

Integrated Mine Closure

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE



Plan for closure. Reduce risk. Deliver sustainable outcomes.

Course overview

Close with confidence by embedding closure thinking throughout the mining lifecycle. This industry-relevant, practical course equips mining professionals with the skills and frameworks needed to plan and implement integrated mine closure strategies from the earliest project stages.

Over 8 weeks, you'll build a strong understanding of closure planning principles, regulatory and stakeholder considerations, and tools to align closure with operational and social performance goals – all through expert-led modules and real-world case studies.

- ✓ Learn from industry experts
- ✓ Flexible online delivery
- ✓ Digital badge on completion

Why this course matters

Mine closure is no longer an end-of-life activity – it's a whole-of-life responsibility. Poor closure planning can lead to major regulatory, reputational, and financial risks. This course is designed to:

- Embed closure thinking across the mining value chain
- Support compliance with evolving ESG and regulatory expectations
- Improve stakeholder engagement and long-term planning outcomes
- Enable integrated, cost-effective closure strategies

Who should enrol?

AusIMM Courses are open to all, with no formal prerequisites; however this course is ideally suited to professionals seeking to expand their understanding of mine closure, including:

- Environmental and social performance practitioners
- Mine planners and engineers
- Operations and project managers
- Consultants and technical specialists
- Closure planning and rehabilitation professionals
- ESG and sustainability advisors



PD hours
40 hours



Delivery
100% online



Duration
8 weeks



Certificate
Digital credential

Pricing

Member A\$2,830
Non-member A\$3,700

Prices are in Australian dollars and are inclusive of 10% GST

Discounts available when 3 or more participants book together.

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What you'll learn

Learn how to create and implement mine closure strategies that align with sustainability, community, and operational goals:

- Fundamentals of integrated mine closure
- Regulatory, social, and economic considerations
- Tools and frameworks for closure planning
- Case studies from global mine sites

Career outcomes

- Advance into mine closure, ESG, or sustainability leadership roles
- Enhance promotability with cross-functional mine planning skills
- Build strategic insight into long-term environmental and social risk

Organisational benefits

- Reduce long-term liability through early closure integration
- Support social license with stronger stakeholder relationships
- Increase compliance with closure regulations and ESG frameworks
- Empower teams to deliver better closure outcomes

Plan for the future. Act now

Poor closure planning can cost millions in unplanned rehabilitation and lost trust. This course empowers individuals and organisations to embed closure early – reducing risk and delivering long-term value.

Give yourself or your team the tools to close mines with clarity, confidence, and compliance. Join a global cohort of professionals acting on responsible mine closure.

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Facilitators

See full facilitator profiles on our course page.



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Integrated Mine Closure modules

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Introduction to integrated mine closure

- Business case and challenges
- Knowledge base (environmental and socio-economic)
- Internal and external requirements
- Closure vision, land-uses and objectives

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Risk/opportunity and closure planning

- Closure risk assessment
- Opportunities analysis
- Closure liability and cost estimates
- Integrated closure plan

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Preparing technical assessment reports

- Identifying stakeholders
- Stakeholder engagement plan
- Social Investment and positive legacy
- Governance

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Execution

- ICP to PFS/FS
- Progressive rehabilitation/trials
- Execution plan
- Demolition and decommissioning

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Integrated planning

- Life of mine plans
- Maturity assessment across the LoM
- Domain based closure activities
- Design criteria

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Success criteria, monitoring & relinquishment

- Success criteria
- Maintenance and management
- Reporting and technology platforms
- Relinquishment or alternative