

ABOUT APTC

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APPLICATION PROCESS

Apply by completing the online application form www.aptc.edu.au/courses/applying-for-a-course You will need a valid email address to register an account. For other application options you can download, complete and submit the application forms to APTC through:

Email: enquiries@aptc.edu.au

Post: APTC Regional Head Office, PO Box 14319, Suva, Fiji

Person: Deliver to your local APTC Office.

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CHC33015 Certificate III in Individual Support (Ageing, Home and Community)

COURSE OVERVIEW

The CHC33015 Certificate III in Individual Support (Ageing, Home and Community) course prepares graduates for working in the Aged Care industry. This involves work caring for older people in residential aged care services or in home care situations. This may include living or personal care services according to individualised plans. An aged care worker works directly with clients but always under supervision.

Those interested in working in Aged Care should note that this is a rewarding yet physically demanding career. Aged care makes a difference to people's lives and has many different career pathways as you grow professionally. Yet it is also worth remembering that aged care workers need to do a lot of kneeling, pushing, pulling and standing for long periods in their day to day work which requires physical strength, fitness and stamina. Many employers will require candidates to undertake a medical prior to being offered a position, so it is recommended that students build and maintain their physical health and fitness.

Possible career opportunities for graduates include: nursing or home care assistant, personal care worker or assistant, residential care worker, care assistant, in-home respite worker, community care worker, accommodation or community support worker and support worker.

COURSE DELIVERY

Location: Fiji

Duration: Course duration is 22 weeks full time including one-week mid semester break. Students will attend classes for a minimum of 5 days per week. Additional out-of-hours study time will be required.

Delivery Mode: Face to face and work placement. Training will be delivered in English and incorporates language, literacy and numeracy (LLN) support.

Course Fees: The course fee is FJD2,100. The fee includes learning resources, stationery and uniform.

The Australian Government subsidises the cost of the course including materials and consumables.

Course fees are subject to change without prior notification. For current fees visit:

<https://www.aptc.edu.au/courses/course-fees>

Entry Requirements:

- ✓ Be 18 years of age or older (note that the PALM Scheme requires candidates to be over 21 years of age for employment purposes in Australia)
- ✓ Citizen of a Pacific Island Forum country
- ✓ Have significant prior industry experience (more than one year) in the area in which they wish to train or have a local qualification and limited relevant industry experience (up to one year) in the area in which they wish to train
- ✓ Complete the Language, Literacy and Numeracy Assessment and Vocational Knowledge Assessment

Applicants may apply for recognition of prior learning. For further information visit:

<https://www.aptc.edu.au/students/recognition-of-prior-learning>

**Courses offered, course dates and fees may vary depending upon student and industry demand.*

COURSE CONTENT

The CHC33015 Certificate III in Individual Support will cover the following units of competency:

Unit Code	Unit Title
Core Units	
CHCCCS015	Provide Individualised Support
CHCCCS023	Support independence and well being
CHCCOM005	Communicate and work in health or community services
CHCDIV001	Work with diverse people
CHCLEG001	Work legally and ethically
HLTAAP001	Recognise healthy body systems
HLTWHS002	Follow safe work practices for direct client care
Set Electives	
CHCAGE001	Facilitate the empowerment of older people
CHCAGE005	Provide support to people living with dementia
CHCCCS011	Meet personal support needs
CHCCCS025	Support relationships with carers and families
CHCHCS001	Provide home and community support services
HLTINF001	Comply with infection prevention and control policies and procedures

****Bold Font** indicates core units; Standard font indicates electives - 7 core plus 6 electives units*

**Please note; elective units of competency may vary from campus to campus depending on local industry needs.*

Vocational Placement:

As part of this qualification you are required to complete 120 hours of vocational placement. This will be organised by APTC and these hours are to be completed within the aged care industry. This is an opportunity for students to practise the skills and knowledge learnt in a supported environment.

You may be required to work a combination of day and afternoon shifts to complete these vocational placement hours. Completing placement is compulsory, and you will be expected to manage family and work commitments in order to complete your shifts.

Note: It is a requirement for this qualification to complete a criminal history check.

Graduates of this course will receive an internationally recognised Australian Qualification issued through TAFE Queensland (RTO 0275).