

# Real Training for Real Jobs

## THE GORDON

**FINALIST - 2017 LARGE TRAINING PROVIDER OF THE YEAR**

*The Gordon pushing the barriers in advanced manufacturing*

The Gordon is working collaboratively with industry partners in designing ground-breaking solutions to Geelong's transition from a heavy reliance on traditional manufacturing to an economy driven by health, education, research, advanced manufacturing and tourism related activities.

Taking a lead role in the Victoria Government's Skilling the Bay initiative, The Gordon is instrumental in the development of cutting-edge programs to prepare the Geelong region's workforce for the jobs of the future. Development of Australia's first Course in use of Carbon Fibre in Composite Manufacturing is just one example of training initiatives designed to support growth in emerging industries and the transition of workers to new careers.

As the site of the new Geelong Tech School in 2018, The Gordon is working closely with Geelong schools to develop a STEM-based curriculum for thousands of Geelong secondary students.

The Gordon's BlendED project - where students can undertake their learning anywhere, anytime – has resulted in a 7% increase in training delivery hours and improved student outcomes.

Annual survey data from the National Centre for Vocational Education and Research (NCVER) shows that The Gordon continues to be above both state and national benchmarks for student satisfaction and employment outcomes; a result sustained over a number of years.



The Gordon is also taking a major role in the growing Wyndham region, which presents a set of specific needs, including rapid population growth, increasing education attainment, a socially diverse population, and a changing economy and industries.

***“This nomination recognises the efforts of the vast number of stakeholders who have supported The Gordon, and in turn, supported the transformation of the communities we serve. These outcomes are made possible by the outstanding work and dedication of our staff, who develop and share innovative practices and strive to provide the best possible experience for our students and industry”*** Lisa Line, CEO

### Large Training Provider of the Year

The Large Training Provider of the Year Award recognises a training provider that offers a broad range of training products and services and demonstrates excellence and high-level performance in all aspects of the training and TAFE system.

*Recognise and honour outstanding achievements in training*



## ABOUT THE VICTORIAN TRAINING AWARDS

Each year, the prestigious Victorian Training Awards recognise and honour the outstanding achievements of vocational education and training students, teachers, training providers and employers.

The Awards celebrate excellence in the training and TAFE system, highlight student achievements and the businesses' who train them. Showcases innovation and collaboration between industry and training providers - continuing to put Victoria's top achievers in the spotlight.

Through *Skills First*, the Victorian Government is delivering a trusted training and TAFE system that delivers real training for real jobs. The Awards bring confidence and pride to vocational education and training.

## AWARD CATEGORIES

### Individual Categories

- Vocational Student of the Year
- Apprentice of the Year
- Trainee of the Year
- Koorie Student of the Year
- School-based Apprentice/Trainee of the Year
- Teacher/Trainer of the Year

### Training Provider Categories

- Small Training Provider of the Year
- Large Training Provider of the Year
- Community Training Provider of the Year

### Employer Categories

- Small Employer of the Year
- Medium Employer of the Year
- Large Employer of the Year
- Employer Award for Apprenticeship Development

### Industry Collaboration Award

### Lynne Kosky Memorial Award for Lifetime Achievement

## Australian Training Awards

There are five Australian Training Awards categories open for direct entry:

- National Achievement Award
- Excellence in Language, Literacy and Numeracy Practice Award
- International Training Provider of the Year Award
- School Pathways to VET Award
- Australian Apprenticeships - Employer Award

## WHY APPLY?

The Awards set the standards for vocational education and training in Victoria; promoting high quality training and workplace skill development.

Being a finalist puts organisations at the forefront, building brand recognition and a strong industry reputation. In turn attracting a better standard of employees.

Students have the opportunity to showcase skills and their journey within the training and TAFE system. Plus students have the chance to network with industry experts and employers from across the state to help build their careers.

Award winners receive \$5,000 prize money.

Winners go on to be ambassadors for the Victorian Training Awards and have the opportunity to represent Victoria nationally at the Australian Training Awards (in aligned categories).

For more information visit Victorian Training Awards [www.education.vic.gov.au/vta](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/vta)

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