



Australian Government

AUSTRALIAN TRAINING AWARDS

Lifetime Achievement Award

Award Criteria

The Lifetime Achievement Award will recognise and promote individuals who have made a significant contribution to Vocational Education and Training (VET) over a sustained period of time.

Eligibility

The Lifetime Achievement Award is Australia's most prestigious VET award to an individual who has:

- an established history of distinguished service
- made a lasting contribution to VET practice
- exhibited leadership and provided inspiration to others in the sector
- positively influenced VET on a state, national or international level.

The Lifetime Achievement Award is an individual award in recognition of a person's outstanding contributions to the VET sector. These contributions may be a new innovation, new knowledge, or ways to improve professional practice. Importantly, the contributions should be above and beyond the everyday and have had a long lasting impact in the sector.

Nominees should have:

- made a positive impact on the VET sector [at either state/territory or national level]
- 25 years, or more, of sustained service to VET
- earned recognition by other industry, training, education or employer groups;
- the respect of professional peers
- general acknowledgement as having reached a pinnacle of their profession or industry;
- demonstrated, over an extended period of time a contribution which has included either research, industry achievement, professional leadership and service to the VET community
- personal integrity.

Nominees:

- do not need to be currently working in the VET sector to be eligible for this award; and
- should be permanent residents of Australia

Selection of the nominee is made on the basis of the candidate's significant, fundamental contributions to the VET sector (whether in research, leadership, mentorship or other); the lasting impact of these contributions to the sector; and the demonstration of a lifetime commitment to VET.

Preparing the application

Section A: Overview

Provide a short overview of the person, their achievements and the reason for the nomination.

Section B: Applicants will be assessed against the following criteria

Criterion 1: History of Service

Criterion 2: Significant contribution and positive influence on the VET sector

Criterion 3: Leadership

Addressing the criteria

Criterion 1: History of service

The nominee's history of service to the VET sector - in particular, positions of leadership the nominee has held such as on boards or as chair of committees. Any other known history, such as participation on committees and workgroups, and any examples of the nominee representing VET sector officially as a liaison to other organisations or at state or national meetings.

Criterion 2: Significant contribution and positive influence on the VET sector

The nominee's significant contribution(s) to the advancement of vocational education and training practice, including teaching or training positions or programs, awards or recognition from professional or industry groups and institutions, innovative approaches to difficulties. How will the nominee's story inspire others to higher standards in their work or to raise the communities' perception of the VET sector?

Criterion 3: Leadership

The nominee's leadership in the field of vocational education and training including, but not limited to, positively influencing policy or practice on a state, national or international level. This may include Government committees and workgroups, advocacy, senior positions, other training, mentoring or committee participation. How have they "made a difference" in some way?