

## **Funding to address climate change education and training**

The Australian Maritime College (AMC) and the wider University of Tasmania have been awarded Federal Government funding for the development of climate change adaptation programs.

Senator Penny Wong, Minister for Climate Change and Water, announced a total funding package of \$1.9 million for tertiary institutions and professional associations to integrate climate change into their education and training courses through the Climate Change Adaptation Skills for Professionals small grants program.

Of this, UTAS received \$111,988 for the mainstreaming of climate change adaptation into existing postgraduate education, to train planners of both built and natural environments, and for developing climate change courses and resources.

The AMC, an institute of UTAS, received \$136,996 to investigate the development of climate change adaptation short courses and training for maritime professionals.

The Climate Change Adaptation Skills for Professionals Program provides grants to tertiary education and training institutions and to professional associations, funding the revision or development professional development and accreditation programs geared towards architects, engineers, natural resource managers and planners.

For more information about the Climate Change Adaptation Skills for Professionals Program, visit: <http://www.climatechange.gov.au/impacts/index.html>

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