ACDE Vocational Education Group
3<sup>rd</sup> Annual National Conference on
VET Teaching and VET Teacher Education

Driving the Future Quality of VET Teaching in Australia

7 & 8 December 2017

TAFE Queensland Brisbane South Bank Campus


Hosted by the ACDE Vocational Education Group, the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Conference on VET teaching and VET teacher education brings together a range of VET workforce practitioners, policy makers and researchers
from across the nation. Together, these committed vocational educators will advance and share the knowledge and projects they are generating to drive the future quality of VET teaching in Australia. Australia’s future is reliant on a highly skilled and innovative workforce which is in turn reliant on highly skilled and professional VET teaching. This conference, supported by Griffith University and TAFE Queensland provides the forum that champions high quality VET teaching and VET teacher education.

Be a part of the conference. It is important for all engaged in VET teaching and VET teacher education, including:

- Teachers, trainers, assessors, practitioners, instructors, educators – all those engaged in vocational education delivery from TAFE Institutes and Registered Training Organisations
- All those involved in the initial education and professional development of VET teachers from Universities, Professional Development Centres, TAFE Institutes, Registered Training Organisations and Peak Bodies
- VET and teacher education researchers from all education and training sectors
- CEOs, managers and teacher quality administrative staff from TAFES and RTOs

Keynote Speakers

**Jenny Dodd**

Chief Academic Officer  
TAFE Queensland

**Craig Robertson**

Chief Executive Officer  
TAFE Directors Australia

We welcome proposals for conference presentations, workshops and round-tables. All details and templates are available on the Conference [website](#).
Conference structure

Thursday 7 December – 1.00-5.00pm: Practitioner workshops and round-tables

Participants will enjoy the opportunity to explore and discuss a particular VET teacher practice or related issue with people interested in sharing their projects, perspectives and approaches. These interactive sessions are designed to support the development of effective teaching practice and resources. There will be a choice of session topics and afternoon tea will be served.

The call for expressions of interest in conducting one of these sessions is on the Conference website (https://www.griffith.edu.au/acdev2017). Closing date for submitting expressions of interest is the 15th September, 2017.

Friday 8 December – 9.00-4.00pm: Key note speakers and conference presentations

This full day comprises a range of research based presentations by practitioners, researchers and policy professionals seeking to share their work and perspectives on the needs and significance of enhancing and sustaining the quality of VET teaching in Australia. Led by the two keynote speakers and their insights in the field, the range of presenters from across the spectrum of VET teaching will ensure a challenging and inspiring experience for all who attend.

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Conference Venue

The Conference will be conducted at the TAFE Queensland Brisbane South Bank campus – Ernest Street, South Brisbane. On both days of the conference, keynote addresses, plenary, workshop and paper presentations will be held in the restaurant and adjacent rooms of C Block on Ernest Street. Full details will be published in the Conference Program when it is released. The campus is a short walk across the river from the Brisbane CBD and all the hotels and restaurants that make getting to and staying close to the conference quite easy. For those who drive, there is plenty of paid parking at the South Bank Parklands carpark.
Conference registration and fees

Day 1 only - Thursday 7 December 1.00-5.00pm: **$30** - Practitioner workshops and round-tables

Day 2 only - Friday 8 December 9.00-4.00pm: **$100** – Key-note speakers and conference presentations

Day 1 and 2 - Thursday and Friday 7-8 December: **$120** - Full conference participation

Registration and fee payment is available through the conference website:

https://www.griffith.edu.au/acdeveg2017

Conference hosts and partners:

The conference is hosted by the **Australian Council of Deans of Education Vocational Education Group (ACDEVEG)**. ACDEVEG is a working group of the Australian Council of Deans of Education (ACDE). It advises the ACDE Board and represents ACDE on Vocational Education and Training (VET) matters. ACDEVEG members are drawn from universities that deliver VET teacher-education courses. For more information about ACDEVEG please visit the webpage at: http://www.acde.edu.au/networks-and-partnerships/acde-vocational-group/

Conference partners: **Griffith University** – a leading Australian university, which through its School of Education and Professional Studies, has a strong history of adult and VET teacher education and research. The School is one of the largest education faculties in Australia and offers a range of programs focused on professional development and vocational education and training.

Conference partners: **TAFE Queensland** – the largest provider of further education and training in Queensland, offers practical, industry-relevant training to over 120,000 students annually, across more than 500 programs. TAFE Queensland is comprised of six regions and their South Bank campus, with its excellent facilities, is the conference venue.