TAADEL404B Facilitate work-based learning

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Modification History
Not applicable.

Unit Descriptor
This unit specifies the outcomes required to use work effectively as a learning process.

Application of the Unit
Learning through work is an ongoing and everyday reality of being in work. However, the effectiveness of that learning can be shaped by interventions and actions that modify, direct and provide support to the workplace learner. This guided learning ensures a planned approach to learning through work activities, effective strategies to support the learning and appropriate monitoring and safeguards.

This unit addresses the processes, skills and knowledge involved in using the work process and the work environment as the basis for learning in the workplace.
Learning through work may contribute to an educational outcome, such as a qualification or Statement of Attainment; and/or a work outcome, such as learning how to use a new piece of equipment; and/or a personal outcome, such as extending an individual’s self-esteem.
Providing a guided approach to work-based learning is an essential component of any apprenticeship or traineeship arrangement and also has application in induction processes, change management processes and ongoing employee development.
The competency specified in this unit is typically required by trainers/facilitators, teachers, workplace supervisors, team leaders, human resource or industrial relations managers, consultants and any employee responsible for guiding learning through work.

Licensing/Regulatory Information
Not applicable.

Pre-Requisites
Not applicable.

Employability Skills Information
This unit contains employability skills.
Elements and Performance Criteria Pre-Content

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element. Where bold italicised text is used, further information is detailed in the required skills and knowledge section and the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

Elements and Performance Criteria

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<td>Work practices and routines are analysed to determine their effectiveness in meeting the work-based learning objectives</td>
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<td>Changes are proposed to work practices, routines and the work environment to support more effective learning, where appropriate, and discussed with relevant persons</td>
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<td>Occupational health and safety (OHS) and industrial relations implications of using work as the basis for learning are identified and addressed</td>
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<td>Develop a work-based learning pathway</td>
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<td>Organisational strategies to support the work-based learning are proposed</td>
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<td>Connections are made with the training and/or assessment organisation to integrate and monitor the external learning activities with the work-based learning pathway where relevant</td>
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2.5 The proposed work-based learning pathway is evaluated against appropriate criteria

2.6 Agreement is obtained from relevant personnel to implement the work-based learning pathway

3 Implement the work-based learning pathway

3.1 The learners’ profile and characteristics are evaluated to determine possible requirements for support

3.2 The purposes/objectives for undertaking work-based learning and the processes involved are clearly explained to the learners

3.3 The introduction of workplace tasks, activities and processes is sequenced to reflect the agreed work-based learning pathway

3.4 Agreed organisational strategies are put into effect

3.5 Relations with other work personnel affected by the work-based learning pathway are managed to ensure effective implementation

3.6 Appropriate communication and interpersonal skills are used to develop a collaborative relationship with learners

4 Monitor learning and address barriers to effective participation

4.1 Access and equity considerations are addressed, where appropriate

4.2 The readiness of the worker to participate in and/or take on new tasks and responsibilities is effectively monitored

4.3 Work performances are observed and alternative approaches suggested where needed

4.4 Learners are encouraged to take responsibility for learning and to self-reflect

4.5 Techniques for learners to demonstrate transferability of skills and knowledge are developed

4.6 OHS requirements are monitored to ensure health, safety and welfare

4.7 Feedback is provided to learners about work performance and success is communicated and
5 Review the effectiveness of the work-based learning pathway

5.1 Work performance and learning achievement are documented and recorded in accordance with legal/organisational requirements

5.2 Learners are encouraged to provide critical feedback on their learning experiences

5.3 The effectiveness of the work-based pathway is evaluated against the objectives, processes and models used

5.4 The effectiveness of any integration of work-based learning and external learning activities is assessed

5.5 Improvements and changes to work-based practice are recommended in light of the review process

Required Skills and Knowledge

Not applicable.
Evidence Guide

Overview of Assessment

To demonstrate competency against this unit candidates must be able to provide evidence that they have developed work-based learning pathways that integrate learning through work.

This includes identifying learning needs, analysing work practices, the environment and work tasks; organising and allocating work in a way that reflects the learning needs and provides effective learning opportunities, and monitoring the effectiveness of the selection of work-based learning pathway.

Evidence Requirements

Required knowledge includes:

- work organisation systems, processes, practices within the organisation where work-based learning is taking place
- operational demands of the work and impact of changes on work roles
- organisational work culture including industrial relations environment
- systems for identifying skill needs, for example:
  - performance reviews
  - training needs analysis
  - identifying additional training needs of learners
- learning principles, for example:
  - learning and experience are connected for meaning
  - adults need to know why they are learning
  - adults can self-evaluate
  - adults learn in different ways
- individual facilitation techniques to support
and guide learning
change processes, for example:
how people work through change
behaviours associated with change

introductory knowledge of different learning
styles and how to encourage learning in each,
for example:
visual learners
audio learners
kinaesthetic learners
theoretical learners

relevant policy, legislation, codes of practice
and national standards including
Commonwealth and state/territory
legislation, for example:
industrial awards
enterprise bargaining agreements
licensing requirements
industry/workplace requirements
duty of care under common law
information and confidentiality requirements
anti-discrimination including equal
opportunity, racial vilification and disability
discrimination

workplace relations
National Reporting System
OHS relating to the work role, including:
hazards relating to the industry and specific
workplace
reporting requirements for hazards and
incidents
specific procedures for work tasks
safe use and maintenance of relevant
equipment
Required skills and attributes include:

communication skills to:
- identify needs
- communicate suggestions
- give feedback constructively
- ask open-ended questions to tease out required knowledge and information
- evaluate learner profiles and characteristics
- coach learners

literacy skills to:
- read and interpret organisational documents, legal documents and contracts
- complete and maintain documentation

monitor and manage work environment and individual dynamics, for example:
- assess the climate of the group
- facilitate employee acceptance
- ensure each individual feels valued

organisational skills to:
- allocate and reorganise work
- organise changes with relevant persons
- provide guidance and feedback to individuals

cognitive skills to:
- set learning outcomes through work
- interpret and analyse competency standards and/or other performance specifications to actual work processes
design a learning process through work

**Products that could be used as evidence**

- redesigned individual/group work plans
- documented individual work-based learning pathways
- training gap identification materials
- documented reviews of work-based learning pathways
- performance management feedback

**Processes that could be used as evidence**

- how learning needs were identified and why
- how learning opportunities were matched to work
- how work was organised/reorganised to reflect learning needs
- how learning was promoted

**Resource implications for assessment**

- work opportunities
- learning opportunities in work
- time to support learner needs e.g. organised time for learner to watch work and talk with work colleagues and trainer/facilitator and reflect on learning

**The collection of quality evidence requires that:**

- assessment must address the scope of this unit and reflect all components of the unit i.e. the Elements, Performance Criteria, Range Statement, Evidence Guide, Employability Skills
- a range of appropriate assessment methods/evidence gathering techniques is used to determine competency
- evidence must be gathered in the workplace whenever possible. Where no workplace is available, a simulated workplace must be provided
- the evidence collected must relate to a number of performances assessed at different points in time and in a learning and assessment pathway these must be separated by further learning and practice
- assessment meets the rules of evidence
- a judgement of competency should only be
made when the assessor is confident that the required outcomes of the unit have been achieved and that consistent performance has been demonstrated

**Specific evidence requirements must include:**

- a minimum of two examples of developing work-based learning pathways, that includes:
  - identifying needs for learning
  - analysing work practices, work environment and work activities
  - organising and allocating work in a way that reflects the learning needs and which provides effective learning opportunities through work processes

**Integrated assessment means that:**

- this unit can be assessed alone or as part of an integrated assessment activity involving other relevant units in the TAA04 Training and Assessment Training Package.
- Suggested units include but are not limited to:
  - TAADEL403B Facilitate individual learning
  - TAADES401B Use Training Packages to meet client needs.
Range Statement

The range statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. **Bold italicised** wording, if used in the performance criteria, is detailed below. Essential operating conditions that may be present with training and assessment (depending on the work situation, needs of the candidate, accessibility of the item, and local industry and regional contexts) may also be included.

The **purpose or objectives of the work-based learning** may include:

- introduction of new technology
- new product/service
- new organisational direction/workplace change
- new position or job roles
- addressing identified skills gap/deficit
- OHS requirements
- quality improvements
- competency achievement
- part of traineeship/apprenticeship
**Appropriate personnel** may include:
- workplace supervisor/frontline manager
- training/human resources/industrial relations manager
- trainer/facilitator/assessor
- learner
- training and/or assessment organisation personnel
- group training company personnel

**Areas of work** may include:
- work or job tasks
- work activities
- processes to carry out work
- use/operation of equipment to carry out work
- projects
- team-based or individual work

**Work practices and routines** may include:
- work schedules
- work timelines
- work performance expectations
- work organisation/organisational change
- work models/multi-skilling
- work structures and systems
- operational/organisational guidelines
- OHS guidelines, systems and safeguards
- work demarcations and industrial relations concerns
- English language, literacy and numeracy (LLN) requirements

**Relevant persons** may include:
- workplace supervisor/frontline manager
- training/human resources/industrial relations manager
- union representatives/delegates
- workers whose own jobs may be affected by the proposed changes

**OHS implications** may include:
- OHS legal obligations
- workplace OHS policies and procedures
ensuring work practices, routines and proposed changes do not pose a risk to the learner and others

**Industrial relations implications** may include:

- work demarcations created through changes to work practices
- ensuring compliance with an award or enterprise bargaining agreement
- licensing requirements

An **effective work-based learning pathway** may include:

- identifying specific goals for work-based learning
- identifying job tasks or activities to be included in the learning process
- appropriate sequencing of job tasks/activities to reflect learner incremental development
- direct guidance and modelling from experienced co-workers and experts
- opportunities for practice

**Organisational strategies** may include:

- appropriate supervision during learning
- appropriate time to observe and talk to others in work
- use of co-workers to model or demonstrate tasks and activities or to teach technical terminology and language of the workplace
- use of internal work experts/mentors/coaches with whom the learner is comfortable
- sufficient time for practice
- job rotation

**Contractual requirements and responsibilities** may include:

- training plans under apprenticeships/traineeships
- Workplace English Language and Literacy (WELL) or other government funded training program requirements

**External learning activities** may include:

- external courses e.g. institution-based off-the-job components of apprenticeship/traineeship
- equipment supplier training
- online learning
conferences/seminars/workshops
self-directed learning

**Appropriate criteria** may include:

- breadth and depth
- inclusion of a range of routine and non-routine work tasks/activities
- appropriate sequencing of work tasks/activities
- sufficient learning and practice time
- capacity to address learning that underpins knowledge within the work tasks/activities
- identified relationship/synthesis with learning provided by other sources
Learners’ profiles and characteristics may include:

language, literacy and numeracy needs
specific needs
employment status
past learning experiences
work roles
level of maturity
culture

Possible requirements for support may include:

referral to an external agency for assistance with language, literacy and numeracy
use of interpreters
mentor/coach
peer support
physical support needs
other support mechanisms

Appropriate communication skills may include:

using icebreakers as appropriate
building rapport with the learner/s
using effective verbal and body language
demonstrating a capacity to communicate clearly to facilitate the individual/s learning
using critical listening and questioning techniques
giving constructive and supportive feedback
accurately interpreting verbal messages
assisting learners to paraphrase advice/instructions back to the trainer/facilitator
providing clear and concrete options/advice
using appropriate terminology and language of the industry/profession
ensuring language, literacy and numeracy (LLN) used is appropriate to learner/s

Interpersonal skills may include:

showing respect for the expertise and background of learner/s
demonstrating sensitivity to diversity, disability, culture, gender and ethnic
backgrounds
modelling facilitation and learning behaviours
engaging in two-way interaction
encouraging the expression of diverse views and opinions
negotiating complex discussions by establishing a supportive environment
using language and concepts appropriate to cultural differences
accurately interpreting non-verbal messages

Access and equity considerations may include:
minimising physical barriers
identifying and addressing direct and indirect barriers to learning
building on learner strengths
providing access to a range of resources and/or equipment
making referrals to a range of relevant agencies

Techniques for learner/s to demonstrate transferability may include:
problem solving
situated learning
hypothetical questioning
opportunities for learner/s to demonstrate autonomy in learning
opportunities for learner/s to apply the knowledge and skills in different contexts

OHS requirements may include:
reporting procedures
emergency procedures

Feedback may include:
performance reviews
formal or informal group or individual discussions
Unit Sector(s)
Not applicable.

Competency Field
Delivery and Facilitation