Certificate III in Individual Support (Disability)

Why study this course?

This course will prepare you for a job in the disability sector.

It's an entry level qualification for working in disability services, which can mean working a residential facility that services people with disabilities or for a community services organisation that provides disability services. You'll gain the skills and knowledge you need to support the personal care, wellbeing and daily activities of people living with an intellectual or physical disability.

You can specialise in ageing or home and community within this qualification, which allows you to graduate with a Certificate III in Individual Support (Ageing, Disability), Certificate III in Individual Support (Ageing, Home and Community) or Certificate III in Individual Support (Disability, Home and Community).

It's a wonderful opportunity to expand your employment opportunities once you graduate. For more information on specialties within this qualification, get in touch with our team or speak with your qualified educator.

If you want to secure your job and your future, our nationally recognised online courses will give you the confidence to take the next step in your career.

Course Structure

The Certificate III in Individual Support - Disability (CHC33015) is made up of 13 units of competency: seven core units and six elective units. It is delivered in the four Skills Groups below.

Introduction to Care Work

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Supporting inclusion in disability work

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Healthy bodies

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Nationally recognised - meets Australian Qualifications Framework standards.
Entry Requirements
There are no formal entry requirements for this course, but you’ll need to have access to the internet and a computer. You’ll also need some basic computer skills, such as using Microsoft Word documents, using the internet, downloading and uploading documents, using a digital camera, and downloading and saving videos.

If you’re new to all of this, don’t worry. Our learning platform is easy to use and we’ll provide you with extra support until you feel confident doing it by yourself. Don’t let the fear of technology stand in your way!

Working in aged care and community services also requires a certain level of fitness. There is quite a bit of walking and standing involved, and you may be required to help clients with mobility and transfers. If you’re not sure whether you’re up to it, get in touch with our team to discuss your options.

Work Placement
This course requires a minimum of 120 hours of work experience. This is mandatory for anyone who isn’t already working in the industry. It’s a structured program that involves completing a set of written and practical tasks in the workplace.

We’ll help you find an employer who is willing to provide you with work experience and support you through the practical skills component of the course. If you’re already working in the industry, you’ll need to complete these tasks in your current workplace.

Duration
This course should take you a maximum of 12 months to complete. You’ll need to spend about 23 hours per week studying to complete the course within this time frame.

We understand that everyone learns at a different pace, so the time it takes you to finish the course will depend on how much you already know and how much experience you already have.

Delivery Modes
We give you complete control over your study plan, so you can learn when and where it suits you:

Online learning
Your course will be delivered online through our innovative learning platform. It’s interactive, easy to use and designed to keep you motivated throughout the course.

Mixed learning
If you prefer to use printed workbooks, we can arrange to post them to you at an additional fee. You’ll still have to log in to our learning platform to complete your assessment tasks.

How You’re Assessed
We use a combination of assessment methods to determine whether you have successfully completed each unit in the course. These include:

- Short answer questions
- Multiple choice questions
- Written activities
- Projects
- Observation of practical skills
- Logbooks
- Workplace portfolios

Recognition of Prior Learning
We believe you should get credit for the skills and knowledge you’ve gained from previous qualifications, work and life experience. After all, why should you spend time and money learning something you already know? Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) is a process that formally recognises your skills, knowledge and qualifications, so you can become qualified in your area of expertise. Applying for RPL is easy and our educators will guide you through every step of the process.

If you’ve studied at another registered training organisation in Australia, you can apply for a credit transfer. We’ll look at the subjects you’ve already studied and compare them to the subjects in our course, to see if there is a match. If there is, you’ll be awarded credit for that subject or course.
Your Qualification
When you successfully complete this course, you'll receive a CHC33015 Certificate III in Individual Support (Disability).

Your Career
There are many different career pathways you can take in the disability sector. Below are just a few of the job roles available once you graduate from National College Australia.

Job Roles
- Disability Support Worker
- Personal Care Worker

Salary Guide
$40,000 - $50,000 per year

Working Hours
- Full-time, part-time or casual
- Shift work and flexible hours

Your Study Pathway

Next Course
CHC43115 Certificate IV in Disability

Future Study
CHC52015 Diploma of Community Services

Course Fees
You can pay in full and get a 20% discount on the course fee, or pay in instalments. We also offer flexible payment terms and government funding for those who are eligible. Contact our team for more information on fees and payment for this course:

- **OPTION 1 PAY IN FULL**
  - $1971
  - Pay in full & get a 20% discount

- **OPTION 2 PAY IN INSTALMENTS**
  - $2464
  - $99 deposit plus fortnightly payments of $95 or weekly payments of $47

- **RPL RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING**
  - $1430 or $199 per unit
  - Assessment of RPL for a full qualification.

Loyalty Discount
You'll receive a 5% discount off the full course fee if you enrol in another full qualification with National College Australia. Conditions may apply.
What are Disability Services?

Disability services provide care and support to people with physical or intellectual disabilities, as well as their family and carers. They're designed to improve the health, wellbeing and independence of people with a disability, as well as help them develop life skills and participate in social activities. It's a rewarding career with a huge range of career pathways available.

Personal Care

You'll help clients with personal grooming, such as bathing, shaving, toileting, getting dressed and taking medication.

Domestic Assistance

You'll help clients around the home with things they can't manage on their own, like cleaning, washing, ironing and preparing meals.

Social Support

You'll spend time with clients and provide them with company and support, or take them to social activities in the community.

Travel and Transport

You'll take clients to medical appointments and social outings, as well as help them move around the house and garden.

Why Study Disability?

Studying disability courses online at National College Australia gives you the skills and knowledge to care for people with a disability, whether it's in their own home, a residential facility or a community services setting. Our courses cover all aspects of disability services, including behaviour support, healthcare, emotional wellbeing and community participation. Many jobs in this sector are flexible, with full-time, part-time and casual roles available.

The skills you'll learn in our disability care courses are transferable and can lead to jobs in a range of industries, including aged care and mental health. Whether you're looking for an entry level course that will teach you how to care for clients, or a higher qualification that allows you to design, develop, coordinate and manage programs for people with a disability, we've got you covered.

The NCA Difference

How We Support You

We genuinely care about our students and pride ourselves on maintaining a positive and supportive learning environment. We'll help you in any way we can during your time at National College Australia, whether you have a quick question or need some extra support.

If you've never studied before, or it's been a few years since you completed a qualification, starting a new course can be daunting. We want to make it as easy and comfortable for you as possible, which is why we offer one-on-one support at every stage of your journey, from choosing a course to finding employment.

Learning Support

Unlike many other registered training organisations, we don't have different educators marking different subjects. You'll have one educator from start to finish. They'll be in regular contact with you via phone and email throughout your course, to monitor your progress and give you the support you need.

We'll also track your performance to make sure you don't fall behind. If we notice that you haven't logged on in a while, we'll get in touch to see if everything is ok and help you resolve any issues that are making it difficult to complete your course.

Student Support

Our goal is for you to walk away with a nationally recognised qualification, no matter what stands in your way. So if you have any issues with administration, payments, certification or anything else that may come up during your studies, our team are here to help.

Work Placement Support

Our work placements give you the skills and confidence you need to be job ready when you graduate. We don't just tell you to get real-life experience in the industry, we help you find the right employer, organise your work placement and support you every step of the way.