



Australian Government

**AUSTRALIAN
TRAINING
AWARDS**

REAL STORIES. REAL ACHIEVEMENTS.



CHARLTON BROWN®

2015 INTERNATIONAL TRAINING PROVIDER OF THE YEAR

The International Training Provider of the Year Award recognises a registered training organisation that has demonstrated outstanding a achievement in all aspects of the delivery of vocational education and training to full-fee paying international students in Australia.

CHARLTON BROWN® is a registered training organisation specialising in training in community services areas ranging from early childhood education to aged care. It has over 1500 students in Australia, of whom about 12 per cent are international students from many countries.

When CHARLTON BROWN® won the International Training Provider of the Year Award at the 2015 Australian Training Awards, owner and CEO, Kay Ganley saw first-hand how well the awards are regarded internationally.

"It's reinforced the confidence our overseas contacts have in dealing with us," she says.

Kay also saw the impact of the win on her 60 staff. "There was a real buzz in the college — staff felt rewarded and there was a collective increase in confidence, which

is important in international education."

Apart from their campus experiences, CHARLTON BROWN®'s work placements ensure their international students are thoroughly work ready. The college also offers Australia-wide opportunities that provide experiences of Australian culture while working and studying.

However, the college's international program is not only about inbound students. CHARLTON BROWN® also delivers Australian qualifications through partner organisations in countries including China, Indonesia and the Philippines. It also sends students abroad on its global linkages program.

"Students can do work placements in orphanages and aged care facilities in Vietnam and Sri Lanka, which they describe as life changing

experiences. While learning about that country, they also contribute to making a difference in people's lives."

This variety of international vocational education activities gives CHARLTON BROWN® a perspective that informs the whole college's approach to training.

Kay is passionate about Australia's VET system and says this award will help in her quest to make Australians aware that it has a great system.

"Not enough people know the benefits skilled training is providing to the Australian economy. Neighbouring countries are crying out for skilled training and want to replicate our system. We can be a bit tough on ourselves — any system needs to review and adjust, but we need to recognise that ours really is very good."

ABOUT THE AUSTRALIAN TRAINING AWARDS

Each year, the Australian Training Awards recognise and celebrate the outstanding achievements of Australian Apprentices, vocational students, training practitioners, businesses, secondary schools, industry and registered training organisations for their contribution to skilling Australia.

The majority of the awards are the culmination of the state and territory awards programs with winners from each state and territory eligible to compete at the national level in aligned categories.

There are also seven award categories available by entering directly to the Australian Training Awards.

Individual

- Lifetime Achievement Award (**direct entry**)
- National Achievement Award (**direct entry**)
- Excellence in Language, Literacy and Numeracy Practice Award (**direct entry**)
- Australian School-based Apprentice of the Year Award
- Vocational Student of the Year Award
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student of the Year Award
- Australian Apprentice (Trainee) of the Year Award
- Australian Apprentice of the Year Award
- VET Teacher/Trainer of the Year Award

Business

- Australian Apprenticeships – Employer Award (**direct entry**)
- Small Employer of the Year Award** (**direct entry**)
- Medium Employer of the Year Award
- Large Employer of the Year Award
- Industry Collaboration Award

Registered Training Organisation

- School Pathways to VET Award (**direct entry**)
- International Training Provider of the Year Award* (**direct entry**)
- Small Training Provider of the Year Award
- Large Training Provider of the Year Award

* Applications for this award are made directly to the Australian Training Awards in all states and territories except Western Australia where applications must be made direct to the WA Training Awards.

** Businesses registered in Queensland, Tasmania and the ACT must apply for the Small Employer of the Year Award through the relevant 2016 state or territory training awards. Businesses registered in New South Wales, South Australia, Victoria, Western Australia and the Northern Territory must apply directly to the Australian Training Awards.

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WHY APPLY?

The awards offer participants Australia-wide recognition for exceptional training outcomes and an opportunity to become known as the best-of-the-best, nationally.

For individuals, the awards can open up networks and career opportunities within the business sector and provide you with the opportunity to become a national ambassador for skills to promote the vocational education and training sector at a national level.

For businesses and registered training organisations, the awards can propel you into the national spotlight, positioning you as a front runner in skills and workforce development and leader in best practice. This will set you apart from the competition and make you an employer or registered training organisation of choice.

