



FIRST NATIONS

Fellowship Program

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The **First Nations Fellowship Program** offers Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander learners a supported, flexible way to build skills, boost confidence, and start new learning journeys.

Under this Fellowship, eligible students can directly enroll in selected Sydney Community College short courses with vocational intent — at no cost.

Whether you want to upskill for work, improve everyday digital capability, or explore a new career pathway, this program gives you access to practical, job-relevant courses with support along the way.

Choose your course from Sydney Community College's wide range of practical options — from Excel and AI for Work, to Business Writing or Customer Service. It's your chance to gain real, life and job-ready skills and walk away with confidence.



No cost for eligible students delivered under ACE funding



Build real skills including digital confidence, communication, creative skills and more



Choose your own course that matches your goals and learning needs



Supported journey with our student mentors and tutors

What courses can I take?

We offer a wide range of short courses through the Fellowship — and the list is **always growing and changing throughout the year**.

Because of this, we don't maintain a fixed list of eligible courses. Instead, we encourage you to browse our full course range and choose what's most relevant to your goals.

When exploring courses, we recommend you:

1. Look for courses that build practical, work-ready skills*
2. Check for upcoming dates and times that suit your schedule
3. Choose topics that will genuinely help you in your current role or future pathway
4. Once you've found a course simply apply through the Fellowship.

Our team will review your selection and confirm eligibility as part of the application process. If a course isn't suitable, we'll guide you toward the closest alternative — so you'll always end up in something valuable.



Public Speaking Training Course

Improve your professional abilities by learning vital public speaking skills with ou...



Basic Canva Workshop: Create Designs with Confidence

Learn to use Canva and graphic design with our digital design short courses in...



AI Image Generation & Visual Creativity

Turn imagination into impact in seconds. Learn from home fully remote hybrid program ...



Accounting & Bookkeeping Course for Beginners

Improve your work skills by enrolling in our comprehensive business...

To give you a feel for what's on offer, here are some of the great **no-cost courses** available through the program — just a sample of what runs throughout the year.

Explore these and more on our website...

- Mastering the Art of Communication
- How to Start a Business
- Public Speaking Training Course
- Business Owner Financial & Profit Literacy
- Artificial Intelligence (AI) for Business
- Digital Marketing Essentials with AI
- Python Programming with AI
- Excel for Beginners: Fundamentals and Functions
- MYOB Accounting Software (Beginners)
- Accounting & Bookkeeping for Beginners
- Basic Canva Workshop
- Social Media Manager Course
- Adobe Photoshop Course for Beginners
- Video Editing Course for Beginners

*Note not all courses are eligible for the Fellowship. To meet ACE funding requirements, your chosen course must have clear vocational intent — meaning it helps build skills for work, employability, digital capability or practical everyday tasks.

Discover more courses at www.sydneycommunitycollege.edu.au

HOW TO APPLY

1. Browse our courses

Explore our wide range of practical courses — from digital skills and AI for work, to business writing, customer service, hospitality, community engagement, and more.

2. Contact our team

Let us know the course you're interested in. We'll help check eligibility and confirm whether your chosen course meets the ACE requirement of *vocational intent*.

Contact Us → www.sydneycommunitycollege.edu.au/fellowship

3. Complete a simple enrolment form

If eligible, you'll complete a quick ACE enrolment form so we can register you into the Fellowship Program.

4. Start your course — no cost to you

Once approved, we'll book your course and provide any required learning or student support.



SPECIAL NOTES

Funding is limited: this program is funded by the NSW Government's Adult and Community Education program. Places are limited and may close if funding runs out.

Terms and conditions: By joining the program, you agree to Sydney Community College's standard enrolment terms and conditions.

Complimentary SCC course inclusion: To be eligible for a complimentary Sydney Community College course, students must first successfully complete the application form and be approved as eligible. Your choice is subject to availability and approval by Sydney Community College. Some courses may be excluded from this offer at our discretion.

ELIGIBILITY DETAILS

This course is offered under the **NSW Adult and Community Education (ACE) Program** and is funded for eligible students.

Am I eligible?

To be eligible, you must :

- Live or work in NSW, and
- Be an Australian or New Zealand citizen, permanent resident, or hold an eligible visa, and
- Be aged 15 years or older, no longer at school, and
- Have a valid USI (Unique Student Identifier).

You must also demonstrate you are a student from one of the following priority groups that the ACE program supports:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people

Note at the time of application we may ask you to provide some form of evidence that you belong to a priority group e.g. Centrelink card, letter from a community organisation confirming your priority status.

How do I check my eligibility?

Complete your enrolment application and our team will confirm your eligibility to participate in this ACE funded program.