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## Careers Newsletter

**8 September 2021**

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### **JobJump - Parents and students please watch YouTube video and sign up**

Sign up to JobJump for information about tertiary study options, ATAR's and apprenticeship and TAFE information. Create a resume, sign up for news alerts.

To register go to <https://www.jobjump.com.au/>

Search school – St Pius X Chatswood

Register with an email address (use a private address, not spx)

Password – pius (lower case)

**Parent information:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fZoyckJwVg&feature=youtu.be>

### **University of Newcastle | Open Days Online**

Monday 6 September 2021, 5:00 pm - Wednesday 8 September 2021, 8:00 pm

Online

With a jam-packed program over three nights, Open Days Online are the perfect opportunity to experience a taste of life at uni from the comfort of your couch! Virtually explore our campuses, chat to current students and academics and find out what uni is all about.

You will find everything you need to learn more about getting in, degrees and courses, watch our live sessions, take a virtual campus tour, and experience uni life.

Find out more: <https://www.newcastle.edu.au/open-day>

### **NIE | Free UCAT Information Session**

Wednesday 8 September 2021, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Online

The National Institute of Education (NIE) is proud to present the free information seminar all about UCAT and the undergraduate pathways into medicine, dentistry, and some other health science programs. This is not a sales/advertising/promotional seminar. The session is packed with invaluable information during which we will be covering the following topics and more.

This forum is an excellent opportunity for teachers, students, and parents to find out about the UCAT and to have their questions answered by an expert who has been working in the field since 1999.

- What is UCAT? UCAT scores? UCAT Sub-tests?
- The Undergraduate Selection Criteria
- Application process into universities for medicine and dentistry
- When and who can sit the UCAT
- UCAT vs GAMSAT – How is UCAT different?
- Can you prepare for the UCAT?

- Undergraduate medical school interview explained and medical school interview preparation advice
- Gap Year
- Alternative degrees and career choices
- Q & A

Find out more: <https://www.nie.edu.au/ucat-free/free-ucat-information-sessions>

### **Crimson Education | In Conversation: How I Got Into Oxford**

Wednesday 8 September 2021, 7:30 pm

Online

Are you aiming to study at Oxford? Join current Oxford student, Evina, to find out what she did to prepare for her UK applications and learn why you should start thinking about university before you're in Year 12!

Find out more: <https://www.crimsoneducation.org/au/campaign/how-i-got-into-oxford/>

### **Crimson Education | Meet Crimson's Co-Founder & CEO, Jamie Beaton**

Saturday 11 September 2021, 10:00 am - 10:00 am

Online

Having founded his own company at 18 after gaining admission into Harvard, Oxford, Stanford and 22 other top universities, Jamie Beaton is a changemaker with heaps of valuable insights into chasing big dreams.

Don't miss this exclusive webinar to take a peek behind the curtains of Jamie's entrepreneurial success and learn from him first-hand about how you can become a changemaker too!

Find out more: <https://www.crimsoneducation.org/au/campaign/how-i-started-a-global-education-technology-company/>

### **Avondale University | Open Day 2021**

Thursday 16 September 2021, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Online

Previously scheduled for August 18 on our Lake Macquarie campus, Avondale's Open Day will now run in an online-only format, launching Thursday, September 16. Yep, this means you can join in your trackies.

Attending our Open Day online means you'll still:

- Receive course-specific information
- Hear from current students, academic and admissions experts
- Virtually view our Lake Macquarie campus
- Have your uni questions answered

You are invited to register as an individual, on behalf of a student or on behalf of your school, if you're a careers adviser.

Find out more: <https://mkto.avondale.edu.au/opendayregistration.html>

### **AFTT | Online Info Night**

Wednesday 22 September 2021, 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm

Online

Come along to our online info night and learn how to build your creative future in film, theatre and television.

Our Information Night will provide you with a more intimate and relaxed setting for you to ask our course advisors, tutors, alumni and students any questions you might have about studying at AFTT or pursuing a career in one of these growing industries. Come and learn all about the values at AFTT and why we are the best at what we do!

Find out more: <https://www.aftt.edu.au/events/open-days/online-info-night>

### **ADF | Gap Year Virtual Information Session**

Thursday 23 September 2021, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Online

Spend an exciting 12 months in the Navy, Army or Air Force, where you'll get paid for meaningful work while travelling Australia, gaining skills for life and making lifelong friends.

Join us for an info session to speak with current serving personnel about the Australian Defence Force Gap Year.

Find out more: <https://www.defencejobs.gov.au/events/events-detail/d5x6l4w>

### **BMIHMS | Virtual Open Day**

Saturday 2 October 2021, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Online

Discover how world-class training at Blue Mountains International Hotel Management School at Torrens University (BMIHMS) can lead you to a successful career in hotel management. Talk to academics about our industry placements around the world with leading brands, including Shangri-La, Hilton Hotels & Resorts and many more. Explore our immersive learning environment to get a taste of our experiential classes and learn what it's like to live and study at the number-one hotel management school in the Asia-Pacific.

Find out more: <https://www.torrens.edu.au/whats-on/open-day/bmihms-virtual-open-day>

### **Whitehouse Institute of Design | Foundation Portfolio Workshop, Online**

Saturday 18 September 2021, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Online

This online workshop is for aspiring designers and recommended as a starting point for those wishing to develop their illustration skills and create a portfolio for application to the Bachelor of Design program. In this 2-hour workshop, you will gain an understanding of how to illustrate with Marker and Paper, experiment with different multi-media materials and learn techniques for presenting your creative ideas.

Find out more:

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/foundation-portfolio-workshop-tickets-168670190079>

### **Whitehouse Institute of Design | Mastering Video Workshop, Online**

Saturday 18 September 2021, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Online

Lights, Camera, Action... This Mastering Video Workshop for Instagram and Tik Tok looks at all aspects of short form videography. From generating ideas to lighting, camera transitions, editing and many more tips and tricks. After this 2-hour weekend workshop you will be a master of video for social media.

Find out more:

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/mastering-video-workshop-tickets-168667893209>

### **NIE | Simulated UCAT Day Workshop, Online**

Saturday 9 October 2021, 10:00 am - 5:30 pm

Online

The workshop is designed to cover fundamental techniques in navigating all five sections of the UCAT. Students will spend the day with our specialist teachers and will be able to ask questions and address any concerns they may have about the test. Those who will be attending the online version of the workshop will be provided with the practice test, which they have to attempt soon after the workshop day.

The follow-up online session will be run within a week of the full-day program. It will provide insightful and extremely valuable information about the application process into medicine and guidance for future planning strategies.

Finally, we will spend some time to better explain the Medical Interview process as well as providing students with preliminary instructions on how to start preparing for this very important stage of the admission process. This forum will be an opportunity to answer any general questions that students and their parents may have in relation to the pathways into medicine.

Find out more: <https://www.nie.edu.au/products-listing/product/216-simulated-ucats-day-workshop>

### **Young Justice Program, Wollongong**

Wednesday 10 November 2021, 8:30 am - 3:15 pm

Wollongong

Young Justice is an annual program run by NSW Young Lawyers which offers school students an opportunity to explore, learn and discuss issues of law and justice with inspiring professionals and experts in the legal industry.

During the program, students will:

- Explore three very different types of legal careers presented by young legal professionals.

- Learn and apply legal problem-solving skills in a case sentencing workshop before a real-life Judicial Officer.
- Discuss the importance of the rule of law and how it relates to contemporary issues in Australia and around the world.

Find out more: <https://lawsociety.eventsair.com/80683---young-justice-program-session-four/eoiwollongong/Site/Register>

### **AMPA 2022 Scholarships**

Value: Up to \$13,200 AUD per year

Open/Closing Dates: August 25, 2021 – September 20, 2021

The Academy of Music & Performing Arts (AMPA) is offering six scholarships to support the training of musicians and dancers interested in undertaking the Bachelor of Music (Performance) and Bachelor of Dance programs, commencing February 2022.

[Find out more](#)

### **ACU Sue Mitchell Nursing Scholarship**

Value: \$1,000 AUD

Open/Closing Dates: August 6, 2021 – March 6, 2022

For students studying Nursing at the Canberra campus, who are from a regional, rural or remote area.

[Find out more](#)

### **EarthX Eco-Art Competition 2022**

The Eco-Art Competition aims to give students a voice about how they view the environmental issues in the world in which they live, whether local or global.

Young artists from around the world, ages 5-22, will create a piece of art, either 2-D or 3-D, that illustrates the message of the theme: *Plant the Seed*. Contestants can use any medium or combination of media if the work meets the size requirements designated in the Official Rules.

**Entries close January 24, 2022**

Find out more and enter here: <https://earthx.org/education/art-competition/>

### **Lorna McDonald Essay Prize**

The Arts Central Queensland Lorna McDonald Essay Prize celebrates Lorna McDonald's efforts in collecting, interpreting, recording and writing the history of the Central Queensland region. The first prize is \$2,000 with a runner up prize of \$500.

The competition is open to essays of 3,000 to 5,000 words exploring any aspect of Central Queensland's story. It's free to enter, there is no age limit, and there are no geographic boundaries in which entrants must live as long as the work is specific to some aspect of the Central Queensland region.

**Entries close 30 September.**

Find out more and enter here: <https://artscqinc.org.au/lorna-mcdonald-essay-competition/>

**BHP Foundation Science Teacher Association Awards**

The BHP Foundation Science and Engineering Awards are Australia's most prestigious school science and engineering awards. The Awards are a partnership between the BHP Foundation, CSIRO and the Australian Science Teachers Association (ASTA).

Student finalists also have the chance to represent the Awards at the International Science and Engineering Fair in the United States of America.

Each State and Territory has their own Science Teacher Association that run a science competition. Winners from these competitions are nominated into the BHP Foundation Science and Engineering Awards.

- Australian Capital Territory: [SEAACT Science Fair](#) – **entries close 11 September.**
- New South Wales: [Young Scientists Awards](#) – **entries close 24 September.**
- Northern Territory: [Young Scientist Competition](#) – **entries close 24 September.**
- Queensland: [Queensland Science Contest](#) – **entries close 7 October.**
- South Australia: [Oliphant Science Awards](#) – entries closed for 2021.
- Tasmania: [Science Talent Search](#) – **entries close 24 September.**
- Victoria: [Science Talent Search](#) – entries closed for 2021.
- Western Australia: [Science Talent Search](#) – **entries close 17 September.**

Find out more about the National Award here: <https://scienceawards.org.au/>

**ASX Schools Sharemarket Game**

The ASX Schools Sharemarket Game is a fun way for students to learn about economics and the sharemarket in Australia.

Students receive a virtual \$50,000 they can invest over a 10 week period, in over 200 companies listed on the ASX. The prices students buy and sell at are the same prices as they would get in the live market, so this is as close to real life share trading as you can get.

The game can be part of a school subject or an extra-curricular activity offered to students. It is free to play and as a bonus, students can win great cash prizes.

**Registration for the next round closes on 24 September.** Teachers must register on behalf of students.

Find out more here: <https://game.asx.com.au/game/info/school/about-the-game>

**The 2022 Simpson Prize Competition**

The Simpson Prize is a national competition for Year 9 and 10 students that focuses on the service of Australians in World War I.

One winner and one runner-up from each State and Territory will participate in a three-day program in Canberra in early 2022. Winning students will also travel to key historical and commemorative sites across Australia, noting that the final itinerary is subject to confirmation. Subject to COVID19 restrictions.

For this year's competition, entrants are asked to respond to the question *"To what extent have the Gallipoli campaign and the Western Front overshadowed other significant aspects of Australians' experience of the First World War?"*

**Entries are open until Friday 5 November.**

Find out more and enter here: <http://www.simpsonprize.org/>

**Career Options in the Outdoors**

With the impact of COVID-19, we have seen the effects of what can happen when opportunities to spend time outside are missing.

Leaders in the Outdoor Industry are having more and more conversations with people about the benefits of activities in outdoor recreation, outdoor education, outdoor health and therapy, and adventure tourism that have been not understood until now.

What this industry provides is more than a school camp or a guided bush walk. We have opportunities to make our communities better through exercise, building skills for life, and environmental appreciation. And perhaps the most important opportunity is the benefit to mental health when out in the outdoors.

This is an industry that will be one of the first to rebound from lockdown, and will have opportunities for employment from end to end. Have you considered the Outdoors as a career choice?

Maybe it's time!

Find out more: <https://outdoorsnswact.org>

### [Career confessions from NGV director Tony Ellwood](#)

When you see someone who has had a successful career, it can be easy to assume that they've always been successful. But oftentimes we overlook how people may have struggled to get to where they are today.

Tony Ellwood is currently the director of the National Gallery of Victoria and a celebrated member of Australia's arts industry, but it hasn't always been smooth sailing. In an interview with Deakin University, he shares his experiences where he's faced difficulty in his career and how he overcame it.

"I remember writing about 50 letters, trying to meet people in creative industries, and getting about three replies," he says. "It's a learning experience. You just have to believe in yourself."

Read the full interview here: <https://this.deakin.edu.au/career/mastering-the-arts>

### [Torrens University – Early Entry Program Closing Soon](#)

Apply now to secure your place at Torrens University through our Early Entry Program. A conditional offer is open to all Year 12 students in NSW, QLD and SA and applying is easy. Give yourself some peace of mind as you go into your exam period.

- There's no cost to apply
- There's no obligation to take up your offer
- Your offer can be deferred

**Hurry, the Early Entry Program at Torrens University closes on 30 September.**

Find out more: <https://www.torrens.edu.au/how-to-apply/early-entry-program>

*Note: all students from Victoria must apply through VTAC.*

[Crimson Education HSC to GPA Calculator](#)

Wanting to apply for university in the US, but feeling a bit confused about where your grades will get you?

Crimson Education have developed a simple HSC to GPA calculator, so you can see how your marks will stack up compared to students in the US. All you need to do is fill in your predicted HSC marks, and then the calculator will convert them into a simplified 4.0 scale GPA format.

Find out more and use the calculator here:

<https://www.crimsoneducation.org/au/resources/hsc-gpa-calculator-lp/>

### **[UAC Schools Recommendation Scheme – Applications Closing Soon](#)**

The Schools Recommendation Scheme (SRS) is one way institutions make early offers of undergraduate admission to Year 12 students. They do this by using criteria other than (or in addition to) the ATAR.

To apply for SRS you must be a Year 12 applicant who is attempting one of the following:

- an Australian Year 12 qualification in 2021
- an International Baccalaureate in Australia in 2021.

You must also be:

- a UAC applicant for undergraduate admission in 2022
- an Australian or New Zealand citizen, a permanent resident of Australia or the holder of an Australian permanent resident humanitarian visa.

**Applications for the SRS close at midnight on Sunday 19 September.**

Find out more here:

<https://www.uac.edu.au/future-applicants/scholarships-and-schemes/schools-recommendation-schemes>

### **[Early offers to La Trobe University with Aspire](#)**

If you're a Year 12 student that has been a leader, volunteer or part of their community then La Trobe University wants to hear from you. The Aspire Early Admissions Program recognises your contribution with an early conditional offer into your chosen La Trobe course, and welcomes you to a community of likeminded individuals.

With Aspire you'll know if you have a place at University by October, or even earlier.

Aspire students are rewarded with great benefits like:

- access to hundreds of VCE and HSC revision guides with the Aspire Advantage
- exclusive chance to receive one of 40 scholarships worth up to \$20,000
- exclusive Facebook group with support from La Trobe staff and other Aspire Students and Alumni
- exclusive Aspire ATAR that guarantees the rank you need for admission.



La Trobe is running drop-in sessions and webinars for prospective applications to get all the advice they need to apply. To learn more, visit the Aspire page. **Applications close soon on 17 September.**

Find out more: <https://www.latrobe.edu.au/aspire>

### **New Degrees in Logistics and Supply Chain Management**

COVID has changed the way we do lots of things in our lives. One of them has been how we transport goods from place to place. With borders closed and travel restricted, it has sometimes been difficult to work out how we can get our essentials from A to B.

Luckily, there are plenty of clever people out there working on solutions. Whether it's robots sorting goods in warehouses, or drones delivering things straight to our doors, there is a huge variety of careers out there in Logistics and Supply Chain Management.

If you'd like a career in this area, there are plenty of ways you can get there. Take a look at some of the universities that are offering degrees in Logistics and Supply Chain Management.

#### **Griffith University**

As part of Griffith's newly redesigned Bachelor of Business, you can choose to major in Logistics and Supply Chain Management. Learn how these professionals play a key role in business, and develop the key skills you need for a career in Supply Chain Management. Best of all, you can choose to study either on campus or online, giving you flexibility.

Read more here: <https://www.griffith.edu.au/study/business-government/logistics-supply-chain-management?location=dom>

#### **University of South Australia**

UniSA's Bachelor of Business (Logistics and Supply Chain Management) will teach you all about managing the flow of goods and services from point of origin to consumer. You can even fast-track your prospects by packaging a Masters Degree together with your Bachelor Degree through UniSA's [3+1 Pathway to Masters Program](#).

Read more here: <https://study.unisa.edu.au/degrees/bachelor-of-business-logistics-and-supply-chain-management>

#### **RMIT**

RMIT's Bachelor of Business (Logistics and Supply Chain Management) has a strong focus on work-integrated learning and practical experience. Take advantage of internship elective options, and make connections with their industry partners, like Mainfreight, IBM, Toll, SAP, Nissan, BMW, Coca-Cola, and the Department of Defence.

Read more here: <https://www.rmit.edu.au/study-with-us/levels-of-study/undergraduate-study/bachelor-degrees/bachelor-of-business-logistics-and-supply-chain-management-bp255>

#### **TAFE/VET**

Don't want to go to uni? You don't have to – a Diploma of Logistics is the perfect starting point for your career. And if you do decide you'd like to go to university later on, having a VET qualification can make applying easy.

Read more here: <https://www.myskills.gov.au/courses/details?Code=TLI50219>

### **Want more?**

We have heaps of resources on our website on careers in Aviation, Logistics and Transport – [take a look here](#).

### **[Why do people want to get an apprenticeship anyway?](#)**

If you're not 100% sure what you want to do once school is over, but don't think uni is the answer, you might want to consider an apprenticeship.

Careers look different to how they used to – once upon a time you picked uni, a trade, or a job, and that was pretty much it for the rest of your working life. Now, tradies get degrees in management, uni grads learn trades to round out their qualifications, and a quarter of all Australian students are learning part time while they work or raise a family.

Apprenticeships and traineeships are great because you generally don't need a lot of skills or knowledge when you start, you'll get quality on-the-job training as well as classroom-based training. Plus, you'll be earning an income all along the way.

That way, when you finish, you'll have all the skills you need to work independently, as well as a formal qualification to prove how awesome you are.

[Read the rest of the blog to find out more about why you should consider an apprenticeship here.](#)

### **[Early Offers for Year 12 Students | Wentworth Institute](#)**

The Wentworth Institute of Higher Education are making early offers to eligible Year 12 students.

If you're feeling anxious about what lies ahead after high school, having an early offer in your pocket could take some of the pressure off.

In addition to your early offer, successful applicants will also benefit from 40 hours paid relevant work experience per semester. Which could help you to develop work ready skills, get industry networking, put your learning to use while you're still completing your degree, and look great on your resume.

You can choose to study one of the following:

- Bachelor of Business
- Bachelor of Business (Professional Accounting)
- Bachelor of Information Technology
- Bachelor of Interactive Media

To apply for an early offer simply complete the early offer form <https://www.win.edu.au/future-students/how-to-apply/early-offers-to-year-12-students-application/>

**Applications close 30 September 2021**

For more information head to <https://www.win.edu.au/> or call them on 02 8252 999. You can also email them at [info@win.edu.au](mailto:info@win.edu.au).

### [Macquarie Leaders and Achievers has Reopened](#)

At Macquarie University, we recognise the anxiety and uncertainty many Year 12 students face due to the current situation. We understand there is some concern around university offers and planning for tertiary and HSC studies, as well as planning for attending university.

We have always considered students to be more than their ATAR. That's why we have multiple entry pathways to a degree.

One of our most popular pathways is the Macquarie Leaders and Achievers Early Entry Scheme. Given the current situation in NSW, we have reopened this scheme for Year 12 students. **Applications are now open and will close on Sunday 19 September.**

Students can also still apply for early entry to Macquarie through the Schools Recommendation Scheme, which also closes on Sunday 19 September.

The Future Students Contact Centre is open 9am – 5pm, Monday to Friday to help with any enquiries students, teachers or parents may have. Phone (02) 9850 6767 or email [futurestudents@mq.edu.au](mailto:futurestudents@mq.edu.au).

Find out more:

<https://www.mq.edu.au/study/admissions/entry-requirements/domestic/macquarie-entry/macquarie-leaders-and-achievers>

### [Learn the Fundamentals of Self-awareness with Grandshake](#)

Grandshake's 40-minute Fundamentals of Self-Awareness microprogram is a step-by-step guide to jumpstarting your personal development, and becoming the person you want to be.

Learn how to identify healthy and unhealthy patterns of behaviour and emotions; how to overcome common barriers to mindfulness; and how to accept yourself. This program contains practical strategies and exercises to help you incorporate self-awareness into your daily routine.

If you...

- Resort to distractions when you're facing a problem
- Struggle to manage your thoughts and emotions
- Want to better understand your behaviour & become your best self
- See the importance of exploring your inner self
- Love learning!

Then this microprogram is for you. Best of all, it's completely free for anyone aged 14-24.

Find out more and enrol here: <https://www.grandshake.co/product/the-fundamentals-of-self-awareness>

### [Consider a Gap Year in Aviation](#)

Passionate about aviation, but not sure if you want to jump right into study after high school? There are plenty of options for you if you want to take a gap year, where you can learn valuable skills and experience what a career in aviation might be like, all while having fun.

### **Courses from Aviation Australia**

[Aviation Australia](#) offer a variety of short Cabin Crew Courses for people who are considering a career as a flight attendant. They also offer Remote Pilot Training Courses for those interested in learning about this rapidly evolving industry.

Courses vary in length from just a few days up to 4 weeks, so there is bound to be something that will fit your schedule.

And if you find your passion, you can continue on with an apprenticeship or traineeship and earn a Certificate IV.

### **Hands-on Volunteering**

If you're looking for something a bit more hands-on, there are lots of aviation restoration groups and museums around Australia you can volunteer for and get an insight into aviation careers. Here are some places you might like to check out:

- [RAAF Amberley Heritage Aviation Centre](#)
- [HARS Aviation Museum](#)
- [Australian National Aviation Museum](#)
- [Aviation Historical Society of Australia](#)
- [Darwin Aviation Museum](#)
- [South Australian Aviation Museum](#)
- [RAAFAWA Aviation Heritage Museum](#)

### **Other Ideas**

You might also like to consider getting some [work experience in aviation](#), finding casual or part-time work at an airport, or even just chatting to a pilot or aircraft engineer to find out what their job is like. Or, check out our [Gap Year Guide](#) for more inspiration.

### **How to become a Pharmacist**

#### ***Be a beacon of the community***

#### **What do Pharmacists do?**

A Pharmacist's job is to prep and provide over-the-counter drugs and fill prescriptions, provide advice about the best medications and treatments for minor ailments, as well as how to safely take medicines.

If you pay attention to detail, have great communication skills and a caring personality, this could be an excellent career to consider.

#### **About you:**

- A problem-solving guru
- Meticulous and thorough
- Approachable and trustworthy
- Great team worker
- Empathetic and understanding
- Excellent time management skills
- Can multitask effectively

- Fantastic people skills

**The job:**

- Receiving, checking and filling prescriptions
- Advising patients on dosage, side effects and other important information
- Determining appropriate medication for a patient's situation
- Partaking in ongoing care and monitoring of patients
- Supervising Pharmacy Technicians and Assistants
- Conducting research into the development of new medicines
- Working with other professionals to refine manufacturing techniques
- Developing standards for medicine used in pharmaceuticals

**Lifestyle Impact: Low**

- Part Time opportunities: Moderate – around 32% of Pharmacists work part-time (source: [joboutlook.gov.au](http://joboutlook.gov.au)).
- Average hours for full-time workers: 43 hours a week, which is average (source: [joboutlook.gov.au](http://joboutlook.gov.au)).
- Pharmacists' salary (average) \$80,000\* per year (source: [seek.com.au](http://seek.com.au)). \*Salaries vary depending on your skills and experience.
- Future career growth: Moderate (source: [joboutlook.gov.au](http://joboutlook.gov.au)).
- You will be spending most of your time indoors, in pharmacies, labs, hospitals, or even offices.

**Pharmacists are most in demand in these locations:**

This is a large occupation, with around 34,900 people working as Pharmacists in 2020 (source: [joboutlook.gov.au](http://joboutlook.gov.au)), with moderate growth expected over the next five years. Demand for Pharmacists is spread evenly across Australia. Most Pharmacists work in the Health Care and Social Assistance industry.

Although you might mainly see Pharmacists working in pharmacies and hospitals, there are varied roles available for Pharmacists. You could be working in a lab developing new medicines, helping chemists and engineers manufacture medicines, or even working in advocacy and community education.

**How to become a Pharmacist in Australia**

You will need to complete a minimum Bachelor-level degree and register with the Pharmacy Board of Australia in order to work as a Pharmacist.

Step 1 – Complete Year 12 with a strong focus on English, Maths and Sciences.

Step 2 – Complete an approved undergraduate degree, usually a Bachelor of Pharmacy. You can see a full list of Ahpra approved programs of study [here](#).

Step 3 – Apply for Provisional Registration with the Pharmacy Board of Australia. You will need to provide information such as completion of an approved course, criminal history check, and any relevant health impairments.

Step 4 – Complete 1,824 hours of approved supervised practise (an internship), and pass a Board registration examination. You can then apply for General Registration and start working as a fully qualified Pharmacist.

Step 5 – Reapply for registration every 12 months, which includes partaking in Continuing Professional Development (CPD) throughout your career.

Find out more here –

<https://www.pharmacyboard.gov.au/>

<https://www.ahpra.gov.au/>

<https://www.pharmacycouncil.org.au/>

<https://www.psa.org.au/>

<https://www.guild.org.au/>

### **Similar Careers to Pharmacist**

Chemist

[Registered Nurse](#)

[Lab Technician](#)

Pharmacy Assistant

[Pathology Collector](#)

[General Practitioner](#)

[Surgeon](#)

[Paramedic](#)

[Dentist](#)

Find out more about alternative [careers](#).

### **Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)**

#### **What do Pharmacists do?**

Pharmacists help ensure the safe use of medicines in the community, by selecting and dispensing appropriate medications for a patient's needs. They may also be involved in the research, manufacturing, and testing of new medicines.

#### **Which industries employ Pharmacists?**

Pharmacists are usually employed in the Healthcare and Social Assistance industry.

#### **What options are there for career progression?**

You could start out working in a Pharmacy, and potentially move on to roles in research and manufacturing, as well as community education.

#### **Do I need to go to university to become a Pharmacist?**

Yes, you will need to complete an approved Bachelor- or Masters-level qualification, as well as an internship, before you can start working as a Pharmacist in Australia.

#### **Where do Pharmacists work?**

Pharmacists are needed all across Australia. They usually work indoors.

#### **What are 3 things I can do right now to help me become a Pharmacist?**

If you're in high school and you'd like to find out if a career as a Pharmacist is right for you, here's a few things you could do right now:

1. Get work experience in your local pharmacy, doctor's office or hospital. This is a great way to get experience in the industry and find out if this might be the right job for you.
2. Find volunteering opportunities to start building some essential skills, such as communication and problem solving, as well as getting to know your local community.
3. Start doing some research into the course you would like to study, and carefully consider the amount of work you will need to do before you can start practising.

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