DISTANCE MODE

CHC30213 Certificate III in Education Support &
CHC40213 Certificate IV in Education Support

STRUCTURED AND SUPPORTED STUDY FROM
THE COMFORT OF YOUR OWN HOME
What are the benefits of enrolling in a distance or online mode of study? Distance mode (also known as online mode) is the most popular study method today. It offers maximum flexibility so you can study when and where you want. Schedule your study around your work, family and other commitments so you don’t have to make sacrifices. Distance students can attend live webinars, watch pre-recorded webinars and lectures, attend tutorials and contact their trainer any time for support. Distance mode does not mean going it alone.

What services are available to distance or online students? Students have full access to all of FTTA’s support and academic services including the option to attend tutorials on a weekly basis, access to pre-recorded webinars and lectures, access to live webinars each week held by expert trainers, and all of our quality support materials such as learner guides, e-books and research papers. All students can contact their trainer at any stage for phone or face-to-face support.

How is the course structured? Students follow a structured learning program with support from expert trainers and assessors who can easily be contacted at any stage. The course is divided into clusters which are studied one at a time. Each cluster consists of a learning component and an assessment component. Towards the end of the course, all students are required to complete a placement in a local school for a minimum of 100 hours.

How much time do I need to study each week? The course is designed to be completed in 26 weeks or over a longer time period for part-time students or those with additional needs. Most students study between 10 and 25 hours per week including classes, tutorials, webinars, online lectures, readings, placement, and assessment activities. As the course is largely self-paced, students can choose how much time they dedicate to their studies each week.

What activities do I complete as part of the course? The course is structured in an easy to follow, user-friendly manner. Students regularly access their online portal in order to watch videos and lectures, attend live webinars, read learner guides and other materials, and complete a range of interactive activities to complement their learning. Once the learning portion of a cluster is complete, students can begin the relevant assessment. The placement is completed towards the end of the course in a local school.

What is the difference between class-based mode and distance or online mode? Class-based students complete exactly the same assessments and follow exactly the same structure as distance or online students. However, class-based students attend a series of weekly workshops. Each workshop covers a main topic in the course. Distance or online students generally do not attend classes but instead watch almost identical live or pre-recorded webinars that are available for download at any time. All students have access to the same learning materials, can attend regular tutorials, and can contact their trainer for support at any stage.

I am an online student. Can I attend one or more classes? Yes. However, please speak with your trainer first to ensure there are spaces available. Also note that we hold regular live webinars and face-to-face tutorials, and both are absolutely free of charge. Attend as many as you can – the more the better. Students can also access our pre-recorded lectures and videos.

Can I change from class-based mode to online? Yes.