TTC and Kyu Grading December 2025

Tony Smibert Shihan

Please join us for the last TTC of the year!
As usual, Tony Smibert Shihan (8 dan) and Foundation Trustee will be leading the training.

Clifton Hill Dojo
100 Hodgkinson Street,
Clifton Hill

Saturday and Sunday, 6 -7 December 2025
Training: 1:00pm - 4:00pm
Kyu Grading: 4:15pm onwards

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Training Fees	Both Days	One Day
Standard	$40	$30
Concession	$30	$20

Grading Fees	1st - 2nd Kyu	3rd - 5th Kyu
	$30	$20

See next page for grading information

Grading forms due by Wed 3 December

Post-TTC Saturday Social
Izakaya by Tamura
343 Smith St, Fitzroy

Happy Hour 4-6pm
Dinner from 6pm

Scan to RSVP by Nov 26

To train on this day, you must be a current member of Aiki Kai Australia and the Sugano Foundation.

In Victoria, all trainees and spectators are required to provide a negative COVID RAT result taken on the day before being permitted entry. You are also required to have signed our Safeguarding Children and Young People Code of Conduct. Signing the Code is a one-time requirement only.

Scan here to sign the Code

Events are subject to change at short notice. Please refer to the Aikido Victoria Facebook page for last minute information.

Aikido Victoria takes issues of equal opportunity, discrimination, and harassment seriously and has established a process to deal with complaints. For further details contact our Member Protection Information Officers: Anja Marzuki and John Claxton (mpio@aikidomelbourne.org.au)

Aikido Victoria takes child safety seriously. For any issues or queries, please contact our Child Safe Officer: Ruihong Lu (childsafe@aikidomelbourne.org.au)

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What to expect at a TTC event

Technical and Teaching Committee (TTC) training days are an extension of Sugano Shihan's direct teachings, and a special effort should be made to attend the entire weekend. These training days:

- Have a structure and a theme and are presented as a course, not just as separate classes.
- Provide intensive training, having at least 3 hours per day training, over 2 or more days.
- Are taught by the most senior instructors in Aiki Kai Australia, all being ranked 6th dan or above.
- Focus on the technical direction set by Sugano Shihan, including the grading syllabus.
- Provide the opportunity for senior instructors, particularly members of the Dan grading committee, to observe and get to know students from across Australia.
- Are part of the prerequisites for dan gradings.

Students are required to hold a current Aiki Kai membership card (or proof of payment) to train. Please bring your membership book for the TTC stamp, as this forms part of dan grade attendance records. Books will be returned via a dojo representative and not on the day.

Grading information

Students intending to grade should have discussed and agreed this with their recommending instructor prior to the grading. They are expected to attend at least one training session on the day of their grading, and preferably, the entire TTC event.

On their grading forms, students are required to obtain sign off from each dojo where they trained, as well as from their recommending instructor.

Click here to download the Aikido Victoria Kyu Grading Form.

Completed grading forms, or an intention to grade email must be sent to aikidovictoria@gmail.com before the grading. Failure to do so may result in the student being unable to grade.

Gradings are a formal event. Photography and filming of gradings is not permitted.

Grading candidates are expected to be responsible for asking any invited guests to have signed the Aikido Victoria Safeguarding Children and Young People Code of Conduct, and to have ready their negative RAT result for presentation before being permitted entry to the event.