

WEBINAR SERIES 2021

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webinar 1

What does the new FSK offer you?

Looking behind FSK19

DATE	TIME	COST
28 APRIL WEDNESDAY	12:00 13:30	\$75 INC GST

presented by
Dave Tout

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This webinar will outline the major changes and enhancements to the FSK qualifications and units.

Key points covered in the webinar will include:

- the review process and key feedback from consultations
- the status of the revised FSK
- the purposes of the FSK
- the changes to the structure of the FSK, including of the qualifications
- changes to the units – what has changed? New units and revised existing units

webinar 2

Making numeracy count

A key challenge for the 21st century

DATE	TIME	COST
29 APRIL THURSDAY	12:00 13:30	\$90 INC GST

presented by
Dave Tout

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This webinar will highlight a number of issues related to how mathematics and numeracy are crucial underpinning life skills for learners, and how they impact directly on youth and adults as individuals, workers and citizens. Dave Tout will share his insights into numeracy/mathematics skills, trends and research gained from his extensive experiences working in the adult education and training industry, and share his knowledge developed through national and international numeracy research.

webinar 3

Digital literacy and the Australian Core Skills Framework (ACSF)

DATE	TIME	COST
5 MAY WEDNESDAY	12:00 13:30	\$90 INC GST

presented by
Philippa McLean and **Jenni Oldfield**

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This webinar provides insight about the new Digital Literacy core skill, which sits beside the other foundation skills in the Australian Core Skills Framework (ACSF).

In this new framework, Digital Literacy refers to the skills needed to use digital technologies to achieve personal goals, enhance employability, and support education and training. Digital Literacy covers the physical operations of digital devices and the software operations in those devices. It incorporates the ability to search and navigate, create, communicate, collaborate, think critically, analyse information, and address security, safety and wellbeing issues when using a variety of digital technologies. These skills are essential for individuals to participate effectively today.

webinar 4

The ABC of the ACSF Refresher for VET trainers

DATE	TIME	COST
26 MAY WEDNESDAY	12:00 14:00	\$120 INC GST

presented by
Dave Tout

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This introductory, or refresher, session is aimed at VET practitioners who want to know more about the Australian Core Skills Framework (ACSF) and the Australian standards for adult literacy and numeracy.

This session will cover a range of topics:

- what is the ACSF?
- background and introduction to the ACSF and its structure
- working/exit levels – continuum of development
- what do the ACSF levels mean?
- ACSF levels 1, 2 & 3
- sample assessment tasks

Note: the session is not targeted at LLN specialists

Presenter Biographies

Dave Tout

David Tout is widely recognised as one of Australia's leading adult literacy and numeracy personnel, and has worked in schools, TAFEs, ACE, university, AMES and workplaces, with over 40 years' experience in the VET sector. He has wide experience in training, and in state, national and international research, curriculum, assessment and materials development. Dave had major responsibility for the numeracy domain of the ACSF. He is currently a member of the Education Industry Reference Committee that oversees the FSK, and is the Chair of the Numeracy Expert Group responsible for the numeracy component of the OECD's international PIAAC survey of adult skills. David is currently a Senior Research Fellow in Numeracy and Mathematics at ACER.

Philippa McLean

Philippa McLean has extensive and successful experience in the VET sector, with particular expertise in adult Language, Literacy, Numeracy and Digital Literacy (LLND). In recent years Philippa's prime focus has been on the delivery of professional development and project work for the adult LLN sector at a state-wide and national level. Philippa has worked on national projects developing exemplar LLND assessment tools and delivery resources. She also undertakes independent validation of LLND assessment tools and processes. Her experience includes work as a Commonwealth and State assessor of LLND funding applications. Philippa was the project manager and key writer for the development of the Australian Core Skills Framework, ACSF (Commonwealth of Australia 2012), the ACSF Pre Level 1 (Commonwealth of Australia 2017) and the Digital Literacy Skills Framework (Commonwealth of Australia 2020). Philippa also worked extensively with Indigenous Literacy Programs and Community Education Programs.

Jenni Oldfield

Jenni Oldfield has worked in the vocational education and training sector for 30 years as a trainer, assessor and content developer. In recent years, her specialist focus has been on adult language, literacy and numeracy and training package development. Jenni was involved in the development of the Australian Core Skills Framework (ACSF) in 2012, the development of the Pre Level 1 in 2017, and the Digital Literacy Skills Framework (DLSF) in 2020. She has provided high level advice about adult LLND to Commonwealth and State governments and government agencies, and delivers professional development workshops for VET practitioners. She has also written many assessment tasks for the ACSF skills across all levels and all core skills.