



The Aquaculture for the future program supports Western Australian aquaculture operators to be better future ready.

WA's aquaculture industry relies on favourable environmental and economic conditions – which in today's climate, are rapidly changing. This training program helps aquaculture businesses navigate the changes ahead and prepare for an uncertain landscape.

This program provides subsidised, expert-informed training to help businesses strengthen strategic planning, manage risk, and build long-term resilience. It's a valuable opportunity for businesses to connect with peers, learn from experts, and plan for a thriving future.

Backed by the Australian Government's Future Drought Fund and WA's Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development, this initiative is part of the broader Farm Business Resilience Program.

Program highlights

- Flexible and inclusive training designed to meet the unique needs of WA aquaculture businesses
- Support to (re)develop a future ready farm business plan
- Access to in-person and online workshops, self-paced modules, additional fit-for-purpose resources, and one-on-one business coaching
- Opportunities to connect and learn from other aquaculture operators and businesses in the growing WA aquaculture industry

<u>Key info</u>

To be eligible to apply, you must:

1. Be a registered aquaculture business (existing or prospective) operating in WA

2. Commit to attend training delivered between mid-September to mid-October (dates and details TBC based on participant location)

This training program is subsidised. A travel bursary is also available to support participant attendance of in-person workshops. The cost to successful applicants is \$500 as registration fee to secure their place in the program.

Participation is limited, early expressions of interest are encouraged. Program registration will close once limited places are filled – a waitlist will be developed following.

Submit your expression of interest here

aquaculturecouncilwa.com/aquacultureforthefuture

Aquaculture for the future is an initiative of the Aquaculture Council of Western Australia Inc. ACWA is the incorporated peak body for the Western Australian aquaculture industry and is a member-driven organisation working to provide strategic leadership for the sustainable development of the aquaculture industry. ACWA is recognised as the industry leader in WA.



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Expert-informed training, delivered to the needs of today's WA aquaculture industry, includes:

- building skills to plan for uncertainty in your business
- viewing long-term growth, investment readiness, and operational resilience
- understanding climate risks to your aquaculture sector
- identifying potentially missed business strengths and weaknesses
- exploring how technology and innovation can support operations
- learning how better marketing and storytelling can advance your business

Flexible training to accommodate the realities of working in a dynamic industry:

- in-person workshops*
- online webinars
- self-paced online modules
- tailored learning and support resources
- one-on-one business coaching

Opportunities to connect and learn from other aquaculture businesses include:

- in-person events
- online webinars
- membership in the Aquaculture for the future online community platform

<u>FAQ</u>

1. How many people from my business can participate? The \$500 registration fee covers up to 2 participants per business - an additional registration fee of \$500 applies per additional participant.

2. How long is the EOI process?

EOIs will be reviewed and accepted on a rolling basis until all places have been filled. Applicants will receive an outcome within 2 weeks of submission.

3. When and where will the training take place?

The core components of the training (workshops) will be delivered between mid-September and mid-October in locations that reflect the locations of participants accepted into the program. These details will be confirmed by mid-August.

*4. Will I have to attend the training in-person?

Participants are required to attend a 2-day in-person workshop which will be delivered in 3 locations in WA. The workshop dates and locations will be confirmed by mid-August based on participant location.



Apply here

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