

MEMBER ADVICE

FUNDING GRANTS TO DEVELOP E-LEARNING PROGRAMS

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Summary

- Two specific types of programs
- Up to \$50,000 available per grant
- Industry must co-contribute
- Closing date 10 Nov 2011

The National VET E-Learning Strategy

The strategy currently has funding available for industry to help develop e-learning programs. The "Regional Business Program" is aimed at rurally located businesses whilst the "Access to Skills" fund is open to all employers. Conditions for each fund vary, specific *Information for Applicants* guides can be downloaded from:

- Regional Business Guide
- Access to Skills Guide

What training will be funded?

All programs must support the delivery of training for components of a VET qualification, skills set or accredited program. Further details are contained in the relevant guide/s above.

Costs

Employers are expected to provide a co-investment to the project. Co-investment is defined as "A minimum dollar for dollar investment by stakeholders which includes the contribution of cash, identified staff time and the purchase of enabling technology during the activity that is used specifically for the activity".

Delivery timetable

The time frame for the program is very tight. There are a range of conditions that must be met including having the projects delivered and completed by early June 2012.

Closing dates

Proposals must be submitted by 5pm AEDT
 Thursday 10 November 2011 by email to:
 <u>industry@flexiblelearning.net.au</u> and copied to:
 <u>industry.applications@gmail.com</u>

Where can further information be obtained?

- The Industry Systems Change Business Activity Manager – Kerry Manikis, (02) 6207 3267, industry@flexiblelearning.net.au
- The Flexible Learning Website http://industry.flexiblelearning.net.au
- Members seeking assistance can also contact an <u>Ai Group Education and Training Advisor in their</u> <u>State</u>.

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