# FREE Autodesk software including AutoCAD, Inventor and REVIT.

### First you will need to make sure that you have a TAFE email account.

- When you received you enrolment information from TAFE it should have included your username (normally firstname.lastname#) and a password. Your email address (as a student) will normally be firstname.lastname#@studytafensw.edu.au
- Make sure you request a 'Confirmation of Enrolment' document from the TAFE admin staff where you enrolled or call your college Customer Service and ask for a copy to be emailed to you.
- Log into your TAFE Student Portal by following the instructions <u>HERE</u>
- Set your new password, update your profile and activate your student email account. If you have your own email address at home or work, send yourself a message from your TAFE account just to be sure it is working properly.

#### Register with Autodesk.

- If you are already registered with Autodesk, the ID confirmation steps outlined below will be needed when you download new software.
- Go to the Autodesk website and register for their 'Education Community' <u>HERE</u>. Make sure that you use your TAFE email address for your registration.
- When Autodesk asks you to upload verification of your student status, use the 'Confirmation of Enrolment' document that you have already obtained.
- When you are asked to select your 'Educational Institution' you need to pick "Tafe Nsw Western Sydney Institute" OR "TAFE NSW Western Sydney"
- Once your Autodesk account is set up and your ID has been verified, you can download the software you will need.

#### Download and install the software.

- Go to the Autodesk Education software download page HERE.
- Make sure that you are logged in to the Education site.
- Select the software you require.
  - o For Certificate 3 Trade and Certificate 3 Drafting courses you will only need AutoCAD.
  - For Mechanical Engineering or Certificate 4 Engineering Drafting courses you will need both AutoCAD and Inventor Professional.

**NOTE:** It is important that you are using the same version of the software at home as we do at the college. If you have not been told what version to use, ASK!

## Install the software on your computer.

- The best option is to both download and install the software while you are logged into the Autodesk website. This will confirm your subscription and activate your software in the one process.
- Each package will use at least several gigabytes of download capacity, so if you are using a slow or
  intermittent connection or have download restrictions it may be better to download the software
  elsewhere and then install and activate it on your own machine by following the on-screen
  prompts. The process is like most software installations.
- If you are given the option (and you have ample space on your hard drive) it is a good idea to install things like Content Centre Libraries and any other options as well. Typically, we install ALL options except for the languages.

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#### Run the software.

Starting the software for first time might bring up an 'Activate' option – depending on how it was installed. If this happens follow the process on screen and the registration software will then guide you step by step.

Note that how much of this process can be done automatically may depend on your virus software and firewall settings. You may choose to turn these features off while you download and install your software.

For support from Autodesk with any issues you have registering your account, downloading or installing the software you should contact them via their website **HERE**. Neither TAFE NSW nor your teachers can offer technical support for this process.

Please Note: Autodesk education software is ONLY FOR EDUCATION USE. It is illegal under Australian and International laws to use the software for any business or 'for profit' activity. The education software contains the same features as the standard commercial software, but 'Produced Using Education Software' watermarks and warnings will appear on all files created, edited or opened using this software which cannot be removed. Please use this free software responsibly.

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