

The Commonwealth Prac Payment (CPP) in Vocational Education and Training (VET) is a grant from the Australian Government to help eligible Diploma of Nursing students manage the costs associated with undertaking mandatory prac placements as part of their qualification.

From 1 July 2025, eligible students will be able to access **\$331.65** per week during their placement. This amount changes each year on 1 January to match the Austudy single rate.

The eligibility criteria for CPP (VET) includes:



being a **domestic student**



doing at least 30 hours per week at a full-time mandatory **prac placement**



meeting a **need to work** test

Need to work

The need to work test requires that a student

either

be receiving an eligible income support payment (such as Austudy, ABSTUDY, the Disability Support Pension or certain Department of Veterans' Affairs payments),

or

have worked an average of more than 60 hours over a continuous 4-week period during the most recent study period before applying and has not earned more than \$1,500 per week (before tax) during that time.

CPP (VET) payments

- ✓ Students use the **Your Career Portal** on the Your Career website to apply for and manage CPP (VET) payments.
- ✓ When first applying, students can receive a grant covering up to **a maximum of 400 hours** mandatory prac placement.
- ✓ After a student's grant application and first payment are approved, students **must reapply** for additional payments each time they begin a new prac placement.

Support

For more information on CPP (VET), including how to apply, visit

yourcareer.gov.au/cpp