

## What does 'Centre of Excellence' mean?

For providers looking to apply for COE status the pre-requisite to apply is to have achieved Outstanding in the previous year and have maintained it through the year.

To be eligible to become a Centre of Excellence requires the training provider to satisfy and evidence the following criteria:

Criteria	Evidence
Stand alone, dedicated, independent, teaching infrastructure	Classrooms - temperature controlled, AV equipped, furnished with study chairs, teaching podium, white board, skeleton model lab - fully equipped gym floor with free weights, selectorised and plate loaded equipment, treadmill, non-impact cardio machines, body fat analysis machines, fitness testing tools
Audio-Visual surveillance	All classrooms and labs under Audio-Visual surveillance, recorded and monitored for providing feedback to faculty for improvements as an Internal Quality Assurance measure
In-house training academy	In-house faculty and assessor training departments with comprehensive training of Tutor, Assessor and Internal Quality assurer incorporating all Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs)
Digital assessments and use of technology	Digital assessments, via assessments software, Student App.
Specialised research faculty for Exercise Science	Pure Science, Nutrition & Special Populations
Student:tutor ratio	Practical Training Teacher to Student ratio as ideal 1:5 but not to exceed 1:7.
Learning hours	Face to face, classroom and lab learning hours to be a minimum of 200 hours.
CRM system	Fully functional CRM system for student data management with reporting.