

Australian Government





AUS4SKILLS

Promoting human resouces and skills development (particularly skills for modern industry and innovation), is one of three breakthrough areas highlighted in Vietnam's Socio-Economic Development Strategy 2011-2020. Vietnam has achieved significant improvements in access to, and quality of, primary and secondary education in recent years. However, many challenges still exist. The tertiary education sector, including vocational education, is characterised by a disconnect between the demands of the labour market and the relevance and quality of training. Access to tertiary education, particularly the higher quality institutions, is inequitable, particularly for ethnic minorities, people with disability and those based in rural areas. There remains a shortage of workers in Vietnam with the right skills to meet industry needs. Women continue to be less likely to have a post-graduate education or hold a decision-making position in government.

What Australia is doing

Vietnam needs a knowledgeable and highly skilled workforce to sustain the country's economic growth and social development. To achieve this, Australia will support Vietnam by investing in professional and technical knowledge, skills and competencies, assisting workplaces to make good use of those enhanced skills, and nurturing enduring links with Australia.

Expected Results

- Demonstrate how Australia's industry-led approach to skills development could be adapted in Vietnam to increase industry engagement in vocational education and training (VET) and produce training curriculum that aligns graduates' skills with workforce demands.
- Partner universities in the northern mountainous region have improved leadership and management capabilities; revised curriculum that meets local employers' needs; and inclusive teaching practices that supports the academic success of ethnic minority students.
- More Vietnamese receive a high quality post-graduate qualification through Australia Awards Scholarships to study in Australia.
- Australia and Vietnam develop stronger and sustainable partnerships between individuals and organisations, including through alumni support and engagement.
- Increased opportunities for women to provide formal input to organisational decision making and more women will be promoted to leadership positions.

For more information, visit http://www.australiaawardsvietnam.org/index.php/en/

Fast Facts

Since February 2016, nearly 400
Australia Award Short Course
awards have been provided to
Vietnamese citizens, and more than
2,000 Vietnamese participants have
attended skills training under the
Aus4Skills program

Funding

AUD 38 million; plus an additional AUD 45 million for 300 Master scholarships

Duration

2016 - 2020

Partners

- Ministry of Education and Training
- The Ministry of Labour Invalids and Social Affairs
- Ho Chi Minh National Academy of Politics
- Vietnamese and Australian private sector, and tertiary institutions
- Coffey International Development Pty Ltd

Project sites

Nation wide



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