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Upskilling the Auto Industry with MTA Queensland's VET Trainer Scholarship

The Motor Trades Association of Queensland (MTA Queensland) is pleased to announce that applications for its VET Trainer Scholarship are now open!

Launched back in 2021 to help address the industry's skill shortage, the VET Trainer Scholarship provides two ambitious technicians the opportunity to undertake a TAE40122 - Certificate IV in Training and Assessment, valued at over \$3,000.

Designed to teach the skills and knowledge to deliver training in the vocational education and training sector, participants will learn skills in designing, conducting, and assessing, while also receiving knowledge on how to facilitate and evaluate the impacts of various programs.

Each round, one female and one male candidate will have the chance to undertake the highly sought after course and take the next step in their career.

"MTA Queensland is dedicated to advancing careers within the industry and has successfully supported twelve individuals to achieve their goal of becoming qualified automotive trainers", said MTA Group CEO Rod Camm.

"As technology continues to evolve, the need for highly skilled professionals in the automotive field becomes increasingly critical. By investing in the education and training of automotive professionals, MTA Queensland is playing a pivotal role in shaping the future of the industry, ensuring it remains robust, competitive, and capable of addressing the challenges of tomorrow."

The scholarship is open to all Queensland-based, trade-qualified automotive professionals who possess at least 5-years post-apprenticeship experience in any of the following automotive areas – Light Vehicle, Heavy Vehicle, Auto Electrical, Motorcycle, Mobile Plant, Agricultural, Parts Interpreting, Outdoor Power Equipment, Automotive Body Repair & Refinishing, and Underbody.

Applications will close 11:59pm on 31 August 2024.

Click HERE to find out more.

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Background:

The Motor Trades Association of Queensland (MTA Queensland) is the peak body representing the interests of employers in the retail, repair, and service sectors of Queensland's automotive industry. MTA Queensland has been performing its vital representative role for the automotive industry since 1929. In Queensland there are some 16,000 automotive businesses employing more than 90,000 people, that generate more than \$7.24 billion to the state economy annually. The automotive industry is estimated to contribute \$37 billion to the Australian economy each year. The Association represents and promotes issues of relevance to all levels of government. In 2019 MTA Queensland was announced as an ABA100 winner in The Australian Business Awards and a finalist in the Lord Mayor's Business Awards, for Business Innovation.

The MTA Institute (RTO 31529) is the leading automotive training provider in Queensland offering nationally recognised training, covering technical, retail and the aftermarket sectors of the automotive industry. The MTA Institute is the largest independent automotive training provider in Queensland, employing experienced trainers who are geographically dispersed from Cairns to the Gold Coast and Toowoomba to Emerald. In the last year, the MTA Institute delivered accredited courses to more than 2,000 students. The MTA Institute is the first trade RTO in Australia to be approved under the ITECA Industry Certification Program and was the winner of the Small Training Provider of the Year at the 2019 Queensland Training Awards.

MTAiQ, Australia's first automotive innovation hub established by MTA Queensland in 2017, is an ecosystem that supports innovation and research for the motor trades.