If you're keen to gain practical skills for work through hands-on learning, vocational education and training (VET) could be right for you.

Vocational Education and Training or VET is a type of training that focuses on developing practical skills for work. TAFE courses such as certificates and diplomas are examples of VET. Unlike university courses that often involve large amounts of theory, VET or TAFE courses are designed to prepare you for work. If you prefer practical, hands-on learning over sitting in a classroom, then a TAFE course could be right for you.

**BENEFITS OF TAFE**

Studying at TAFE can help you get into the workforce sooner. Many certificate courses can be completed in as little as six months, while diploma qualifications usually take 12–18 months, compared to three years for a degree. Because TAFE training focuses on giving you practical, work-ready skills, studying at TAFE increases your chances of finding work after your graduate. Nearly 80% of TAFE Queensland graduates secure employment after successfully completing their course. For more information, visit tafeqld.edu.au.

**TAFE AT SCHOOL**

If you’re a Year 10, 11 or 12 student you may be able to complete a TAFE Queensland qualification while you’re still at school through the TAFE at School program. TAFE at School courses work in with your existing high school studies and can also count towards your Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE). Learn more about TAFE at School tafeqld.edu.au/courses/waysyou-can-study/tafe-at-school.html?