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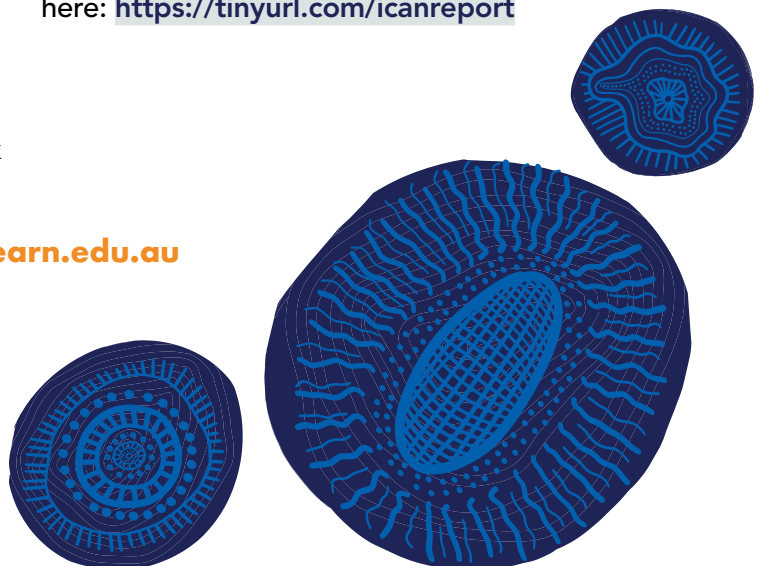
ICAN Learn is proud to offer a new scholarship program for 2025. The scholarships are available for people who identify as First Nations or those who predominately work or plan to work with First Nations communities.

The scholarships cover all course fees for either the: **CHC51122 Diploma of Financial Counselling**; or **CHC42021 Certificate IV in Community Services** (including the skill set in Financial Literacy Education).

The delivery will be contextualised to working with First Nations people and communities and will delve into embedding the Indigenous Consumer Assistance Network's (ICAN Learn's parent organisation) well-being framework into practice. ICAN has been developing, testing, and refining its holistic financial counselling and financial capability practice framework over the past three years.

Through adopting and adapting the Sustainable Livelihoods Framework to ICAN's financial counselling and financial capability services, ICAN has now embedded a strengths-based well-being framework that supports people to move from crisis ('surviving') towards a 'thriving' position. You can read more about the framework in ICAN's 'Surviving to Thriving' report here: <https://tinyurl.com/icanreport>

To find out more email administration@icanlearn.edu.au or visit www.icanlearn.edu.au/scholarships



FAQs

WHAT ROLES CAN I WORK IN ONCE I COMPLETE EITHER OF THESE COURSES?

The CHC51122 Diploma of Financial Counselling is the qualification required to work as a Financial Counsellor. Financial Counsellors help people who are experiencing financial difficulty and provide advice and support to help clients to get back on top of their financial issues.

The CHC42021 Certificate IV in Community Services (Financial Capability) includes the skill set in Financial Literacy Education. It is a qualification that allows people to work in a variety of roles in the community services sector, including those seeking to work as Financial Capability Workers.

WHERE CAN I FIND MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THESE COURSES?

Check out our course brochures on our website or call us on 03 5471 7777 today.

WHAT IF I DO THIS COURSE BUT THEN END UP NOT WORKING WITH FIRST NATIONS COMMUNITIES?

That's OK - this delivery will include all the content you would cover in any other delivery of these courses and some more! You'll be well equipped to work in a range of contexts.

HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE TO COMPLETE THE COURSE? HOW IT IS DELIVERED AND ARE THERE CLASSES?

CHC51122 Diploma of Financial Counselling is made up of 17 units (13 core and 4 electives chosen by ICAN Learn). This course is delivered live online (in 'real-time') in weekly classes, over a 18-24 month period; class attendance is required. Please note: students are required to also complete a 220 hour 'Learning in the Workplace' experience.

CHC42021 Certificate IV in Community Services (Financial Capability) is made up of 15 units. This course is delivered live online (in 'real-time') with classes over a 12-month period; class attendance is required.

I CAN'T STUDY IN 2025/2026. CAN I STILL APPLY?

This is a pilot project and scholarships are only available for delivery during 2025/2026. Please check on our website for other scholarship opportunities.

HOW DO I APPLY?

To apply for the scholarships you must:

1. Identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander or currently work or plan to work predominately with First Nations communities.
2. Email administration@icanlearn.edu.au to express your interest.
3. Complete the Scholarship Application (the link will be provided upon receipt of your expression of interest).

Got questions or need more information? Contact us at administration@icanlearn.edu.au to find out more.

Applications are now open with courses commencing in late 2025. Places are strictly limited and as this is a pilot program, we may not have scholarships available in the future. Applications close 30.06.2025

Our pathways

Advanced Diploma Community Sector Management

(for financial counsellors)
(under development)

Senior financial
counsellor/sector leader

Accredited skill sets

Lead and support colleagues
CHCSS00084

Rural Financial Counselling
(Diploma elective specialisation)

Problem Gambling
CHCSS00111

Senior financial counsellor/
sector leader

Diploma of
Financial
Counselling
CHC51122

Financial
counsellor

Diploma of
Community
Services
CHC52015

Community
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Certificate IV in
Community
Services
CHC42021

Community services and
financial capability worker

Financial
Literacy
Education
CHCSS00077

Financial literacy educator