spatial Information Services	6	6	15	7	-53.3%
CPP50121(+CPP50116)	Diploma of Surveying	2	1	1	11	1000.0%
CPP50221	Diploma of Spatial Information Services			1		-100.0%
Grand Total		171	157	166	234	41.0%

Qual/Course Nat Code	Qual/Course Name	2020	2021	2022	2023
CPP30221(+CPP30216)	Certificate III in Surveying and Spatial Information Services	45	66	58	54
CPP41721(+CPP40216 & CPP40316)	Certificate IV in Surveying and Spatial Information Services	5	4	8	
CPP50121(+CPP50116)	Diploma of Surveying	1	1	1	
CPP50216	Diploma of Spatial Information Services			1	
CPP50221	Diploma of Spatial Information Services				
Grand Total Completions		51	71	68	54

Completion rates	29.8%	45.2%	41.0%
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- NCVER data however indicates that completion rates have gone backwards at all qualification levels. NCVER data that do qualify for a subsidised course and students who do not qualify for a subsidised course. These will include international students or non-NSW resident. Note, NCVER data for 2023 is due out in August 2024.

NCVER - Surveying and Spatial Information Enrolments - NSW 2019 to 2022					
Program name		2019	2020	2021	2022
CPP30221(+ CPP30216) - Certificate III in Surveying and Spatial Information Services	Enrolments	250	180	165	155
	Completions	110	60	60	60
	Completion rate	44.0%	33.3%	36.4%	38.7%
CPP41721 (+CPP40216 & CPP40316)- Certificate IV in Surveying and Spatial Information Services	Enrolments	285	255	190	165
	Completions	85	90	75	20
	Completion rate	29.8%	35.3%	39.5%	12.1%
CPP50121 (+ CPP50116)- Diploma of Surveying	Enrolments	185	180	105	120
	Completions	70	85	50	35
	Completion rate	37.8%	47.2%	47.6%	29.2%
CPP50221 (+ CPP50216)- Diploma of Spatial Information Services	Enrolments	20	20	10	5
	Completions	5	5	5	
	Completion rate	25.0%	25.0%	50.0%	

University of New South Wales (UNSW)

Survey Camp at Cataract

- We held 3rd year Survey Camp at Cataract again this year. We had a very small class size this time but were able to perfect the use of our new Topcon robotic total stations and we found some time for some UAV education with our new M300 drone. We changed all our GNSS gear last year to 4G and with the new tower closer to the site, RTK positioning was much improved.

Marketing Activities

- 6 undergrad students volunteered at the recent Surveying Unleashed marketing event at Dawes Pt.
- SurvSoc hosted a Careers Compass event on campus and invited Land Surveys and SDG to present about current projects they are working on.
- SAGE staff will host up to 60 high school students on campus on April 24.
- Staff and students from UNSW will support the Maths in Surveying Day at Bicentennial Park on 24 May.

University of Southern Queensland (USQ)

Program and Trimester changes in 2024

This is an excerpt from the summary previously provided to BOSSI.

There have been several key areas of change that have impacted the Surveying degrees (programs):

1. UniSQ transition from Semester Model (2 main semester plus a summer semester) to 3 Trimesters in 2024
 - a. The trimester model fully contains trimesters into the calendar year
 - b. Trimester 1 commences on 22nd January 2024 and Trimester 3 ends 6th December 2024
 - c. Each trimester is consistent in format with teaching and break periods
2. Program accreditation, as required by TEQSA. Accreditation covered the three undergraduate degrees of:
 - a. Bachelor of Surveying (Honours) (BSPH) - 4 year program
 - i. Previously called Bachelor of Spatial Science (Honours) with either a Surveying or GIS Major
 - ii. GIS Major has moved to a Bachelor of Science degree as a part of another school
 - b. Bachelor of Surveying Technology (BSST) - 3 year program
 - i. Previously called Bachelor of Spatial Science with either a Surveying or GIS Major

- ii. GIS Major has moved to a Bachelor of Science degree as a part of another school
 - c. Associate Degree of Surveying (ADSS) - 2 year program
 - i. ADSS Program is currently being separated into three associate degrees to cover the three majors of Surveying, GIS and Planning. This will come into play from 2025 onwards.
 - d. Undergraduate Certificate of Surveying (UCCS) - 6 month program
 - i. Previously called Undergraduate Certificate of Spatial Science Fundamentals
- 3. Significant change of the Engineering program, which has impacted service teaching courses previously offered in BSPH, BSST and ADSS.**
- 4. Removal of 'zero credit' courses by the university, such as residential schools, and reintegration of that content back into courses.**

Impact of Changes on Degrees

The impact of the above areas of change on the three undergraduate surveying programs are primarily course related, with some pedagogical changes around design and timing of delivery of specific courses.

The main types of course changes can be summarised as follows:

- No change - the course code, name and content remain the same. Annual updates will be conducted as usual.
 - o E.g. SVY3306 Cadastral Surveying (New South Wales) retains the same name, code and content.
- Course code and/or name update with no content change – a course name and/or code has been updated to better reflect the content and level of the course.
 - o E.g. SVY1102 Surveying A has been updated to SVY1102 Introduction to Surveying
- Course code and/or name update with content change – a course name and/or code has been updated to better reflect the content and level of the course, and a proportion of the content has been updated.
 - o E.g. SVY3107 Geodetic Surveying B has been updated to become SVY3107 Applied Geodesy. It has also integrated the zero credit point residential school course SVY3904 Prac 4 to be a mandatory residential school as part of the SVY3107 course.
- New course - a new course has been developed to meet future needs, and to address the changing Engineering program service subjects ceasing.
 - o E.g. Service courses ENG1002 & ENG1003 are no longer offered so have been replaced by a combination of new courses such as SBE1001 Foundations of Tertiary Study and SVY1010 Foundation Metrology for Surveyors
- Course discontinued - either the course has been determined to be no longer required, has ceased to be offered by another school, or the content has been integrated with other courses to make space for new courses.
 - o E.g. SVY2106 Geodetic Surveying A is discontinued as it has been integrated with SVY1110 Introduction to GNSS and SVY3107 Applied Geodesy, to better reflect current professional practices, making space for new course SVY4405 Data Manipulation.

From a pedagogical design perspective there have been multiple courses shifted in terms of the year & trimester offered to deliver better learning outcomes, as well as addressing some of the market demand for specific skills for students to have. The new courses have been designed to ensure students have the best opportunity at success in their learning journeys.

An additional change of all three programs is to dedicate one elective course to specifically address First Nations perspective. Students have the choice of three different courses, allowing them to select their own area of interest.

In addition to the First Nations Perspective elective course, students get 1 elective per year of study, i.e., ADSS students get 1 elective, BSST students get 2 electives and BSPH students get 3. There are some specific situations where students might be required to undertake a specific kind of elective; e.g. WA Mine Surveyors require Geology courses; so students are encouraged to be aware of what those requirements (or recommendations) might be. If BOSSI has specific content they require or feel would benefit NSW students, we can include those requirements or recommendations as part of the student handbook.

We recognise that students often articulate from the ADSS, so we have made 14 of the 16 courses in the ADSS common with the first 2 years of the BSST and BSPH. Along with a recommendation on electives for those thinking about articulating, this should ensure quicker completion for those that do progress on to the BSST and BSPH.

Industry Training Alliance (ITA)

1. First cohort in July 2024 - we are planning to start our first cohort through ITA in July 2024. This will most likely be a Diploma of Surveying cohort. We are currently investigating the numbers across Australia for both Diploma and Certificate IV to ascertain suitable start dates.

2. TAE for Surveyors - a number of surveyors have reached out to us expressing an interest in teaching. We have looked into options for them and AusSearch has offered to sponsor some partial scholarships for anyone interested to do their TAE. We have also discussed the possibility of interested surveyors presenting certain topics as "Subject Matter Experts", which would have less time commitment and does not require TAE.

3. Non-Accredited Short Courses - we will be running a number of short courses over the rest of the year. We will start with a short course in project management in June, a course on WHS safety for surveying supervisors and managers in August, and an 'Introduction to Surveying' course for non-surveyors, like office managers and admin support in August. We also plan to run a CAD short course in September and a GIS short course in November. We have an industry working group made up of surveyors and subject matter experts and potential teachers, to ensure we are providing suitable subject matter for each short course relevant to industry needs.

4. Surveyors Academy cohort update:

- The Surveyors Academy is still working with RPS Energy RTO with the current Cohorts. This will continue until ITA is approved.
- currently have 2 Certificate IV cohorts running, one finishing by the end of May, and the other to be completed by Feb 2025.
- There is currently one Diploma cohort running, which will be completed by November 2024.
- There are currently 370 people of our Expression of Interest list.



SCHOOL BASED TRAINEESHIPS

School based traineeships (SBATs) are available for the CPP30221 Certificate III in Surveying and Spatial Information Services.

For further information and details on how to apply, please visit:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/schooling/students/career-and-study-pathways/school-based-apprenticeships-and-traineeships/getting-started/sbat-faq>

SMART AND SKILLED FUNDED SURVEYING AND SPATIAL INFORMATION COMMENCEMENTS

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Note: The data above recognises only Smart and Skilled supported training. If your company is looking to hire new staff, please investigate how a trainee may benefit your business (see page 6 for further information)



SMIC TRAINING SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

SMIC in conjunction with TAFE NSW offer a scholarship program for potential part-time teachers in Surveying and Spatial Information who are studying towards their TAE40122 Certificate IV in Training & Assessment. This qualification is a pre-requisite for teaching at TAFE. The scholarships are to a value of up to one thousand five hundred dollars.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	SELECTION CRITERIA
a) Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia	a) Meet eligibility criteria
b) Made an application for or is enrolled in TAE40122	b) Academic merit
c) Haven't received the scholarship previously	c) Reasons for undertaking TAE40122
d) Hold a recognised surveying qualification	d) Demonstrated teaching ability and aptitude
	e) Career direction, aspirations and goals
	f) Teaching qualities
	g) Motivation and attitude

Applications for the next round close on Friday 16th August 2024. For further information and application forms please refer to the Education Options tab under Services on our website www.smicnsw.org.au or email us at smic@smicnsw.org.au

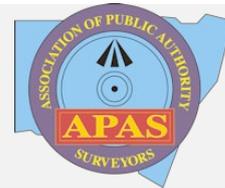


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