



START YOUR PLUMBING CAREER TODAY.



Training & Apprenticeship Employment
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Complete your Pre-Apprenticeship and Apprenticeship at MPA Skills and you will be on your way to becoming a licensed plumber.

MPA Skills is a Registered Training Organisation [RTO], Group Training Organisation [GTO] and Western Australia's largest provider of specialised apprentice programs.

Renowned for producing the state's best tradesmen and women, each year MPA Skills delivers a substantial number of plumbing and painting apprentices to the industry, and trains more than 1,200 students with its multiple pre-apprenticeship and apprenticeship programs.

MPA Skills Apprentice Employment

Central and unique to MPA Skills Apprentice Employment success is the management of its apprentices by professional Field Officers. These Field Officers are experienced plumbers who have the responsibility of monitoring, supporting and mentoring the students through placement with Host Employers. Apprentices also have the opportunity to



be employed by MPA Skills Apprenticeship Employment for a Host Employer.

These Host Employers are supported by MPA Skills Apprentice Employment Field Officers, who monitor the development of the apprentice, and also deal with any administration issues such as payroll; superannuation; holidays; work, health and safety issues; and technical training scheduling.

Parents and carers also have peace-of-mind knowing that all MPA Skills programs prepare students for a lifelong trade by putting safety first, providing excellence in industry training, and providing additional assistance with literacy and

numeracy skills when necessary, so students can achieve fulfilling and successful careers.

MPA Skills Registered Training Organisation [RTO]

Training is undertaken in specifically designed buildings in Maylands and Jandakot. The campuses are conveniently located close to local train stations and other public transport facilities.

MPA Skills is an industry-focused and industry-driven organisation that provides career-long training from school-based 'Try-A-Trade' and Certificate II programs, pre-apprenticeships, apprenticeships right through to advanced course training.

Courses

There are a number of different pathways you can pursue to become a licensed plumber so talk to your VET Coordinator if still at school, potential employers, or visit mpaskills.com.au to find out what works best for you.

TRY-A-TRADE

'Try-A-Trade' works in partnership with selected secondary colleges and schools, providing Year 9 and Year 10 students with the opportunity to try plumbing, as well as talk to apprentices and tradespeople in the industry.

Additionally, students can complete a Pre-Apprenticeship program, which then fast-tracks them towards an Apprenticeship.

PRE-APPRENTICESHIP

Building & Construction Certificate II: Plumbing [National ID: 52700WA]

Depending on your age, you can either complete a school-based Pre-Apprenticeship course at a participating secondary college or school or at MPA Skills.

By completing a Pre-Apprenticeship course [*Building & Construction Certificate II Plumbing*] you will be well on the way to becoming an apprentice plumber, and harnessing the necessary skills that are highly sought after in the building and construction industry.

The Pre-Apprenticeship course is offered throughout the year and

covers areas such as interpreting plans; taking measurements; use hand and power tools; learn welding and sheet metal skills; workplace safety and time management.

How to apply

- 🔧 To find out when the next Pre-Apprenticeship course is available, call MPA Skills on 08 9471 6600 or visit mpaskills.com.au
- 🔧 Complete an MPA Skills Enrolment Form available at mpaskills.com.au
- 🔧 Create a Unique Student Identifier Number [USI] by visiting usi.gov.au
- 🔧 Provide a cover letter and resume
- 🔧 Provide a copy of your Birth Certificate
- 🔧 Provide a copy of a Concession Card [if applicable]
- 🔧 'Notice of Arrangement' or 'Exemption' form [if applicable]
- 🔧 Read the MPA Skills Student Handbook
- 🔧 Email the above to preapps@mpaskills.com.au

Successful applicants will be invited to attend an interview with an MPA Skills trainer. At the interview, you will be asked to complete an aptitude test, which includes some basic maths and

English questions [calculators are supplied].

Fees

Fees may vary due to government funding and requirements. Please contact MPA Skills for indicative fees.

Once you have successfully completed the Pre-Apprenticeship course, you will be well placed to pursue an apprenticeship within this trade area.

APPRENTICESHIP

Certificate III: Plumbing [National ID: CPC32413]

The standard apprenticeship pathway usually involves a four-year term. MPA Skills works closely with your employer and you will attend a number of training blocks at a state-of-the-art training facility for the duration of the apprenticeship. This training will provide you with all the necessary skills and knowledge to work as a licensed plumber in the building and construction industry.

You will learn how to install [or repair] pipework and appliances in residential, commercial and industrial settings, as well as

deal with water supply and waste issues; understand work health and safety and time management.

How to apply

Once you have secured an apprenticeship, either through MPA Skills GTO or direct indenture, your employer will contact one of the Australian Apprenticeship Support Network providers, who will discuss the terms of the apprenticeship contract with you

and your employer. At this point you can nominate MPA Skills as your preferred RTO. Your contract will be lodged with the Apprenticeship Office, who will then notify MPA Skills that your contract has been assigned to them. MPA Skills will then be in touch to discuss your Training Plan.

Once you have successfully completed your plumbing apprenticeship you can apply for a Plumbing Licence and run your own business or work in related

fields such as trades sales and project management. The possibilities are endless.

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My Story

I wasn't sure what I wanted to do when I left school so I tried a 14-week plumbing pre-apprenticeship course at MPA Skills.

During this time I developed a passion for plumbing and continued on to start an apprenticeship. The training I received at MPA Skills was great as all of the teachers were plumbers themselves so they taught us real hands-on practical knowledge.

I liked the training side of things so much that I became a licensed plumber and qualified, full-time trainer.

Micheal Fredericks

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MPA Skills Full-Time Trainer*



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