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NEW FREE COURSES TO SUPPORT NSW IN PANDEMIC

A total of 13 new fee-free TAFE NSW short courses are available online to assist anyone across the State who wants to upskill during the COVID-19 pandemic, following an overwhelming response to the initial suite of courses announced earlier this month.

The NSW Government will use these new courses to replace those which have reached enrolment capacity to ensure there are still 21 accredited courses available for people to study through TAFE NSW.

Premier Gladys Berejiklian said around 85,000 people had enrolled in the fee-free courses since they were announced three weeks ago to assist job seekers and workers.

"The incredible uptake to the initial 21 fee-free short courses shows that while many businesses across NSW are in hibernation there is a strong desire to upskill and gain new qualifications during this challenging time," Ms Berejiklian said.

"Some courses have reached their capacity for now so they have been replaced with new courses so that we can continue to provide opportunities for people to upskill during this time."

The 13 new short courses include:

- Leading Teams;
- Digital Security Basics;
- Build your Digital Literacy with Coding;
- Create a Brand Presentation; and
- Undertaking Projects and Managing Risk.

Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education Geoff Lee said more than 33,000 people who enrolled in the fee-free courses were studying at TAFE NSW for the very first time.

"The NSW Government is committed to providing opportunities for people to upskill so that they can get the promotion or job they want once this pandemic ends. I encourage everyone to use this time to increase their skills," Mr Lee said.

Please click here for more information about studying fee-free courses at TAFE NSW.

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