



Walking Infrastructure Masterclass: Planning and designing for walking

Overview

Walking plays a critical role in an integrated transport system, while improving health, livability, and environmental outcomes. Whether on foot (including running), moving with the help of a mobility device like a wheelchair, or pushing a child in a pram, walking is an important part of life for everyone. For most people, walking forms part of every trip.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) wants to make walking an easy choice for everyone, every day. This Queensland-specific training course equips participants to review, assess, plan, and design safe, accessible, and connected walking infrastructure to help achieve this vision.

The Walking Infrastructure Masterclass technical training course has been designed to provide participants with the knowledge and skills to plan and design best practice walking environments and facilities. The two-day course will also provide an explanation of TMR's Walking Network Planning Guidance.

We invite you to attend either the two-day masterclass or condensed half-day overview for managers and decision-makers who are not able to attend for the full two days.

What can participants expect to learn?

The topics covered on Day 1 will provide you with an understanding of the fundamental concepts, including Safe Systems, to achieve high quality walking outcomes. Day 1 concentrates on how to plan connected, direct and safe walking networks and includes a bus tour to illustrate best practice in the real world.

Day 2 has more of a design and audit focus. It will provide you with knowledge of tools to assist with planning, and an understanding of design principles to provide direct, comfortable, accessible, and safe walking facilities. You will also have the opportunity to apply these learnings to a real-life example in a practical activity, including in-field application.

Who should attend?

Traffic/transport planners, engineers, urban designers and landscape architects, project managers and transport professionals in government and consultancy.



Learning outcomes

At the end of the masterclass, participants will have gained the knowledge and skills to:

1. 'think differently' about walking infrastructure requirements and their need in transport projects
2. have knowledge of the fundamental planning, design principles, and processes for best practice and fit for purpose safe walking network development
3. recognise key walking concepts and tools to identify the needs of people walking and how this should be applied to planning and design decisions
4. be able to identify and define potential solutions for improving existing infrastructure and supporting facilities for walking
5. have gained experience in the planning and design of exemplary walking environments and facilities using real-world examples.

Masterclass upcoming dates

	Walking Infrastructure Masterclass (2-day course)	Walking Infrastructure Overview for Planners and Managers (half-day course)
Brisbane	Wednesday 14 and Thursday 15 May 2025 Venue: 313 Adelaide Street Time: 8:00am-5:00pm both days	Wednesday 14 May 2025 Venue: 313 Adelaide Street Time: 8:00am-1:00pm
Cairns	Tuesday 19 and Wednesday 20 August 2025 Venue: Cairns Corporate Tower Time: 8:00am-5:00pm both days	Tuesday 19 August 2025 Venue: Cairns Corporate Tower Time: 8:00am-1:00pm
Brisbane	Tuesday 10 and Wednesday 11 February 2026 Venue: 313 Adelaide Street Time: 8:00am-5:00pm both days	Tuesday 10 February 2026 Venue: 313 Adelaide Street Time: 8:00am-1:00pm
Gladstone	Wednesday 20 and Thursday 21 May 2026 Venue: tbd Time: 8:00am-5:00pm both days	Wednesday 20 May 2026 Venue: tbd Time: 8:00am-1:00pm
Cost	\$1200	\$600

Refreshments and lunch will be provided.

How to register

Register online via Accelerate (<https://learn.accelerate.tmr.qld.gov.au>). Places on this course are strictly limited and in high demand. A waiting list will be held in the event of cancellations.

