

General Information

South Metropolitan TAFE is proud of its commitment to providing support services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Students and have a committed team who work to support everyone along their learning journey and help understand and adapt to TAFE life. Our services include:

- Study and Tutorial Assistance (STA)
- Cultural support
- Pastoral care and advocacy
- Course enquiry, application, and enrolment assistance
- Staff and Student liaison
- Referrals to both internal and external support services

Study and Tutorial Support (STA)

Study and Tutorial Assistance (STA) is a free service to help develop skills and prepare for assessments. Students are matched with a Support Assistant who will assist with goal setting and study skills, interpreting course content, time management and assessment planning. Students can access three hours per week STA either in-class or one to one outside of scheduled class times.

Koora Marr and Kadadjiny Mia

We recognise the importance of identity and cultural awareness and have established two Aboriginal Learning Centres that are socially safe environments where Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Students can feel physically, spiritually, and emotionally protected. , Students are welcome to use these facilities before, during and after classes.

Koora Marr is located at our Thornlie Campus situated alongside the Djarlgarra Beeliar (Canning River). Being home to both mammal and marine life, the Kwooyar (frog) can be seen on the banks of the waterway is the Centre's adopted logo. Kadadjiny Mia translates as 'Knowledge House' and is located at our Rockingham Campus. The building is wrapped in a mural painted by Jade Dolman Penangke and has many artefacts and pieces such as boomerangs, clapsticks and woomeras displayed in the building.

Both Centres feature training rooms and meeting spaces with access to computers, wi-fi and kitchen facilities. Open from 7.30am to 4.00pm

Referrals

Team members can assist with referrals to a range of government and external agencies and services including culturally safe and appropriate community groups and health and well-being service providers.

Contact us

To find out more about Aboriginal Student Support Services:

- Email: AS.Support@smtafe.wa.edu.au
- Online: Student Hub - find us under the Support tab
- Text your Name and Campus to: 0488 596 104 and a team member will respond