

NextEd advances AI-enabled learning with OpenAI Codex at Academy of Interactive Technology

Sydney, Australia – 03.02.26— NextEd Group Limited (ASX: NXD) (“NextEd”), one of Australia’s largest listed education and training providers, today announced the integration of OpenAI Codex into its Bachelor of Information Technology curriculum, delivered by the Academy of Interactive Technology (AIT).

As OpenAI launches its latest Codex app, a command centre for managing teams of AI agents in parallel, AIT is among the first higher-education institutions globally to embed OpenAI Codex into curriculum, starting with its Bachelor of Information Technology.

The initiative forms part of a broader pilot across NextEd, including the rollout of ChatGPT Edu licences to hundreds of students across Higher Education and Vocational Education and Training (VET), spanning both international and domestic cohorts.

Codex will be used as a responsible AI-assisted development and “vibe coding” tool, reflecting how modern software and digital products are increasingly built in industry. Learning activities have been designed in consultation with NextEd’s educators, OpenAI Solution Architects and in line with AIT’s academic and integrity policies to ensure AI use supports, rather than replaces, foundational learning, critical thinking and technical competency development.

NextEd was recently recognised as a “frontier collaborator” at OpenAI’s Australian launch event in Sydney, highlighting the critical role education providers play in responsible AI adoption.

“How people learn to work with AI will shape how valuable it becomes in the real world,” said Andy Brown, OpenAI’s Go-to-Market Lead for APAC. “By integrating Codex into practical, assessed work, NextEd is giving students real experience with AI-powered development workflows, preparing them for how software is actually built today.”

“This initiative reflects our commitment to preparing students for the realities of a rapidly changing workforce,” said Mark Kehoe, Chief Executive Officer of NextEd Group. “By integrating tools like Codex responsibly into assessed learning, we’re ensuring our graduates develop the judgment, capability and confidence required to work effectively with AI in industry.”

As part of its broader workforce and education initiatives, NextEd will provide free foundational AI training to all Higher Education and VET students across its subsidiary education businesses, including Greenwich College, Greenwich Higher Education, Academy of Interactive Technology (AIT), Celtic Training, ISCD and Sero Institute.

Alongside student initiatives, NextEd is rolling out AI workforce capability programs in 2026 to support responsible AI adoption across enterprise and SME organisations, including practical, facilitator-led programs focused on applying AI to real business operations. Content upgrades are

underway across existing qualifications, with new programs in development to address critical skills shortages in data science, AI engineering and cyber security.

About NextEd Group

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