Trades and Non-Trades Learning Programmes

The following list provides a guide for STP Lead Providers on the trades and non-trades classifications for programme delivery. Please note all programmes are valid and can generate Secondary-Tertiary Programme funding (the classification below only determines if the Trades Top-Up is funded).

Non-trades

A qualification that provides students with a broad educational experience, particularly in business, computer technology, education, healthcare or retail. Programmes provide learners with the fundamental principles, concepts, vocabulary, and methods essential for the acquisition of knowledge and skills basic to the field of study. Examples include:

- Business
- Business Administration
- Commercial Management
- Computer Applications
- Hotel Management
- Real Estate and Valuation
- Recreational Administration/Management
- Resource Management
- Retail

- Sales and Distribution
- Secretarial Studies / Office Systems
- Tourism / Hospitality Management
- Transport Management
- Travel
- Warehousing and Logistics
- Early Childhood Education
- Healthcare[1]
- Sports and Recreation (including Adventure Tourism)

Trades

A qualification that focuses on, or leads to, training required for skilled labour or a professional craft. These would likely require further training as an apprentice, cadet, trainee or some on-the-job training. The STP tertiary component must include at least 50% of the specified trade for the Trades Top-Up Funding to apply. Examples include:

- Agriculture
- Automotive Electrical
- Automotive Pre-Trade
- Basic Automotive
- Boat Building
- Cabinet and Furniture Making
- Carpentry Pre-Trade Comprehensive
- Catering / Cooking
- Electrical
- Engineering
- Farming or land based training
- Forestry

- Hairdressing and Barbering
- Health Vocations[2]
- Horticulture
- Hospitality
- Joinery
- Painting and Decorating
- Panel Beating
- Photography
- Plastering
- Plumbing, Gasfitting and Drainlaying (pre-trade)
- Primary Industry
- Woodskills pre-trade

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[1] All health programmes which fall outside of the Health Vocations qualification noted in the Trades section.
[2] From programmes within the funding classifications codes C, L and P - http://www.tec.govt.nz/funding/funding-and-performance/funding/fund-finder/youth-guarantee/funding-and-payments/ (See Funding Calculation section)