

ReadySkills Program Overview

Find out how we can help you build all
Australians into confident, competent
adults.



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Welcome Message

Thank you for taking the time to learn more about ReadySkills. We are genuinely grateful that you're here.

At ReadySkills, we believe that everyone—regardless of age, background, or circumstance—deserves the opportunity to build the practical skills needed to thrive in life. Our programs were developed in collaboration with industry professionals, educators, and most importantly, learners themselves. We identified the gaps. We listened to real stories. And we responded with purpose.

Our content is created for learners, by learners. It's inclusive, engaging, and designed to meet people where they are—whether they're preparing for their first job, returning to the workforce, or simply gaining confidence in everyday responsibilities. Accessibility and impact drive everything we do. We've designed our workshops to be hands-on, relevant, and adaptable. We're proud to offer programs that are not only affordable but meaningful—delivered without hidden costs or ongoing subscriptions.

We're committed to making life skills education practical, inclusive, and empowering. Thank you for considering ReadySkills—we hope to work alongside you to support confident, capable individuals ready to take on life.

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FOUNDER OF READYSKILLS



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More About Us

The Roots

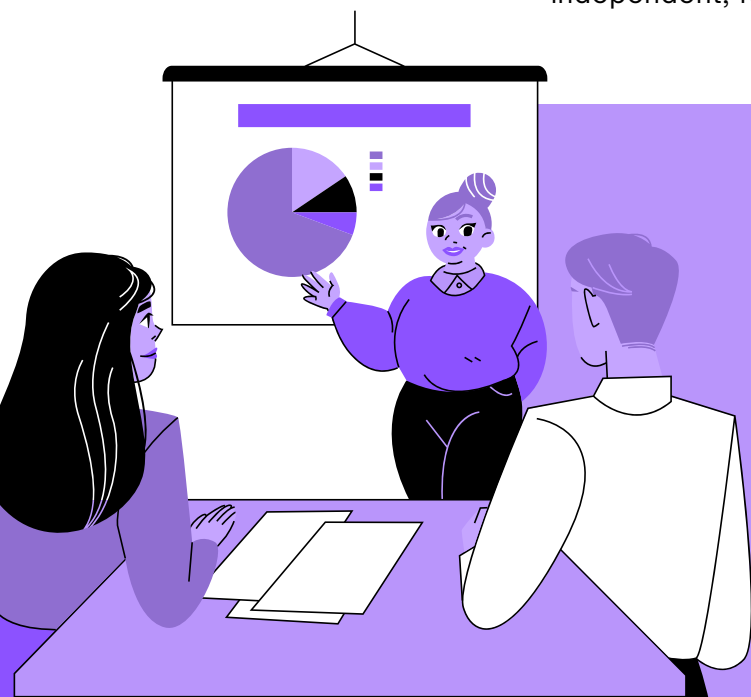
ReadySkills was founded on a simple but powerful belief: that everyone deserves access to the practical skills that help them thrive—not just in the classroom or workplace, but in life. Born from firsthand experience in both industry and education, ReadySkills emerged as a response to the growing gap between formal learning and real-world readiness.

Our Mission

Our mission is to empower learners of all ages with the essential life skills they need to thrive—personally, professionally, and independently. We do this through engaging, hands-on workshops designed to be practical, inclusive, and tailored to real-world challenges. Whether it's managing money, communicating with confidence, or preparing for emergencies, our programs are built to support the whole person—not just their career pathway.

Our Goals

We're committed to working in partnership with schools, GTOs, employers, and community organisations to embed these essential skills into education and training pathways. By challenging outdated narratives around vocational learning and promoting the value of skilled careers, we aim to help families and educators see the full spectrum of opportunity. Above all, we strive to inspire lifelong learning—supporting people not just as workers or students, but as whole individuals building independent, fulfilling futures.



Why is it Important?

1. Bridges the Gap Between Education and Real Life

Many learners leave school or training with qualifications, but not the everyday skills they need to manage life independently. ReadySkills fills that gap by delivering practical, hands-on workshops in areas like budgeting, communication, mental health, and crisis management. These skills aren't just "nice to have"—they're essential for navigating adulthood with confidence. By addressing what's often missing in traditional education, we help learners build real-world readiness.

2. Supports Learners at Every Stage

ReadySkills is designed to be flexible and inclusive, meeting learners where they are—whether they're high school students preparing for independence, apprentices learning to juggle work and life, or adults changing careers later in life. Our programs are adaptable to the learner's stage, needs, and lived experience. This personalised approach ensures that everyone, regardless of age or background, can access the tools and support they need to thrive.

3. Empowers Confidence and Capability

We focus on more than just delivering information—we build confidence. ReadySkills workshops are facilitated with empathy and energy, creating a safe, engaging space where learners feel seen, heard, and supported. Our goal is to help people believe in themselves and their ability to take charge of their own lives. This sense of empowerment is often what makes the biggest difference in helping someone move from surviving to thriving.

4. Strengthens Communities Through Life Skills

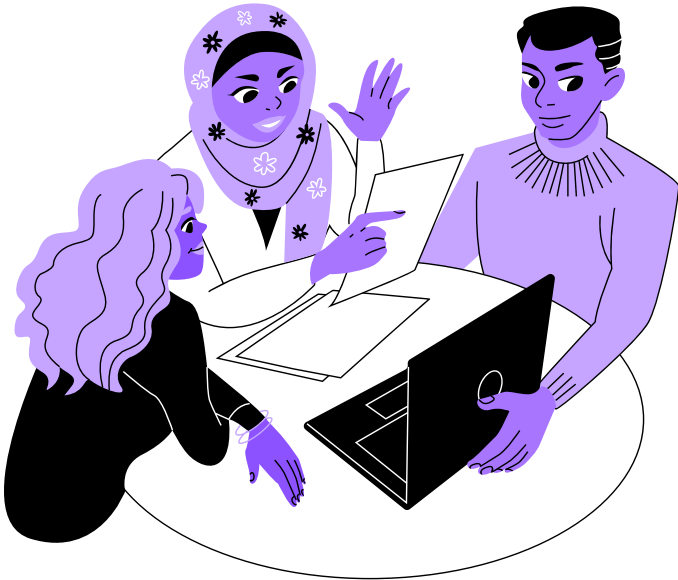
When individuals are equipped with practical life skills, the benefits ripple outward—into families, workplaces, and communities. From financial literacy that reduces stress at home, to communication skills that improve relationships and job performance, ReadySkills strengthens not just individuals but the systems around them. By investing in life readiness, we're helping build more resilient, informed, and capable communities across Australia.



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What's covered?



- ✓ Understanding Pathways
- ✓ Mock Interviews
- ✓ HECS Debt and Costs
- ✓ Headshots
- ✓ Understanding Skills
- ✓ Tax and Superannuation
- ✓ Resume Writing

1 Pathway Planning

Helps learners understand the wide range of career options, from university and TAFE to apprenticeships and direct employment, empowering them to make informed choices. This guidance builds confidence in their next steps, reducing uncertainty about the future.

3 Financial Literacy for Work

Introduces critical financial topics like tax, superannuation, and HECS debt, building a strong foundation for financial independence. Understanding these essentials reduces financial stress and sets learners up for long-term success.

2 Job Application Confidence

Prepares participants for the workforce with practical skills like resume writing, mock interviews, and professional headshots, boosting employability. These hands-on experiences reduce anxiety and improve performance in real-world hiring situations.

4 Personal Branding

Guides participants on presenting themselves professionally, building confidence and enhancing career prospects. This helps learners stand out in competitive job markets, making a strong first impression.



What's covered?

- ✓ Basic Illness First Aid
- ✓ Basic Injury First Aid
- ✓ Understanding CPR
- ✓ Healthy Coping Strategies
- ✓ Dealing with Grief
- ✓ Handling Emergencies
- ✓ Understanding Mental Health

1 First Aid Fundamentals

Equips learners with essential first aid skills for common illnesses and injuries, providing the confidence to respond in emergencies. This knowledge can be life-saving, creating safer homes, workplaces, and communities.

2 Mental Health Awareness

Offers practical guidance on understanding mental health, promoting resilience and emotional well-being. It empowers individuals to support themselves and others, reducing stigma and fostering a culture of care.

3 Crisis and Grief Management

Prepares individuals to handle challenging situations with empathy and strength, supporting themselves and others. This training builds emotional resilience, creating strong, supportive communities.

4 Life-Saving Skills

Covers CPR and other critical emergency responses, empowering participants to act quickly when it matters most. These skills build a sense of responsibility and readiness, ensuring participants are prepared for the unexpected.

What's covered?



- ✓ Budgeting and Finances
- ✓ Resume Prep
- ✓ Understanding Pathways
- ✓ First Aid & Mental Health
- ✓ Home Hygiene
- ✓ Basic Home Maintenance
- ✓ Automotive Fundamentals

1 Home and Life Management

Teaches vital skills like basic home maintenance, budgeting, and home hygiene, supporting everyday independence. This foundation helps reduce household stress and builds self-reliance.

2 Automotive Confidence

Provides foundational knowledge on vehicle care and maintenance, helping learners stay safe on the road. This knowledge reduces reliance on others and lowers long-term vehicle costs, promoting freedom and independence.

3 Financial Stability

Focuses on budgeting, saving, and managing personal finances for long-term financial health. This training empowers learners to set and achieve financial goals, reducing financial stress and promoting stability.

4 Holistic Wellbeing

Combines physical first aid with mental health support, promoting overall resilience and self-reliance. This balanced approach strengthens both body and mind, preparing individuals for life's challenges.



What's covered?

- ✓ Understanding Pathways
- ✓ Mock Interviews
- ✓ Identifying Gaps
- ✓ Exploring higher education
- ✓ Identifying existing skills
- ✓ Tax and superannuation
- ✓ Refining resumes

1 Career Direction

Helps learners identify their strengths and interests, aligning them with potential career paths and opportunities. This self-awareness builds confidence, motivates growth, and leads to more fulfilling career choices.

3 Skill Awareness

Encourages learners to recognise their existing abilities, making it easier to pursue new opportunities. This process builds self-esteem, highlights transferable skills, and promotes lifelong learning.

2 Resume Building

Teaches participants to craft compelling resumes that highlight their skills and experience, boosting confidence. Effective resumes open doors to new opportunities, making a lasting first impression with employers.

4 Personal Growth Mapping

Guides career changers in identifying skill gaps and planning for further education or training. This approach supports smoother transitions, helping individuals reinvent themselves with confidence.

Dollars and Sense

**Targeted at
Apprentices &
Trainees**

What's covered?



- ✓ Understanding Pathways
- ✓ Understanding Payslips
- ✓ Financial Management
- ✓ Understanding Super
- ✓ Budgeting on a Low Income
- ✓ Smashing Tax Time
- ✓ Exploring Government Allowances and Support

1 Personal Budgeting

Provides practical tools for managing tight budgets, reducing financial stress and promoting independence. This skill is the foundation of financial stability, empowering individuals to make confident spending and saving decisions.

3 Government Support

Educates on available allowances and financial support, helping participants navigate complex systems. This knowledge can be life-changing for those in financial hardship, providing a safety net during tough times.

2 Income and Earnings

Demystifies payslips, tax, and superannuation, empowering participants to make informed financial decisions. Understanding these basics builds financial confidence, reduces anxiety, and supports long-term career satisfaction.

4 Tax Confidence

Simplifies the tax return process, making it less intimidating and more manageable. This essential skill reduces tax-time anxiety, maximises refunds, and keeps finances on track.

Duration approx: 1.5hrs

Custom Workshops

We understand that each community has unique challenges and strengths, so we offer flexible implementation options, including co-branded pilot programs, curriculum integration, and tailored workshops with fully customisable content.

To ensure our workshops are meaningful and effective, we take a personalised approach. This means understanding the specific goals and circumstances of each group.

Additionally, our workshops can be delivered in various formats, including in-person, online, or blended learning, with options for immersive, experiential activities.



Ongoing Support

Student Portal

The ReadySkills Student Portal is a personalised online space designed to provide ongoing support for learners throughout their journey. It gives students easy access to resources, tools, and activities that compliment what they already know. The Student Portal includes career and industry specific advice, as well as holistic content including resume tips, recipes, training offers, event notices and notes from professionals across the country.

Digital Address Book

We have developed a digital address book to better support our participants, providing them with instant access to a growing network of industry contacts. This powerful tool breaks down barriers, connecting them with mentors, potential employers, and like-minded professionals. It's designed to give them the insights, guidance, and real-world connections they need to thrive in their chosen careers.

SkillsCentral Newsletter

Every month, our team curates a newsletter packed with exciting work experience and employment opportunities from across the country. It's designed to keep participants in the loop, showcasing job vacancies to build skills, gain industry insights, and connect with potential employers – helping them stay one step ahead in their careers.



Pricing

To keep our workshops truly accessible, we never charge extra for travel. Our affordable pricing reflects our commitment to making a real difference, not just covering costs. If you have budgetary restrictions, just reach out—we're always happy to chat about flexible options.

Pricing based on groups of up to 30 (excl. online workshops).

Course	Delivery	Price
LifeReady	Face-to-Face	\$950 +GST
CareerReady	Face-to-Face	\$550 +GST
AssistReady	Face-to-Face	\$590 +GST
SkillsDiscovery	Face-to-Face	\$550 +GST
Dollars & Sense	Face-to-Face	\$450 +GST
Dollars & Sense	Online	\$280 +GST
Custom Workshop	Face-to-Face	TBD

Other Ways to Get Involved

We understand that running workshops may not be feasible for every organisation, but there are still meaningful ways to get involved in the ReadySkills community. From sponsoring workshops to sharing industry contacts for our digital address book, or providing valuable support resources, your involvement can make a real difference in helping participants build their skills and connections.

Sponsoring Workshops

Sponsoring workshops is a powerful way to support the next generation of skilled professionals. It allows your organisation to play a direct role in shaping career pathways, providing participants with practical skills, industry insights, and valuable networking opportunities. By sponsoring a workshop, you're not just investing in the future workforce – you're helping create a pipeline of confident, life and work ready individuals equipped to meet the demands of a changing economy.

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Support Resources

Support resources are a vital part of the ReadySkills ecosystem, providing participants with the tools and knowledge they need to thrive. Organisations can play a crucial role by sharing industry guides, training materials, case studies, or even hosting virtual Q&A sessions. These contributions not only strengthen the skills and confidence of participants but also help bridge the gap between education and employment, creating a more prepared and resilient future workforce.



The Next Steps

Thank you for taking the time to explore ReadySkills. We believe that practical, real-world skills are the foundation for independent, successful lives – for all Australians, at every stage of their journey. Whether you're an educator, employer, community leader, or someone passionate about supporting others, your involvement helps shape a future where everyone has the confidence and capabilities to thrive.

If you're ready to join us in this mission, we'd love to connect. Whether you're looking to make a booking, have a conversation about partnership opportunities, or simply want to learn more about what we do, reach out today. Together, we can empower more Australians with the skills they need for life, work, and independence.

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