

Diploma of Financial Counselling CHC51115



Successful completion of the Diploma of Financial Counselling assists graduates to gain the skills and knowledge required to become a Financial Counsellor. The Diploma of Financial Counselling is the Nationally recognised qualification required to work as a Financial Counsellor in Australia and prepares you to apply to become a registered member of the Financial Counselling peak body in your State / Territory and enter the financial counselling profession.

Why become a Financial Counsellor?

Financial Counsellors provide free, independent and confidential information, support, advocacy and referral to people in financial difficulty. If you'd like to provide practical advice, support and advocacy; and you're passionate about social justice and client rights, this job is for you!

Financial Counsellors provide services that are without conflict, and hence are not financial planners or advisers and work in organisations that are funded for this work and have an exemption from an Australian Financial Services License or a Credit License.

Gain skills in

- Financial counselling assessment, casework and referral
- Individual and Systemic Advocacy
- Client centred practice
- Counselling
- Understanding financial and consumer protection laws and codes
- Community development
- Understanding integrated practice

About ICAN Learn

ICAN Learn, an arm of the Indigenous Consumer Assistance Network [ICAN] is a social enterprise Registered Training Organisation focusing on financial counselling and financial capability education. Incorporated in 2007, ICAN has become a national leader in consumer advocacy, financial counselling and financial literacy for Indigenous people.

About the course

The Diploma of Financial Counselling comprises 17 units of study; 14 core units and 3 RTO selected elective units. [Refer to Course Guide]

Entry requirements

There are no course pre-requisites, but students are required to demonstrate literacy and numeracy commensurate with Diploma level studies and must have good computer skills.

Delivery mode

This course is delivered using a weekly live online real-time teaching approach.

Duration

18- 24 months

Skills recognition

Skills recognition is available to applicants following enrolment. Skills recognition is conducted by expert financial counsellor teachers and is subject to fees and a stringent time-limited process. Information can be obtained by contacting enquiries@icanlearn.edu.au

Your commitment

Attendance

Students are required to attend a scheduled live online real time class for 6 hours each week of the course. There are allowances for specific holiday periods.

Learning in the workplace

Students are required to complete a 220 hour Learning in the Workplace experience. This is negotiated with the student and a suitable financial counselling agency. The Agency provides expert financial counsellors as mentors for the student during this time.

Study requirements

Students must be prepared to spend 8-10 hours on personal study every week until course completion.

Course fees

Course fees are identified in the Course Guide for each specific course and are communicated to the student at enrolment.

Want to take it to the next level?

Enquire via <https://icanlearn.edu.au/course/ican/>