

Asylum Seeker VET Program

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The ASVET Team

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Two sites:

Asylum Seeker Resource Centre - Footscray

Refugee Resource Hub - Dandenong

What is ASVET?

ASVET is a Victorian State Government funded initiative which supports eligible people seeking asylum, and refugees, to gain access to Skills First Victoria' Skills First VET courses at a subsidised rate.

To enrol candidates must hold either Bridging Visa E, (BVE) Temporary Protection Visa (TPV), Safe Haven Enterprise Visa (SHEV) or **Humanitarian Stay (Temporary) (Subclass 449) - new 2022**

Eligible people may enrol in Skills First certificates in:

- Foundation Studies (EAL, VCE)
- VET Certificate levels I to IV
- Diplomas and Advanced Diplomas

Other Victorian Initiatives available for those eligible for ASVET funding

Job Trainer subsidies

<https://www.myskills.gov.au/jobtrainer/VIC?js=2>

Free TAFE for Priority Courses subsidies

<https://www.vic.gov.au/free-tafe>

ACFE - Adult, Community and Further Education (ACFE)

<https://www.vic.gov.au/asylum-seeker-vet-program>

Accessed via referral from a Jobs Victoria Employment Service Partner

Enrolment

- Can enrol directly as an ASVET student with an RTO offering Skills First to access subsidised places, Job Trainer or Free TAFE for Priority courses.
- ASRC can provide a letter of introduction if requested
- Adult, Community and Further Education (ACFE) enrolment through Jobs Victoria
- Program values supporting people seeking asylum to make informed choices about their education pathway options

ASRC Activities

Advisory appointments:

- ❖ One on one with Education advisors - goals, planning, logistics and financial impact
- ❖ Navigate funding initiatives
- ❖ Liaising with Training Organisations (RTOs) as needed
- ❖ Follow up

Education and community services sector

- ❖ Events: Forums and professional development workshops
- ❖ Manage and maintain smooth enrolment processes and pathways
- ❖ Explore the impact of new government policies + current events
- ❖ Develop and maintain partnerships between organisations
- ❖ Share information, challenges and strategies

Enrollment numbers 2021 Calendar year

Department of Education and Training overall data

550 enrolled

313 commenced in 2021

237 students continuing their courses

ASRC Referral data

503 appointments booked with

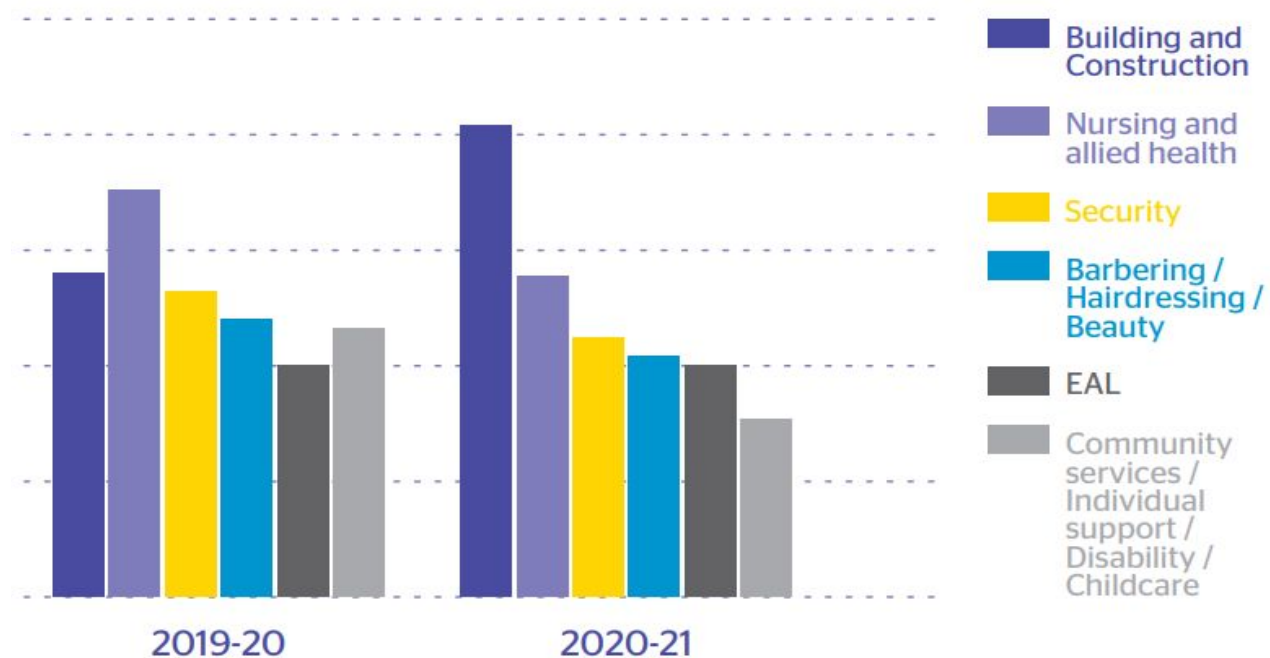
333 potential students,

232 referrals provided

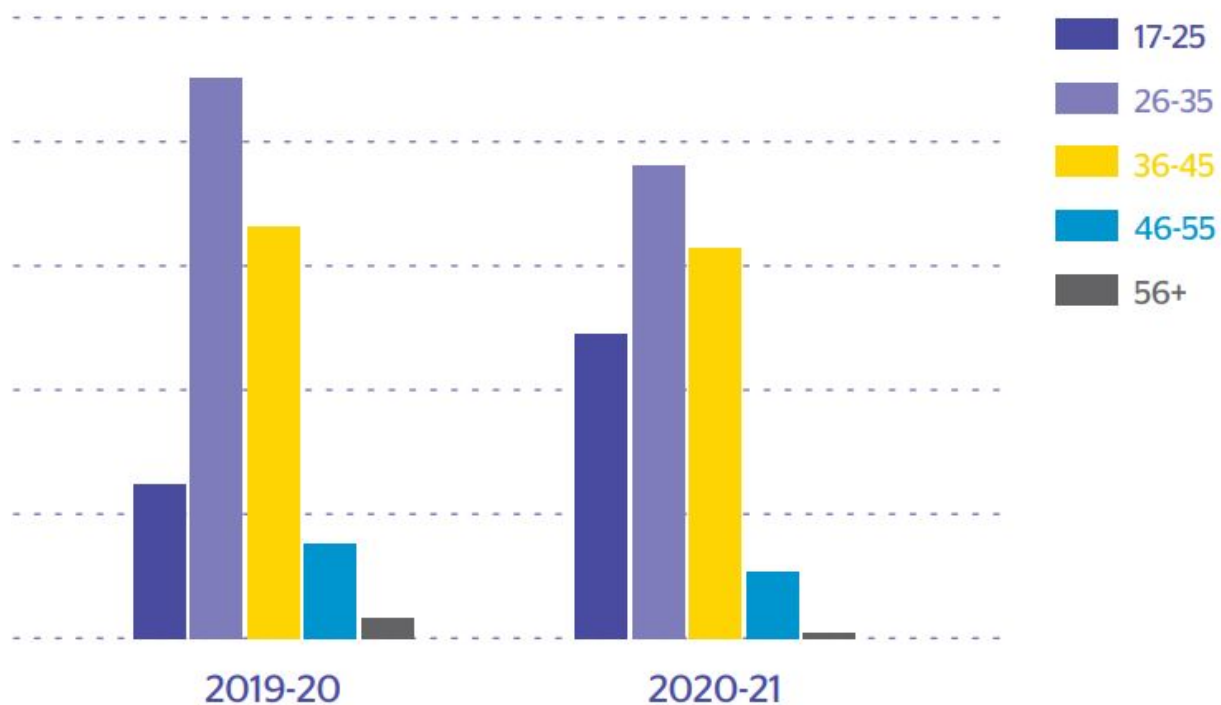
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Course types

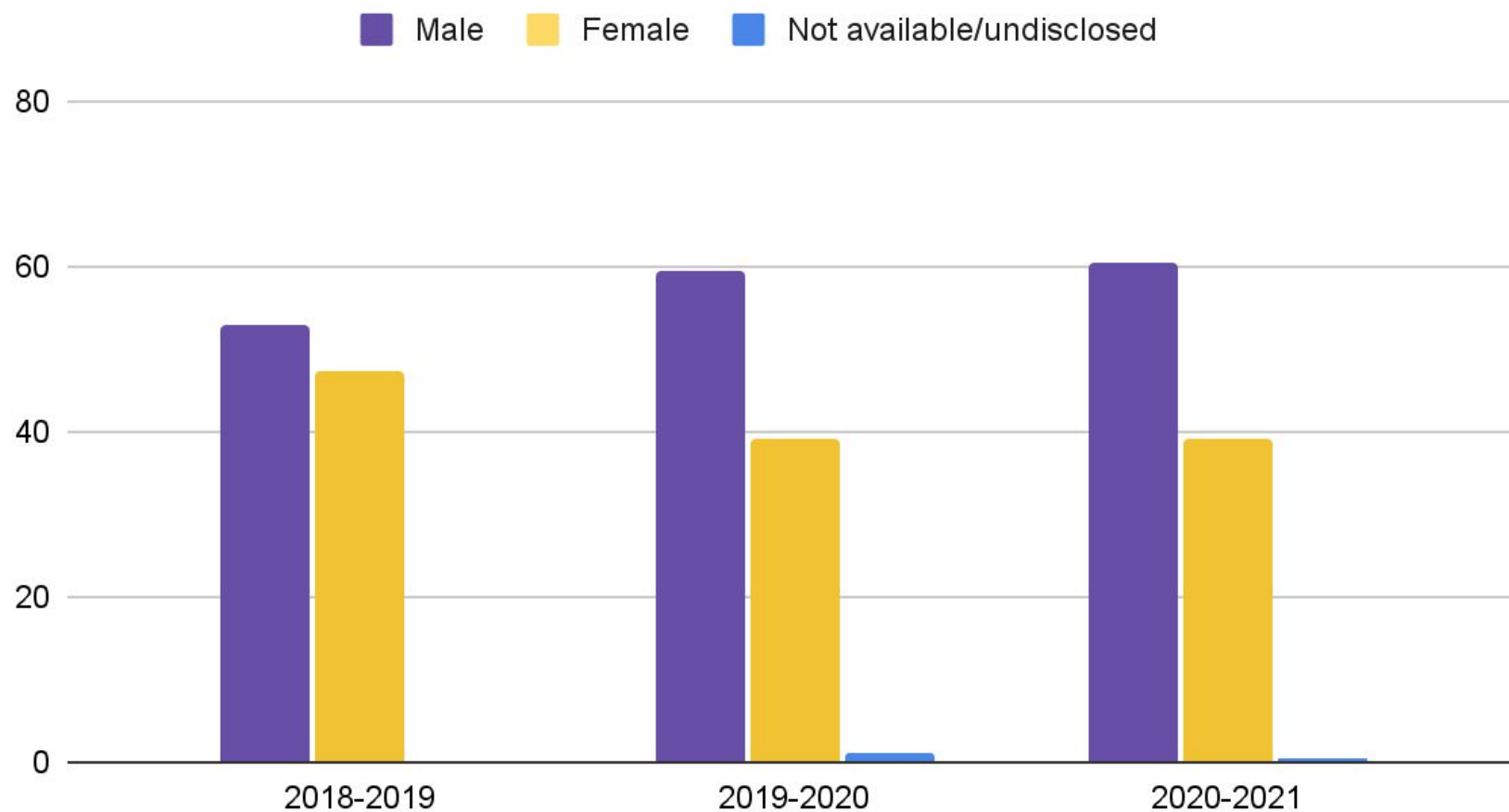


Ages of applicants



Gender

Gender 2018-2021



Significant priority areas

- student web page
- understanding of apprenticeships and access
- support for school leavers
- Professional Development
- Networking and Peer Support

Contact us

Call: 9274 9834 and 9273 9807

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Dandenong Office - Refugee Resource Hub

Tuesday + Thursday

Foosetracy Office - Asylum Seeker Resource Centre

Monday to Friday



Thank you!

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