

Premier's Industry Collaboration Award

2025 eligibility criteria

The Premier's Industry Collaboration Award recognises an exemplary skills development collaboration between at least one employer/industry body and at least one training provider.

Eligibility criteria

Nominees must:

- have at least one party that is an industry organisation (e.g. employer, enterprise, group of enterprises, industry association, industry advisory body, trade union or professional association)
- have at least one party that is delivering nationally recognised vocational education and training (VET) or directly contributing to the outcomes of nationally recognised VET which leads to formal qualifications or Statements of Attainment under the Australian Qualifications Framework
- have the lead organisation's head office in Queensland
- meet the [conditions of entry](#).

Note:

- Organisations must demonstrate a genuine and shared agreement (either formal or informal) to cooperate and work together for mutual benefit. Collaborations typically will not include transactional or service delivery arrangements or partnerships where financial and cost arrangements are a defining characteristic.
- Nominations will not be accepted from organisations operating under a contractual 'partnership' agreement.


How to enter

The key to success is starting early. Everything you need to know to enter, including help to plan your nomination, is available from the [Queensland Training Awards \(QTA\) website](#).

Scan the code to go online and access:

- a [guide to preparing your nomination](#), including a handy checklist, writing tips, [drafting templates](#) and [examples of successful nominations](#)
- conditions of entry
- information on the judging process
- frequently asked questions
- [contact details for state and regional coordinators](#), who can assist you with your nomination.





Nominations are submitted online via a nomination portal. Access is available from the QTA website during the nomination period only.

You'll have to set-up an account, then complete nomination sections and hit submit. You can edit your nomination right up to closing time, even after you submit.

For help to plan outside the nomination period, you can also [express your interest](#) online.

Section A: Overview

The information in Section A will **not** be considered or used for judging purposes, but it may be used as a summary of your collaboration throughout the awards process.

Collaboration summary

Provide an overview of the collaboration, including:

- name of the collaboration
- lead organisation and every party to the collaboration
- purpose and objectives of the collaboration
- origin of the collaboration (how the parties came together)
- details of the environment in which the collaboration operates
- how the collaboration functions in practice, including lines of communication between the parties to the collaboration.

(Limit: 500 words)

Section B: Selection criteria

Nominees will be judged against the following selection criteria:

- Criterion 1: Outstanding practice of the collaboration
- Criterion 2: Achievements of the collaboration for training
- Criterion 3: Training impacts of the collaboration
- Criterion 4: Sustainability and future of the collaboration

Addressing the selection criteria

This information will be considered and used for shortlisting and judging purposes. Please be aware that your responses to the selection criteria will be strengthened by the inclusion of measurable results and appropriate indicators, including customer satisfaction data and other types of external validation.

The selection criteria should be the focus of the nomination. In developing your nomination, you may wish to take into account the considerations listed under each criterion.

Note: Considerations are not additional selection criteria but are provided to clarify what may be relevant to include when writing a response for each criterion.

Criterion 1: Outstanding practice of the collaboration

Describe the extent to which the collaboration goes above and beyond standard practice in training and skills development. For example, you may consider:

- What is the basis of the collaboration partner's agreement that have been so successful?
- What specific training need is being addressed by the collaboration?
- What exemplary or innovative aspects are a feature of the training collaboration?

(Limit: 800 words)

Criterion 2: Achievements of the collaboration for training

Consider:

- What are examples of excellence in the training delivered?
- What training outcomes have been achieved, including qualifications and skill sets awarded?
- What improvements in the quality of learning and assessment have been implemented?
- What, if any, new or improved career pathways and opportunities have been created?

(Limit: 800 words)

Criterion 3: Training impacts of the collaboration

Consider:

- How has the collaboration benefited participants, the community, collaborating organisations and the broader training system?
- What improvements in the processes/procedures of all collaborating organisations have been implemented?
- What contribution is there to social equity, especially increasing the participation of people from groups underrepresented in the industry or workplaces?

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Criterion 4: Sustainability and future of the collaboration

Consider:

- What, if any, aspects of the collaboration utilise government funding? If so, how could the collaboration be continued if government funding ceased?
- How can the outcomes of the collaboration be replicated or modelled for other industries?
- What quality improvement/performance evaluations of the collaboration that are in place and planned?

(Limit: 800 words)

SECTION C: Attachments

Required:

- High quality business logo
- 3-5 workplace or publicity photos, ensuring you have consent from everyone pictured ([learn more about photo requirements and access photography tips online](#))

Optional supporting material, such as:

- letters of support or commendation – recommended
- newspaper, newsletter or other articles
- photocopies of awards or certificates.

Up to five (5) single A4 pages of optional supporting material of relevance may be provided. Excess optional items **will not** be passed onto judging panels for assessment.

Each attachment **must not exceed 10MB**. Accepted file types include JPG, JPEG, PNG, PDF, DOC, DOCX, XLS and XLSX. Multimedia items (e.g. YouTube videos) or discs will not be accepted.

What happens next?

- Nominations are shortlisted for phone or online interviews
- **September – Queensland Training Awards state final**, state winners announced
- **November – Australian Training Awards**, national winners announced.

Note: This is a state-level award and is not contested regionally.

More information

For more information, [contact your state and regional coordinator](#) or [visit the QTA website](#).