

2024 TUITION FEES PART-TIME

Students can access the Commonwealth tuition support loan scheme - VET Student Loans (VSL), for part-time study.

It is simple to qualify for VSL. Students are required to have Australian Citizenship and, under certain conditions, New Zealand Citizenship, and they have not exceeded their loan balance for accumulated study. Please see more details below.

- Diploma of **Graphic Design (DGD)**
- Diploma of **Photography & Digital Imaging (DPDI)**
- Diploma of **Visual Arts (DVA)**
- Advanced Diploma of **Visual Arts (ADVA)**

Study by Term

Study Units		VSL Cover	Full Fee	Not Using VSL
				3 monthly payments over a term
Single subject	1 Unit	VSL not available	\$1,200	400, 400, 400
Part-time	2 Units	Tuition is covered in full	\$2,400	800, 800, 800
"	3 Units	Tuition is covered in full	\$3,600	1200, 1200, 1200
"	4 Units	Tuition is covered in full	\$4,800	1200, 1200, 1200, 1200
Full time	5 Units	Tuition is covered in full	\$6,000	1500, 1500, 1500, 1500

Full qualification

Each course is comprised of	VSL Cover	Full Fee
15 Units	Tuition is covered in full	\$18,000

PART-TIME STUDY

Part-time study load is between 2 and 4 weekly classes (or study units) per term (full-time is 5 study units). Classes are 2.75-hour, and terms are 12 weeks. There are 15 study units required to complete each Diploma or Advanced Diploma in full. Single classes or study units can be enrolled in. However, VSL will only cover part-time or full-time study. The length of time a part-time student can take to complete a qualification is approximately 2 years, depending on the study load (full-time load is 5 units per term, 3 days per week and takes 1 year to complete). A part-time student could effectively do 2 study units over one day or 4 units over 2 days, timetabling permitting.

VSL (VET STUDENT LOANS)

The Commonwealth study assistance scheme - VET Student Loans (VSL) is a loan that needs to be paid back to the government in time. The loan may, until the debt is repaid, reduce a student's take-home (after-tax) wage or salary and may reduce the student's borrowing capacity. It can cover all or part of the student's tuition fees. Your VSL loan is paid back to the Commonwealth through a 1% tax increase later when you earn a salary of \$52,000 or higher, and the percentage rate may increase if your salary rises. For more information, please see [S11.6 Student Accessing VSL PP](#) under the college's website:

<https://www.lcad.edu.au/policies-and-information>

APPLYING & QUALIFYING FOR VSL

The College helps the student to apply for VSL. Qualification for VSL requires that the student be an Australian citizen, and in some cases, a New Zealand citizen, and that they have not used all their loan

credit. Prior completed study does not preclude applicants, nor is it means-tested. Documents required include your birth certificate or passport, change of name certificate (if required), your Tax File Number, your Unique Student Identifier (USI), your high school certificate or your last education certificate, Certificate IV or higher (or CSPA test pass), and your completed Enrolment Details form.

FEES DUE (IF NOT USING VSL)

Your payment is due when you submit your Acceptance Form to enrol in your course. Any balance of fees, other than instalments, must be completed by Orientation 1 week before the study commences.

INSTALMENTS DUE (IF NOT USING VSL)

1st term instalment is due when you enrol in your course and return your ACCEPTANCE Form to the college.

2nd of three instalments is due at ORIENTATION (1 week before classes).

3rd instalment is due on the 1st of the following month and at least one month from the previous payment.

Invoices will not be issued for instalment reminders.

COURSE MATERIALS

Depending on your course, subjects, and study load, there may be an additional material requirement. Full-time students will need to outlay approximately \$100-\$290 at the start, which is not covered by VSL. A Materials List is given at Orientation. Photography and Graphic Design students are recommended to have their own Digital SLR Camera with video function and tripod (this is highly recommended but not essential).

FULL QUALIFICATION

The tuition for each qualification offered by LCAD is \$18,000

GENERAL SERVICES FEE

\$300. This fee is included in the fees.

CENSUS DATE

Students may withdraw from studies before Census Day without incurring a debt, approximately 3 weeks after the start of the term. Some subjects will begin before the start of a term period. Census Days for each study unit at LCAD is published as VSL9_Schedule_of_VET_Tuition_Fees on the college's website:

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PROTECTION OF TUITION FEES

VSL students' fees are protected by the Government's fee protection scheme. Students paying upfront and not deferring to VSL are not charged more than \$1500 a month, which is deemed not a payment in advance and therefore does not require a fee protection arrangement. Students will not lose money if the college is suddenly unable to offer the student their studies.