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Skills Development Centre



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Increasing the number of entrants into the trimming sector through the "Take a Seat With Us" initiative

VACC is pleased to represent automotive as one of the five industries that comprise the Multi-Industry Collaboration Group (MICG), helping to steer this new project. The 'Take A Seat With Us' taster program is a 12-week innovative course created specifically to teach students practical, hands on skills in upholstery/automotive and marine trimming.

Developed by the five leading industries – automotive, caravan, boating, furniture and specialised textiles – and delivered by training provider Holmesglen Institute, this course is so unique that it is simply not offered anywhere else in Australia.

Classes are limited to 16 students per cohort to ensure that participants get the best learning experience possible. Not only do they learn hands on, practical skills, but the course features meet and greets with industry experts, excursions to tour manufacturing sites at businesses across multiple industries and learning and working at the training facility at Holmesglen Institute, Chadstone.

The first group of students are already in-training and we are looking for employers in this sector who can offer any of the following:

- Work placement for program participants during the program
- Workplace visits for participants to see what happens in their business
- Employment opportunities (including apprenticeships) to graduates from the program.

To register your interest in participating in this great new program please contact the Skills Development Centre at

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