ABOUT APTC

The Australia Pacific Training Coalition (APTC) is an innovative development program funded by the Australian Government. APTC has been providing vocational training in the Pacific since 2007 with campuses in Fiji, PNG, Samoa, Solomon Islands and Vanuatu. APTC employs qualified and experienced trainers and tutors to deliver a wide range of technical and vocational courses aimed at skilling Pacific Islanders for a variety of vocational occupations.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Application forms can be downloaded from the APTC website: www.aptc.edu.au. Go to 'COURSES' then 'Applying for a course' or contact your local APTC Office in person or via email.

Submit completed application forms to APTC through:

Email: enquiries@aptc.edu.au

Post: APTC Regional Head Office, PO Box 14319, Suva, Fiji

Person: Deliver to your local APTC Office.

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CHC51015
Diploma of Counselling

COURSE OVERVIEW

CHC51015 Diploma of Counselling reflects the role of counsellors, who work with clients on personal and psychological issues using established counselling modalities. They use communication, micro-counselling and interviewing skills and draw on varied counselling therapies to assist clients. At this level, the counsellor will be working in defined and supported counselling roles in established agencies rather than in independent practice.

Possible career opportunities for graduates include:

- Counsellor
- Support Worker
- Case Worker
- Health & Community Care Worker
- Welfare Support Worker

Graduates of this course will receive an internationally recognised Australian Qualification issued through TAFE Queensland (RTO 0275).

COURSE DELIVERY

Location: Fiji

Duration: The program will be delivered part time over 12 months. Students are expected to attend full time study blocks of three x four weeks and one x five-week, confirmed before enrolment. Additional out of hours study time will be required including reading, research tasks, reflective exercises and role plays as directed by the trainer.

Delivery Mode: Training will be delivered face to face. Block dates that students must attend full time (8.30am – 5pm) study include:

- March 4th March 29th 2019
- June 3rd June 28th 2019
- October 7th November 11th 2019
- January 20th February 22nd 2020

Some weekend attendance may also be required during study blocks

Course Fees: FJD4,500. The fee includes stationery and uniform. Limited tuition fee waiver places may be available for eligible participants.

The Australian Government subsidises the cost of the course including materials and consumables.

Course fees are subject to change without prior notification.

For current fees visit: https://www.aptc.edu.au/courses/course-fees

Entry Requirements:

- ✓ Citizen of a Pacific Island Forum country
- ✓ Have significant prior counselling experience (more than one year) or have a local qualification in counselling and limited relevant counselling experience (up to one year)
- Complete the Literacy and Numeracy Assessment and Vocational Knowledge Assessment
- ✓ It is expected that the student will be working in a paid or voluntary capacity as a counsellor whilst studying

Applicants may apply for recognition of prior learning. For further information, visit: https://www.aptc.edu.au/students/recognition-of-prior-learning.

COURSE CONTENT

CHC51015 Diploma of Counselling will cover the following units of competency:

Units of Competency	
Unit code	Unit title
CHCCSL001	Establish and confirm the counselling relationship
CHCCSL002	Apply specialist interpersonal and counselling interview skills
CHCCSL003	Facilitate the counselling relationship and process
CHCDFV001	Recognise and respond appropriately to domestic and family violence
CHCCSL004	Research and apply personality and development theories
CHCCSL005	Apply learning theories in counselling
CHCCSL006	Select and use counselling therapies
CHCCCS019	Recognise and respond to crisis situations
CHCCSM005	Develop, facilitate and review all aspects of case management
CHCCSL007	Support counselling clients in decision-making processes
CHCMHS001	Work with people with mental health issues
CHCLEG001	Work legally and ethically
CHCDIV001	Work with diverse people
CHCDIV002	Promote Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander cultural safety
CHCPRP003	Reflect on and improve own professional practice
CHCCCS017	Provide loss and grief support
CHCAOD001	Work in an alcohol and other drugs context

^{*}Bold Font indicates core units; Standard font indicates electives - 13 core plus 4 electives units

^{*}Please note: elective units of competency may vary from campus to campus depending on local industry needs