



# Financial Options

## WITHIN CIT

## AND/OR

## OUTSIDE SERVICES

### Paying CIT Student Tax Invoices

**Via the internet** - Canberra Connect, Australia Post or BPAY.

**Over the phone** - Canberra Connect, Australia Post, CIT Information line or BPAY.

**In person** - Canberra Connect shopfronts, Australia Post Offices, CIT Student Services Hub (Bruce, Reid, Southside, Fyshwick\*) or CIT Gungahlin\* and Tuggeranong Learning Centre\*.

**Methods of payment** - Credit card (Mastercard & Visa only), Debit card, cheque, money order or cash.

\*Limited payment options available.

The Student Tax Invoice provides all website addresses, phone numbers and reference details for all the above payment methods.

### Concessions

Centrelink recipients may be entitled to a 50% concession on course/Skills Recognition fees. Concessions must be applied before the Student Tax Invoice due date and prior to making any payments.

### Student Payment Plans

Can be set up for students to make payments throughout the current semester either weekly, fortnightly or monthly.

**Please note:** Any withdrawals must be in writing before the original Student Tax Invoice due date or students are liable for all associated fees.

### ACT Government Fee Assistance

Provides support for students in financial hardship with some of the costs of fees and/or course materials.

### CIT Indigenous Scholarships

The Yurauna Centre, located in F Block at the Reid Campus, provides scholarships and a broad range of support services for Indigenous students enrolled at CIT.

### FEE-HELP

A delayed loan scheme that assists eligible fee paying students to repay fees for Degree courses. The loan is repaid through the Australian Tax Office (ATO) once the designated income threshold is reached.

Visit [www.goingtouni.gov.au](http://www.goingtouni.gov.au)

### VET FEE-HELP

VET FEE-HELP is similar to FEE-HELP and available for specific CIT Diploma and Advanced Diploma courses.

### Country Education Foundation of Australia (CEFA)

CEFA, in partnership with CIT provides financial help to rural students. Visit [www.cef.org.au](http://www.cef.org.au)

### The CSU University Pathway Scholarship Program

Open to CIT students interested in completing a CSU undergraduate degree. Visit [www.csu.edu.au](http://www.csu.edu.au)

### Saver Plus (up to \$500 for education costs)

A matched savings and financial literacy program that assists people to build savings for education costs. Visit [www.anz.com.au](http://www.anz.com.au), call or SMS your name and postcode to 1300 610 355.

### Women's Return to Work Grants Program ACT

Available through the Women's Information and Referral Centre. Visit [www.wirc.act.gov.au](http://www.wirc.act.gov.au) or call 6205 2885.

### The Australian Careers Information Register

For scholarship and career information: domestic students visit [www.myfuture.edu.au](http://www.myfuture.edu.au) or for international students [www.studyinaustralia.gov.au](http://www.studyinaustralia.gov.au)

### Centrelink Education Payments

In addition to regular Centrelink payments, CIT students may be entitled to further support for educational costs. Visit [www.centrelink.gov.au](http://www.centrelink.gov.au) or any Centrelink office.



# ACT Government Fee Assistance

## for CIT students experiencing financial hardship

## Need help paying for your studies at CIT?

### ACT Government Fee Assistance

The ACT Government provides money to the ACT Government Fee Assistance scheme (Fee Assistance) for new and current CIT students experiencing demonstrated financial hardship.

Fee Assistance is available throughout the year to assist in paying some of your fees. This includes course and Skills Recognition fees and/or materials available from CITSA Bookshops.

The purpose of Fee Assistance is to provide you with financial assistance in gaining qualifications for employment. Applications apply to only one (1) course of study at a time for courses up to the Advanced Diploma level.

You can apply each semester of your course, by completing a new form and supplying current documentation.

### Am I eligible for Fee Assistance?

To be eligible to apply you need to:

- » be an Australian or New Zealand citizen or an Australian permanent resident.
- » have satisfactory results and a demonstrated, continued commitment to studies.

### What if I'm working, am I still eligible to apply?

Yes! Working students (ie apprentices, trainees, low to medium income earners) may apply, showing their demonstrated financial hardship. Fee Assistance applicants are assessed on their individual circumstances.

### Can I still apply if I don't study full-time?

Yes! Fee Assistance is open to full-time, part-time and students studying in flexible learning delivery mode.

### How much is Fee Assistance worth?

The usual amount of support ranges from \$200 - \$400 per application. Fee Assistance is not awarded in cash, but is paid directly off your fees or provided as a credit at CITSA Bookshops for your textbooks and equipment purchases.

### How do I get Fee Assistance?

To apply, complete an application form and supply the documentation in the checklist. Application forms are available from any Student Services Hub or at [cit.edu.au/current/student\\_forms](http://cit.edu.au/current/student_forms)

Your application will be assessed by the ACT Government Fee Assistance Committee and will be treated with sensitivity.

### What about concessions or other payment options?

If you are currently in receipt of certain Centrelink benefits, you may be eligible for a 50% concession on your course fees. A Concessions factsheet is available at any Student Services Hub to assist you with eligibility questions.

- » Student Services Hub staff can also assist you with other payment options if Fee Assistance does not cover 100% of your fees.

**FIND OUT MORE**

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