ICT50415 - Diploma of Information Technology Networking

1. **Aims**

To provide the skills and knowledge for an individual to manage, as an independent ICT specialist or as part of a team, the installation of a range of networks, including internetworking, security and e-business integration.

This course enables individuals to specialise in Networking after the completion of ICT30115 Certificate III in Information, Digital Media & Technology.

2. **Course Outcomes**

This course provides students with the necessary skills for the following purposes:

- To undertake work as an ICT specialist in computer networking.
- Possible job titles relevant to this qualification include: Network administrator, IT administrator, IT operations administrator, Network services administrator, Network support coordinator, Network operations analyst, Network security coordinator, Network e-business coordinator
- To facilitate access to employment including setting up a small business
- As a precursor to studies at other educational institutions.

3. **Overview**

This qualification is fully competency-based. The courses will involve classroom-based delivery, workshops, an online component and extensive practical opportunities to consolidate skills learnt.

4. **Duration**

The Diploma of Information Technology Networking course is studied over a full year which involves 40 weeks of formal tuition.

The general intakes for the Diploma course are in February and July.

5. **Costs 2016**

VET FEE-HELP is available to eligible students for this course. A VET FEE-HELP loan can cover all or part of the course fee. Eligible students include Australian citizens, Permanent Humanitarian Visa Holders and some New Zealand citizens. For eligibility criteria see www.studyassist.gov.au

**Application Fee**

There is a non-refundable enrolment application fee:

- Domestic students (Permanent residents, on-shore applicants) $100
- International students $250
- VET FEE-HELP eligible students $0
**Academic Fees**

Fees for students of these courses are:

**Australian Students**

Diploma of IT Networking $9,100

**International Students**

Diploma of IT Networking $9,400

Note: The College reserves the right to alter fees prior to the start of each academic year.

**Government assistance**

VET FEE-HELP is available to eligible students for tuition costs related this course. Please see further information about VET FEE-HELP and the current Schedule of Fees at [www.unity.edu.au/vet-fee-help](http://www.unity.edu.au/vet-fee-help)

6. **Entry Requirements**

General requirements for entry are:

- Completion of ICA30115 - Certificate III in Information, Digital Media & Technology or equivalent or demonstration of equivalent skills. Students with advanced standing are able to apply for Recognition of Prior learning.
- A completed student application form & payment of the application fee
- Minimum entry age course is 17 years (18 years for international students).
- Note: Students accessing VET FEE-HELP must either have a Senior Secondary Certificate of Education/Year 12 Certificate or complete an approved Language, literacy and numeracy test

Students should in good conscience be able to subscribe to the ethic of Unity College Australia which is based on mainstream Christian values. This means that students will:

- respect those who hold Christian values
- respect college authority and other students
- respect college and student property
- comply with cultural and social standards including:
  - modesty of dress
  - honesty and integrity in dealing with others
  - sensitivity to students from cultures different to one’s own
  - no consuming of alcohol or non-medicinal drugs, nor being under the influence of the same, while on campus. The college is a non-smoking environment.

**Student Entry Procedure for students accessing a VET FEE-HELP loan:**

Students who wish to cover all or part of the course fee through the VET FEE-HELP loan scheme should read and follow the “VET FEE-HELP Student Entry Procedure” as outlined on the Unity College Australia website VET FEE-HELP page: [http://www.unity.edu.au/en/more-info/need-financial-help](http://www.unity.edu.au/en/more-info/need-financial-help)
7. Training Process

The Diploma course entails a minimum of 20 hours of face to face training, including classroom tuition, workshops and hands on experience. In addition students will have a range of requirements for out of classroom study and activities, including an online component.

Unity College Australia uses a wide variety of training methods which will be adapted to the class context.

Unity College Australia adopts adult-learning principles. Participants in this program are therefore expected to take charge of their own learning process. It is expected that each selected participant will be committed to meeting the requirements of the relevant course and will attend relevant classes and activities and complete all work required for assessment.

8. Course Structure

This qualification will be taught over a one year period using seven modules. The first four and last three modules are standalone thus enabling students to join the course at the beginning of the year or mid year.

Topics covered include an in-depth study of Networking Enterprises, Networking Security, Enterprise Communications, Networking Projects, Being Ethical in IT, Sustainability with Server Virtualisation and Networking Basics.

The course requires the completion of 16 units of competency, 5 core units and 11 elective units.

A list of the modules and units of competency completed in this course are in the following table.

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9. Nationally Recognised Competencies
Australia has a system of national standardisation of training for many industry areas including Information Technology. This system is implemented through training packages (groups of courses) and individual units of competency.

All competencies studied in each of these courses are nationally recognised from the Information & Communications Technology Training Package.

10. Assessment overview
A wide range of assessment tools are used including:
- attendance and class participation
- practical research and fieldwork
- computerised learning tools
- written assignments, exercises, presentations and/or tests
- journal/process diary completion

Competency-based assessment criteria apply to grading.
Final assessment for each subject/unit studied will be shown as:
- C Competent
- NYC Not Yet Competent

Final Academic Transcripts will show results only for subjects/units assessed as Competent.
Students will be recommended for graduation once the following requirements are met:

- Satisfactory completion of all relevant academic requirements
- Payment of all outstanding fees owing to Unity College Australia
- Return of any loaned college resources
- Maintained a satisfactory level of conduct during his/her time at College

11. Pathways

Continuation of further tertiary studies in Information Technology at Advanced Diploma, Bachelor or higher levels.

12. Course Dates for Canberra Campus

These dates include Orientation in Terms 1 and 3

**2016 Semester 1**

Term 1 - 2  Monday 1 February - Friday 1 July

**2016 Semester 2**

Term 3 - 4  Monday 18 July - Friday 9 December

Graduation  Wednesday 14 December

**2017 Semester 1**

Term 1 - 2  Monday 30 January - Friday 30 June

**2017 Semester 2**

Term 3 - 4  Monday 17 July - Friday 8 December

Graduation  Wednesday 13 December