

What is my census date?

The Census date is the most important date for a South West TAFE student to know about.

The Census Date is the last day you can:

- 1- Complete the eCAF application to access a VET Student Loan (VETSL)
- 2- Withdraw your enrolment **without** incurring the cost or debt for your course

NB: the census date can vary between individual courses

Every part of course (unit or subject) has its own census date, so a student will incur their debt as they progress through the course, not the entire course cost at the beginning.

The following census dates apply to all units of study on SWTAFE's 2021 VET Student Loan Course Schedules.

Study Period	Census Dates (Last withdrawal date)	Last Enrolment Dates	Teaching End Dates
Full Year A	Friday 9 April 2021	Friday 26 March 2021	Friday 9 April 2021
Full Year B	Friday 11 June 2021	Friday 28 May 2021	Friday 11 June 2021
Full Year C	Friday 13 Aug 2021	Friday 30 July 2021	Friday 13 Aug 2021
Sem 1A	Friday 5 Mar 2021	Friday 19 February 2021	Friday 5 Mar 2021
Sem 1B	Friday 9 April 2021	Friday 26 March 2021	Friday 9 April 2021
Sem 1C	Friday 7 May 2021	Friday 23 April 2021	Friday 7 May 2021
Comm Term 2A	Friday 7 May 2021	Friday 23 April 2021	Friday 7 May 2021
Comm Term 2B	Friday 28 May 2021	Friday 14 May 2021	Friday 28 May 2021
Comm Term 2C	Friday 9 July 2021	Friday 25 June 2021	Friday 9 July 2021
Comm Sem 2A	Friday 13 Aug 2021	Friday 30 July 2021	Friday 13 Aug 2021
Comm Sem 2B	Friday 17 Sept 2021	Friday 3 Sept 2021	Friday 17 Sept 2021
Comm Sem 2C	Friday 29 Oct 2021	Friday 15 October 2021	Friday 29 Oct 2021
Comm Term 4A	Friday 29 Oct 2021	Friday 15 October 2021	Friday 29 Oct 2021
Comm Term 4B	Friday 19 Nov 2021	Friday 5 November 2021	Friday 19 Nov 2021
Comm Term 4C	Friday 17 Dec 2021	Friday 3 December 2021	Friday 17 Dec 2021
VSL Cross Years A	Friday 29 Nov 2021	Friday 15 October 2021	Friday 29 Nov 2021
VSL Cross Years B	Friday 11 March 2022	Friday 24 Feb 2022	Friday 11 March 2022
VSL Cross Years C	Friday 22 May 2022	Friday 7 May 2022	Friday 22 May 2022

What happens if I withdraw on or before the census date?

If you correctly withdraw from any unit on or before the census date, you will not incur a debt for that part of your course. If you have already made an upfront payment of your tuition fees, you will receive a refund from South West TAFE. For further information please refer to *PPP153 VET Student Loans Refund Guidelines*

What happens if I withdraw after the census date?

Fail the unit or withdraw incorrectly after the census date and you will incur a HELP debt to the Australian Government.

If after the census date, special circumstances occur and you are unable to continue your studies, you can apply to have your HELP balance re-credited and your VETSL Student Loan debt removed for that unit(s).

Please refer to *PPP153 VET Student Loans Refund Guidelines* for further information.

For more information on VET Student Loans visit
www.studyassist.gov.au OR www.employment.gov.au/vet-student-loans