



Small Professional Development (PD) Grant Application Form

A small professional development grant is for a limited series of workshops or one-off training.

Before you start to fill in this application form please read the *ACE Professional Development Grants – Information Guide* to check if you are eligible to apply and understand the funding criteria. Please read the [Tertiary Education Strategy 2025-2030](#) (see the Ministry of Education's website) so you can align this application with education objectives.

Please contact us to discuss your ideas and for help with filling in the application form. Email us at grants@aceaotearoa.org.nz or call 04 473 6625.

SECTION 1 Eligibility

Please answer all the following questions: *Check Yes or No*

YES	NO	
		Are you a charitable and non-profit organisation or community group?
		Are you an education provider or community group that provides ACE services?
		Do you have a focus on improving learning for ACE learners?
		Do you focus on reducing barriers to education for Māori and Pacific learners, disabled learners and/or those with learning support needs?
		Do your workshops or one-off training meet the definition of professional development ? <i>Learning to increase the level of skill and effectiveness of educators and adult and community learning services</i>
		Are you working together with others through at least one of the following: • Two or more providers or community groups working together • Two or more regional offices working together
		Does your organisation fit within the ACE sector?
		Will this series of workshops or one-off training be completed within 12 months?

Note: If you have answered NO to any of the above, you do not meet the criteria to be eligible for a PD grant. Do not continue to complete this application.

SECTION 2 General details

Organisation name Name the lead organisation for this application.	
Contact person Name and position of the person we can contact for this application.	
Email address	Daytime phone number
Postal address	
Brief description of your services You may refer to your vision, mission and strategic goals or provide a summary of what you do.	
A description of your organisation's link to Adult and Community Education (ACE) Please describe how your organisation links to ACE – for example providing adult learning, lifelong learning services, working with adults in education.	

SECTION 3 Workshops or one-off training details

3.1 What do you want funding for? Tell us in detail about the workshops or one-off training.				
3.2 How many workshops do you expect to undertake?				
<i>check</i>				
This funding can be used for a series of workshops or one-off training.	1	2	3	4 or more
3.3 What do you expect the participants to learn by the end of workshops/training? Learning objectives are clear statements of the expectations that you have for the participants by the end of training.				

3.4 When do you plan to start your workshops or training?**3.5 When do you expect your workshops or training to be completed?**

3.6 Who is this training for?

Please identify who the training will be for.

Please list two or more:

- providers or community groups working together

OR

- regional offices working together
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3.7 Who will deliver the training?

Tell us the name of the facilitators, tutors or experts who will deliver the training with a brief description of their experience and/or qualification.

3.8 How will you evaluate your workshops or training?

Tell us how you will measure how well your workshops or training went? For example, observe participation during the activity, will you ask people at the end, use an evaluation form, video interviews, online survey? How will you use this information to make improvements to your service?

SECTION 4 Priority criteria

4.1 Which priority does your workshop or training focus on?

Ensure you read the Tertiary Education Strategy so you clearly understand how your project contributes to its priorities.

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- Priority 1 – Achievement
 - Priority 2 – Economic Impact and Innovation
 - Priority 3 – Access and Participation
 - Priority 4 – Integration and Collaboration
 - Priority 5 – International Education
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4.2 How will your PD workshops or training improve services for ACE learners?

4.3 How will your workshops or training help reduce gaps in achievement and participation for Māori, Pacific learners, disabled learners, and other groups who may be underserved?

SECTION 5 Budget

Note: The maximum amount you can request for a Small PD Grant is up to \$5,000.

5.1 How much will the series of workshops or training cost?

Use the budget template below as a guide. Keep your costs realistic and reasonable. Your budget should match the description of your PD activity or project details in Section 3.

	DETAILS	AMOUNT
Venue Provide details if applicable, eg. venue name/hourly or daily hire cost/ how many hours/days required		\$
Catering Provide details if applicable, eg. name of caterer, number of people, cost per head		\$
Remuneration Provide detail if applicable, eg. – if you will be paying for a service such as a facilitator for a workshop, or project manager, tell us the name/s and role of facilitator/staff involved in PD activity – or project being paid/hourly or daily rate/total hours or days service to be provided – or details if a gift will be purchased as remuneration for service		\$
Travel Provide details if applicable, eg. by car/total kilometre at 70 cents per kilometre, by plane/quoted airfares with departure and destination cities		\$
Evaluation Provide details if applicable, eg. services required to undertake the evaluation for your workshops or training		\$
Other costs as required Provide details if applicable, eg. purchase of resources or printing for a workshop		\$
TOTAL		\$
5.2 Amount requested for a Small PD Grant from ACE Aotearoa (GST exclusive):		\$

5.3 If the requested grant is not enough to cover all your costs, how will you meet the shortfall?

5.4 What will you or your team contribute to the event(s)?

What support you will be providing,
eg. staff/volunteer time, administration
services, a venue, food or gifts, financial
support by other means

SECTION 6 Referees

Referee 1

Name

Organisation

Relationship

How do they know you?

Contact phone number

Referee 2

Name

Organisation

Relationship

How do they know you?

Contact phone number

SECTION 7 Declaration

In making this funding application I declare that:

- I am authorised to do so and to the best of my knowledge the information contained herein is true and correct.
- I agree to assist or provide further information if requested, with any enquiries related to this funding application.
- On behalf of the applicant, we accept that any decision made by ACE Aotearoa is final.

Privacy Act:

- Any personal information about individuals or organisations you provide in this application will be used only to assist with the administration and assessment of your application and in publishing the results of approved grants.
- The information collected will be restricted to ACE Aotearoa, along with other parties that may be consulted or contracted to act on behalf of. You have the right to check and correct any personal information held by ACE Aotearoa.

Signature

Date

You will need to sign the application form and send us the original copy. You may use an approved authentic digital signature.

Name and position

SECTION 8 Submitting your application

Before you send us your completed application form:

Closing date: 5:00 pm, 30 September 2026

- Check that you have answered all the questions.
- Check you have signed the Declaration in Section 7.

By email:

We accept scanned copies of the original application. Send to grants@aceaotearoa.org.nz and use the subject line *ACE PD Grant Application*.