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ATO School Leaver Program

Where careers take shape.

Start your career in government with the ATO School Leaver Program.

- ✓ **Launch your career with purpose** – If uni isn't for you, start your career with us and make an impact from day one. Help Australians, support a fair tax and super system, and contribute to services we all rely on.
- ✓ **Diverse career pathways** – Roles available across Frontline Services, Administration and IT. Opportunities to explore different careers, with job rotations to discover work you truly enjoy.
- ✓ **Training and development** – Gain a Certificate III in Business or IT, receive on-the-job training, and work with experts to build your skills and networks.
- ✓ **Modern and supportive work environment** – Be part of a modern, digital organisation, working alongside experienced teams in a supportive and inclusive environment.
- ✓ **Work-life balance** – Flexible work options, including hybrid work-from-home arrangements, generous leave entitlements and wellbeing initiatives.

Hear from our school leavers

Career growth opportunities

'The program has helped me grow in so many ways, building my confidence and strengthening my communication, problem-solving and teamwork skills.' **Amelia**

Professional skill development

'Coming straight from school, I wasn't sure what to expect, but the program has given me valuable workplace experience, new skills and the confidence to grow. The ATO is a welcoming, diverse and inclusive workplace where everyone belongs and I couldn't recommend the program more to school leavers thinking about what comes next.' **Sarah**

Community and networking

'It's been great connecting with other people at a similar stage in their careers while also learning from experienced colleagues. The networking opportunities have helped me build relationships and feel really supported as I continue in my career.' **Sam**

Hands on experience that matters

'The program gave me hands-on experience, great mentors, and the confidence to grow. If you're finishing school and unsure what's next, this program is worth considering. I couldn't recommend it more!' **Mohammad**

Expert guidance and mentorship

'The ATO's supportive and inclusive culture helped me grow my confidence and develop new skills. I built strong connections with my team and learned a lot from the guidance and mentorship of my manager.' **Sotirios**

Work-life balance

'I was surprised how much this program has given me the opportunity to grow professionally and has allowed me to build and create networks. This program has helped me grow a career and maintain networks without affecting my personal life.' **Marika**

Apply today

Applications for the 2027 ATO School Leaver Program open **12 August** and close **28 August 2026**.

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