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FACT SHEET

VET ACRONYMS

Commonly used acronyms in the Australian vocational education and training (VET) system:

AASN	Australian Apprenticeship Support Network
ACPET	Australian Council for Private Education and Training
AISC	Australian Industry and Skills Committee
AQF	Australian Qualifications Framework
AQTF	Australian Quality Training Framework
ASBA	Australian School-Based Apprenticeship
ASQA	Australian Skills Quality Authority
ATA	Australian Training Awards
AVETMISS	Australian Vocational Education and Training Management Information Statistical Standard
CBT	Competency-Based Training
CCA	Community Colleges Australia
CISC	Council of Australian Governments (COAG) Industry and Skills Council
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CRICOS	Commonwealth Register of Institutions and Courses for Overseas Students
ERTO	Enterprise Registered Training Organisation
ESOS	Education Services for Overseas Students
FAQ	Frequently Asked Question
GTO	Group Training Organisation
IBSA	Innovation & Business Skills Australia

IRC	Industry Reference Committee
ISC	Industry Skills Council
LLN	Language, Literacy and Numeracy
NCVER	National Centre for Vocational Education Research
NVETR Act	<i>National Vocational Education and Training Regulator Act 2011</i>
NRT	Nationally Recognised Training
PSSfW	Preparing Secondary Students for Work
PwC	PricewaterhouseCoopers
RPL	Recognition of Prior Learning
RTO	Registered Training Organisation
S@W	Skills @ Work
SCOTESE	Standing Council on Tertiary Education, Skills and Employment (replaced by CISC)
SMS	Student Management System
SSCE	Senior Secondary Certificate of Education
SSO	Skills Service Organisation
SSON	Skills Senior Officials Network
STA	State / Territory Training Authority
TAC	Training Accreditation Council
TAFE	Technical and Further Education
TDA	TAFE Directors Association
TSL	Trade Support Loan
USI	Unique Student Identifier
VET	Vocational Education and Training
VRQA	Victorian Registration & Qualifications Authority
VSL	VET Student Loans
VSLO	VET Student Loans Ombudsman

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