

AQF LEVEL	AQF LEVEL 5 CRITERIA –	PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES
	DIPLOMA	
PURPOSE	The Diploma qualifies individuals who apply integrated technical and theoretical concepts in a broad range of contexts to undertake advanced skilled or paraprofessional work and as a pathway for further learning	
KNOWLEDGE	Graduates of a Diploma will have technical and theoretical knowledge and concepts, with depth in some areas within a field of work and learning	<ul> <li>Graduates of the Diploma of Applied Financial Advice will have</li> <li>the foundation knowledge required to proceed to study in a broader body of knowledge that underpins theory, practice and professionalism in areas such as financial markets, investments, taxation, risk management, retirement and estate planning and behavioural finance.</li> <li>technical and theoretical knowledge of ethical principles, standards and practices in the provision of professional financial advice.</li> <li>foundational knowledge required to work in a wide range of settings in the financial advice industry.</li> </ul>



## SKILLS

Graduates of a Diploma will have:

- cognitive and communication skills to identify, analyse, synthesise and act on information from a range of sources
- cognitive, technical and communication skills to analyse, plan, design and evaluate approaches to unpredictable problems and/or management requirements
- specialist technical and creative skills to express ideas and perspectives
- communication skills to transfer knowledge and specialised skills to others and demonstrate understanding of knowledge

Graduates of the Diploma of Applied Financial Advice will have:

- cognitive, technical and creative skills to investigate, analyse and synthesise information, problems, concepts and theories.
- cognitive and technical skills to seek and reflect on performance feedback to identify and action learning opportunities and self-improvements.
- skills to communicate financial concepts and ideas in collaborative contexts including peers, financial advice professionals, other professionals, government, community and clients.



## APPLICATION OF KNOWLEDGE & SKILLS

Graduates of a Diploma will demonstrate the application of knowledge and skills:

- with depth in some areas of specialisation, in known or changing contexts
- to transfer and apply theoretical concepts and/or technical and/or creative skills in a range of situations
- with personal responsibility and autonomy in performing complex technical operations with responsibility for own outputs in relation to broad parameters for quantity and quality
- with initiative and judgement to organise the work of self and others and plan, coordinate and evaluate the work of teams within broad but generally well-defined parameters

Graduates of the Diploma of Applied Financial Advice will be able to apply foundation knowledge, theory and skills from related business disciplines including accounting, finance and economics and a broader set of related disciplines including business management, psychology or communications to problems and practices in the discipline of Financial Planning:

- with initiative and judgement in planning, problem solving and decision making in financial markets, investments, taxation, risk management, retirement and estate planning and behavioural finance and related areas of financial advice practice and/or scholarship.
- to make independent judgements in a range of introductory financial advice scenarios related to professional practice.
- to solve financial advice problems using social, ethical, economic, regulatory and global perspectives with guidance.
- in diverse contexts with responsibility and accountability for own learning and professional practice and in collaboration with others within broad parameters.