

# *Viticulture and Winemaking*



## About NMIT

NMIT is the largest vocational education and training institute in Melbourne's northern region.

The Institute occupies six metropolitan campuses – Preston, Collingwood, Epping, Fairfield, Greensborough and Heidelberg, and a regional campus at Ararat. In addition, NMIT has six training centres – Northern AMEP Centre (Broadmeadows), Northern Lodge – Eden Park (horse stud)-, Northern Lodge – Yan Yean (broadacre farm) , Growling Frog Vineyard , Yarra Glen Racing Centre (vineyard) and NMIT Kyneton Park (vocational training centre).

NMIT has over 947 teaching and support staff spread across seven faculties – Arts and Social Sciences, Business, Engineering, Hospitality, Tourism and Personal Services, Building and Construction, Earth Sciences, and Further Education.

NMIT is currently accredited to deliver approximately 550 nationally accredited courses and approximately 410 Institute accredited courses. In 2011, the Institute's course enrolments totaled 67,561 (44,502 – enrolments within Australia, 23,059 – offshore enrolments).

NMIT is also a major provider of training outside Australia. Training is currently delivered in China, Singapore, Malaysia, India, Pakistan, Hong Kong, Bangladesh, Columbia, Republic of Korea and in New Zealand.

For more detailed information about NMIT and its vocational education and training courses, log on to [www.nmit.edu.au](http://www.nmit.edu.au)



# The Faculty of Earth Sciences

Earth Sciences is the most diverse of NMIT's seven faculties and incorporates the departments of Agriculture and Animal Science and Horticulture.

The faculty is known for its practical approach to training and has a significant involvement with industry in the design and delivery of courses.

Spread over four campuses (Epping, Fairfield, Greensborough and Ararat) and training centres at Eden Park, Yan Yean, Yarra Glen and Kyneton, the faculty delivers education and training from certificate to degree level. Earth Sciences also offers a number of short courses and provides training and contract services to a broad range of industries and businesses.

The faculty's fee for service activities incorporate a significant number of international programs and includes training delivery to the Hong Kong Jockey Club.



# Your journey in Viticulture and Winemaking starts here

Australia has now established a profile internationally as a producer of quality wines. With the domestic population's continued support and appreciation of the local product, the wine industry will remain a popular employment destination.

Career pathways and employment opportunities for people with the required knowledge, skills and qualifications are varied. They include positions such as cellar door operator, vineyard/winery manager, technical assistant, laboratory technician, winemaker assistant, vine/viticulture educator, wine marketer, wine retailer or wine exporter.

**Courses in Viticulture and Winemaking currently offered by NMIT are:**

- Bachelor of Viticulture and Winemaking
- Certificate II in Food Processing (Wine)
  - Cellar Door Sales, Cellar Operations and Wine Grape Growing streams
- Introduction to Wine Grape Growing
- Certificate III in Food Processing (Wine)
  - Cellar Door Sales, Cellar Operations and Wine Grape Growing streams
- Diploma of Production Horticulture.



# Recognition of Prior Learning

If you have been working in the wine industry for some time and have acquired the necessary knowledge and skills needed to advance your career but don't have the right recognised qualification, NMIT's Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) process may help you.

RPL is about recognising the skills, knowledge and experience you have and making them count toward an accepted industry qualification.

## The RPL application process

With a one-on-one consultation, NMIT can help you to identify the right industry recognised qualification to move your career forward. During this interview, we can start the skills recognition process by identifying the skills and knowledge you have acquired through formal or informal education and training, work and life experience.

As part of the process, you will need to provide appropriate evidence to support your RPL application. This evidence can include:

- a letter from your current employer or references from past employers stating your skills and knowledge
- supplier or client references (if you are self employed)
- business plans and records that relate to your enterprise
- certificates of completion in similar fields of study or statements of results for partially or fully completed courses
- participation certificates, letters of recommendation or commendation
- details of training sessions, seminars or workshops you have attended
- position descriptions or performance appraisals
- evidence of membership of relevant professional organisations
- photographic evidence, copies of plans and specifications from current or past work projects.

## Gap training

If, after assessment, there is a need for you to undertake some additional formal training to gain the necessary competence for your qualification then NMIT can assist by outlining the options available to you.

## More information

More detailed information about the courses and the RPL process referred to in this brochure can be obtained from:

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These courses are nationally recognised. NMIT recognises the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) qualifications and statements of attainment from any other RTO.

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