



CAREERS NEWSLETTER

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JobJump - Parents and students please watch YouTube video below 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 <u>https://www.jobjump.com.au/</u>

Search school - St Pius X Chatswood

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

Password – pius (lower case)

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

Parents and Carers Info Session – Mudgee

Organisation: University of Newcastle **Location:** Country Universities Centre

Date: May 22, 2025

If you have a child who is currently completing Year 12 we invite you to join us at our Parents and Carers Info Session on Thursday 22 May at the Country Universities Centre, Mudgee.

Parents and Carers will have the opportunity to hear from knowledgeable university staff and current students, covering a range of different topics to assist you in supporting your child through their transition from high school to university including:

- Everything you need to know about entry schemes and pathways to university, including our Early Entry Program
- How to best support your child through the HSC as well as tips for managing wellbeing and stress
- Have the chance to speak to current University of Newcastle Student Ambassadors about their first-hand experience transitioning from school to university, student life, support services and much more

You'll also have the chance to speak one-on-one with our friendly teams to ensure you walk away feeling confident and informed.

Find out more and register

Parents and Carers Info Session – Armidale

Organisation: University of Newcastle

Location: Armidale TBC

Date: May 22, 2025

If you have a child who is currently completing senior studies, come visit us for our Parents and Carers Info Session. Parents and Carers will have the opportunity to hear from University staff and current students, with a presentation touching on areas such as:

- Our different entry schemes, such as the Early Entry Program, Schools Recommendation Scheme & Year 12 Subject Spotlight
- Our campus locations, accommodation, scholarships and more
- Student experience and support services available

Following this, there will be an opportunity for Q&A's if you had any specific inquiries. Find out more and register





Sydney Writers' Festival – Secondary School Days

Organisation: Sydney Writers' Festival **Location:** The Concourse, Chatswood & Sydney Town Hall

Date: May 22 to May 23, 2025

Over four presentations, students will be inspired and challenged through thoughtful discussion of literature and ideas. Authors will share insights into the writing process, invite students to consider new perspectives, and encourage them in their own creative pursuits.

The Secondary School Days program is programmed with students in Years 7 to 10 in mind, but is suitable for all high school students.

Find out more and register

Music Portfolio Evening

Organisation: University of Sydney Location: Sydney Conservatorium of Music

Date: May 23, 2025

Make your application stand out and join us at our Music Portfolio Evening on Friday 23 May.

We encourage you to take this opportunity to receive tailored advice from our academic staff and gain valuable insights to elevate your portfolio, which is a crucial element of your application to study a Bachelor of Music (Composition), Bachelor of Music and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Composition), Bachelor of Music Composition for Creative Industries Program, and Bachelor of Music Contemporary Music Practice Program at the Sydney Conservatorium of Music.

At this event, you'll receive personalised feedback on your music portfolio, speak directly with our staff, tour our iconic campus and learn about our courses and submission processes. With registration you will also receive free tickets to the evening's Greenway Series: SCM Chamber Choir and SCM Choir conducted by Elizabeth Scott and Paul Stanhope.

Find out more and register

Information Session and Tips & Tricks for a Successful Application

Organisation: NSW Police Location: 2 Dawn Fraser Avenue, Sydney Olympic Park Date: May 24, 2025 This is an event for those thinking about joining the NSW Police Force. We will provide tips and tricks for you to ensure you lodge your application properly. This is also an opportunity to ask any questions about joining the NSW Police Force. Find out more and register

Open Day, Sydney

Organisation: Academy of Interactive Entertainment Location: AIE Sydney Campus Date: May 24, 2025

Discover the courses designed to get you started in game development, 3D animation, film and visual effects at the AIE Open Day. It's is a great opportunity to meet our teachers, staff and students. The day will cover everything you need to know about the:

- careers in games and VFX that we train students for;
- studios and industries that we work with;
- courses we offer from beginners to professional mastery, and;
- the software, skills and knowledge we teach.

AIE's Open Day will also include presentations on entry requirements and how to apply. Find out how AIE can get you into a creative career.

Find out more and register





Talk with Nurses, Midwives and Paramedics

Organisation: Australian Catholic University Location: Online Date: May 27, 2025 Caring for others gives more than it takes. A career in paramedicine, nursing or midwifery means a career helping others. Join us online to hear from ACU students and alumni about their experiences working as nurses, midwives and

paramedics. Take part in a Q&A session to learn what it is like working on the frontline, using your skills to help people when they need it the most.

Find out more and register

Early Offer Information Evening – Coffs Harbour

Organisation: Southern Cross University Location: SCU Coffs Harbour Campus Date: May 27, 2025 Curious about our Early Offer pathway but unsure where to start? Whether you're a parent, caregiver, or future student, join us for an exclusive information session where we'll cover everything you need to know. From how to apply, to why the Early Offer is a total game-changer, plus important dates and scholarship opportunities – we've got you covered!

No matter if you're an ATAR or non-ATAR student, our Early Offer program guarantees your place at Southern Cross University before you even finish Year 12!

Find out more and register

TAFE to Uni Webinar

Organisation: University of Newcastle

Location: Online

Date: May 27, 2025

Interested in taking your studies to the next level? Join us online to learn why TAFE and vocational qualifications are an excellent and popular pathway into the University of Newcastle.

Tune in to meet our admissions staff and student ambassadors. You will learn about what it's like studying at our University, TAFE and other vocational qualifications entry pathways, how to apply, scholarships, jobs on campus, support and services and more!

Find out more and register

Business School Information Evening

Organisation: University of New South Wales

Location: Online

Date: May 28, 2025

Are you considering a future in business or unlocking opportunities to help you thrive in the dynamic world of business? Start your career at UNSW Business School - the #1 ranked Business School in Australia.

Join us online to hear from our expert panel of academic staff and advisers. You'll gain insights about our range of programs designed to equip you with the skills and knowledge needed to excel in today's competitive business landscape.

You will also hear from our current student and alumni about their student experiences and about the importance of the industry landscape now in Business.

Additionally, find out detailed information on the application and admissions process for 2026 entry including various pathways.

Find out more and register





Unlocking Careers in Sport and Health – Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student Experience Day

Organisation: Western Sydney University Location: WSU Parramatta South Campus Date: May 28, 2025

This on campus event for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander High School students in Years 9-12, raises knowledge and aspiration for careers in the Sport and Health industries. Students will participate in their choice of practical workshops, a Q&A Yarn Up with Indigenous industry professionals to gain insights into their work, education journey and careers.

Find out more and register

Architecture and design at Sydney: Build your portfolio

Organisation: University of Sydney Location: Online Date: May 28, 2025

A great portfolio could help you gain entry into your dream course. Hear from our Architecture and Design staff about our Portfolio Admission Pathway, including tips on how to build a creative portfolio that showcases your passion and potential.

Find out more and register

From Discovery to Innovation: Revolutionising AI-driven Scam Prevention

Organisation: Macquarie University

Location: Macquarie Wallumattagal Campus

Date: May 28, 2025

This talk will explore how the research was developed into practical innovation, showing how research-driven AI is revolutionising scam prevention and redefining how we combat digital threats on a global scale. We will explain the core technology, and how our partners (including the Commonwealth Bank, GovTech Singapore and Chainalysis in the US) use this to protect safeguarding individuals and organisations.

These monthly talks are suitable for students ages 10 and up who are starting to explore science or are already a passionate enthusiast. The series offers inspiring insights and a glimpse into the technological advancements shaping our future.

Find out more and register

Y10 Subject Selection Webinar

Organisation: University of Newcastle

Location: Online

Date: May 28, 2025

Our student ambassadors will share key Year 10 Subject Selection information and share their stories and experiences with subject selection and transition to University studies.

Presentation topics:

- Subject selection process (our 3 simple steps on how to select your subjects)
- Subject selection resources, case studies and examples
- What if I don't know what I want to do or change my mind?
- What can you study at the University of Newcastle
- Differences between school life and university life
- Pathways to University
- Ask a Student platform

Find out more and register





STEM + X: Maths & Data

Organisation: Careers with STEM Location: Online Date: May 28, 2025

Join Careers with STEM, supported by QUT, to hear from inspiring professionals who turned their passion for problem solving into careers that are saving the environment with data, improving outcomes in cancer research and optimising complex transport systems.

In this webinar, you will meet:

- Rob Lucas, an Applied and Computational Mathematics graduate, who turned a passion for maps and transport systems into solving complex problems for smarter planning in industries like rail, mining, energy and logistics.
- Brynn Mackie, a current mathematics and biomedical science student who aims to combine her studies to advance medical research and improve outcomes for cancer patients.
- Associate Professor Helen Thompson, an award-winning statistician who uses data modelling to tackle realworld challenges in health, the environment and society.
- Lee Constable, event moderator, author and TV Presenter, best known for hosting Network 10 kids' science show Scope.

Our speakers will share their personal journeys, offer practical advice, and provide insights into career paths, study opportunities, tips for university life, and the things they wish they knew when they were in high school. Whether you're a high school student, a teacher guiding your students' next steps, or a parent supporting your child's future, this webinar will provide the knowledge and inspiration you need to explore the exciting world of maths and data careers.

Find out more and register

BiG Day In, Parramatta

Organisation: ACS Foundation Location: WSU Parramatta City Campus Date: May 28, 2025 Join us at Parramatta CBD Campus Western Sydney University for BiG Day In Parramatta – hear from organisations including Microsoft, Google, Westpac, Wisetech Global & more to come about where a STEM career can take you. Find out more and register

HSC and Careers Expo 2025

Organisation: Resources for Courses Location: Royal Randwick Racecourse Date: May 29 to May 31, 2025 The HSC and Careers Expo 2025 will be held on Thursday 29 May, Friday 30 May and Saturday 31 May, 9am-3pm at the Royal Randwick Racecourse. On Thursday and Friday, students can attend seminars on subjects including English and Maths plus presentations on subject selection for Year 10 students, information on applying through UAC and the ATAR. Seating at the seminars is on a first come, first served basis.

Find out more and register

Open Day 2025

Organisation: Endeavour College of Natural Health Location: Endeavour Adelaide, Brisbane, Gold Coast, Melbourne, Perth & Sydney Campuses Date: May 31, 2025 Open Day is a unique opportunity to see your local campus first-hand and chat one-on-one with experts before you take the plunge and enrol.





Why not see what student life with Endeavour College looks like? Tour the facilities, learn about student life, and chat to our team of academics and admissions advisers on the day. Friends and family are welcome to accompany vou.

Find out more and register

ANSTO Science Discovery Tour

Organisation: ANSTO Location: ANSTO Discovery Centre

Date: May 31, 2025

This tour provides an in-depth look into the world of nuclear science and the work ANSTO does in the areas of health, the environment and delivering solutions for industry.

Subject to availability, we will visit Australia's only nuclear reactor OPAL, the Australian Centre for Neutron Scattering, the ANSTO Nuclear Medicine facility and the Centre for Accelerator Science. Find out more and register

Simulated UCAT Day Workshop, Online

Organisation: National Institute of Education

Location: Online

Date: June 1, 2025

If you are in Years 10, 11, 12, or you may be older and considering sitting the UCAT in the future, then this program is for you. The Simulated UCAT Workshop program is ideal and often a necessary step towards effective and efficient preparation for the UCAT.

The workshop is primarily designed to cover fundamental techniques in navigating all five sections of the UCAT test and also for participants to gain a better understanding of their own level of preparedness for the test.

The program runs over one full day of UCAT training, and Part 2, which is a 3-hour session for students and parents. Find out more and register

Online Campus Day

Organisation: Academy of Interactive Entertainment

Location: Online

Date: June 7, 2025

Discover the courses designed to get you started in game development, 3D animation, film and visual effects at the AIE Online Campus Day. AIE will be running this event for students interested in studying online. You will be able to meet our teachers, explore how classes will run, course options, career pathways and see our amazing student work.

We will be covering everything you need to know about the:

- careers in games and VFX that we train students for;
- studios and industries that we work with;
- courses we offer from beginners to professional mastery, and;
- the software, skills and knowledge we teach.

Find out more and register

Year 12 Information Evening Online

Organisation: University of Sydney

Location: Online

Date: June 11, 2025

Join us online for an exclusive information evening for Year 12 students and their caregivers to answer all your questions about joining the vibrant Sydney University community next year.

Hear from our expert staff to learn about university entry, scholarships, study options, accommodation options, interstate-specific information and more.

Get expert advice on entry requirements and the application process from UAC and the Sydney Future Students team.





Discover the exciting journey that awaits you as a current student shares their own journey to university and their University of Sydney experience. Have your questions answered during the live Q&A at the end of the session. Find out more and register

EngFest 2025

Organisation: Charles Sturt University Location: CSU Bathurst Campus Date: June 16, 2025 EngFest is Charles Sturt's annual celebration of civil engineering, with exhibitions and presentations of student works and research, school visits and information sessions, a careers expo, industry networking, professional development events and more.

It brings together students, cadet and professional civil engineers, researchers, representatives of Engineers Australia, interested members of the public and school students. Find out more and register

Sydney Open Campus 2025

Organisation: The Hotel School

Location: The Hotel School Sydney Campus

Date: June 21, 2025

Join us for an inspiring day at The Hotel School Australia's Open Campus, where you'll experience student life first hand through an exclusive Masterclass, hear from a special industry guest speaker, meet our academic and support teams, explore course options, and discover career pathways with our Professional Learning team. You'll also have the chance to connect with current students and fellow attendees - all while enjoying light refreshments. Whether you're a high school student, considering a transfer, or exploring new opportunities, this event is the perfect way to take the next step.

Find out more and register

Open Day 2025, Sydney

Organisation: Australian Institute of Music Location: AIM Sydney Campus

Date: June 21, 2025

Join us for Open Day, and experience everything AIM has to offer. Register to save your spot today! See our campus, get course advice, experience live performances, meet our academics and students, and get involved in activities that will give you a taste of student life here at AIM.

Whether you're ready to study now, or in five years, Open Day is open to all and a fantastic opportunity to discover how the Australian Institute of Music can help turn your passion for music into a career.

Find out more and register

UTS Tech Fest

Organisation: University of Technology Sydney **Location:** UTS City Campus **Date:** June 23 to July 4, 2025

Are you a high school student dreaming of a career in tech? Come and feed your curiosity at Tech Fest.

- Explore the study and career possibilities in Engineering and IT. Whether it's cybersecurity, civil engineering, robotics, or artificial intelligence, see the exciting opportunities in these areas and how you can be part of the next big thing!
- Hear from current students about their study journeys and career aspirations. Get an insight into the life of an engineering or IT student at UTS and discover the student societies you could join.
- We'll take you behind the scenes with exclusive lab tours. See how cutting-edge tech brings new ideas to life.

Find out more and register



Western Sydney Careers Expo 2025

Organisation: Resources for Courses

Location: Sydney Olympic Park

Date: June 26 to June 28, 2025

The Western Sydney Careers Expo 2025 will be held on Thursday 26 June, Friday 27 June and Saturday 28 June, 9am-3pm at Sydney Olympic Park.

On Thursday and Friday, students can attend seminars on subjects including English and Maths plus presentations on subject selection for Year 10 students, information on applying through UAC and the ATAR. Seating at the seminars is on a first come, first served basis.

Find out more and register

Open Day 2025, Wollongong

Organisation: University of Wollongong **Location:** UOW Wollongong Campus **Date:** June 28, 2025

The University of Wollongong (UOW) Open Day is the perfect opportunity to visit our amazing Wollongong campus, speak with our staff and students, and see why UOW is ranked as one of the best universities for student experience.

Whether you are looking at your next steps after Year 12, or you finished school some time ago and are looking for a pathway into university, Open Day is for you.

Find out more and register

2025 STEM-Sell

Organisation: The Engineering Link Group Location: WestConnex Motorway Control Centre Date: July 1 to July 2, 2025 The Engineering Link Group's STEM-Sell program is designed for Year 8 and 9 students. This engaging, low-stakes

competition allows teams of three students from each school to complete an engineering challenge. Hosted either at a venue nominated by the sponsor or at a local high school, the program provides a unique opportunity for students to explore the exciting world of engineering.

Due to the demand in 2024, we are offering two separate days. Schools are encouraged to register for one day only. The program on both days is the same.

Date: Tuesday 1st July OR Wednesday 2nd July 2025 Time: 9.15 am to 2.15 pm Find out more and register

Open Day 2025

Organisation: Western Sydney University Location: WSU Parramatta South Campus Date: July 6, 2025 Open Day will be held Sunday, 6 July 2025 and is a great opportunity to discover all that Western has to offer. Explore course options, meet academics and find out about our pathway options. Find out more and register

AMPA Dance Experience Day

Organisation: Academy of Music and Performing Arts Location: AMPA Performing Arts Centre Alexandria Date: July 7, 2025 Academy of Music and Performing Arts (AMPA) invites dancers to join us on campus for a day of dance. Register and bring your friends along and get ready to move!





Dancers will have a chance to participate in contemporary & improvisation classes facilitated by AMPA's inspiring faculty and experience what studying dance full-time is like at AMPA. A Q&A with the program's Head of Dance will allow aspiring dancers, choreographers, and dance teachers, to gain further insight into tertiary education and how it can benefit their future careers.

Find out more and register

NAS Winter School

Organisation: National Art School Location: National Art School Date: July 7 to July 11, 2025 NAS' short courses are for students of all levels of experience, from beginners to intermediate and advanced. Whether you're a complete beginner, reigniting former interests, or refining your practice, you'll enjoy this immersive week of artmaking at NAS.

Find out more and register

Outward Bound Leadership Program

Organisation: Outward Bound

Location: Tharwa, ACT

Date: July 7 to July 11, 2025

A chance for young adults ages 16 to 24 years to discover their leadership skills and strengths. Meet like-minded connections and add a highlight experience to your resume.

By using the outdoors as your teacher, the Outward Bound Leadership program will lead you through the Australian bush on a journey of self-improvement. Develop your abilities as a leader and strengthen trusted skills on how to best apply yourself in all your future endeavours. You'll find you're much more capable than what you thought. Your group will need to work together while organising camp, cooking on fires, navigating through the wilderness, and summiting peaks. The individual challenges such as high ropes and abseil are supported by your two Outward Bound facilitators, who will expertly explore and discuss how to apply these experiences to your life back home. Outward Bound Leadership can be attended to complete the Duke of Edinburgh's International Award: Gold **Residential Project.**

Find out more and register

Holiday Workshop – The Art of Lyrics, Sydney

Organisation: Australian Institute of Music Location: AIM Sydney Campus

Date: July 7 to July 8, 2025

Created for students in Years 9-12, AIM's new high school music workshops provide incredible opportunities to explore songwriting, mentored by AIM's own accomplished musicians and educators.

This songwriting workshop is essential for any high school students curious about writing songs and performing and is a golden opportunity to work with incredibly accomplished songwriters. Join us these school holidays and discover the songwriter and performer you were born to become.

Find out more and register

Holiday Workshop – Mastering Performance, Sydney

Organisation: Australian Institute of Music

Location: AIM Sydney Campus

Date: July 7 to July 8, 2025

AIM's new school holiday workshop is designed for high school students interested in music performance. Created for students in Years 9-12, the workshops provide incredible opportunities to experience playing and performing music, mentored by AIM's own accomplished musicians and educators.

Learn, practice and perform contemporary and classic pop, rock and soul tunes, under the expertise of Australia's leading music mentors.

Find out more and register



Campion Winter Program

Organisation: Campion College Location: Campion College Toongabbie Date: July 8 to July 11, 2025 Join us for Winter Program, a unique opportunity designed for Year 11 and 12 students who are earnestly contemplating enrolment at Campion College in 2026 or 2027. Our immersive four-day program provides the opportunity to reside on campus and interact with like-minded peers. We have a fun-filled schedule including a bonfire night, movies, trivia, dancing and sports, as well as sample lectures from our history, literature, philosophy, theology and classics professors. Given the specialised nature of this program, we have limited spots available to ensure a focused and enriching experience. We encourage interested parties to take a moment to seriously consider if this program aligns with

experience. We encourage interested parties to take a moment to seriously consider if this program aligns with their aspirations before registering.

Find out more and register

Designer for a Day Workshop

Organisation: Sydney Design School **Location:** Sydney Design School, North Sydney

Date: July 8, 2025

Curious about what it might be like to work as an Interior Designer? We have developed the perfect one day workshop for students in Years 10, 11 and 12 to find out more. You'll get hands on in our studios experimenting with colour and materials. Find out what it takes to become a professional Interior Designer and understand what an average day looks like on the job! We've included a 3D modelling activity to give you an opportunity to create an interior space.

Find out more and register

AMPA Music Theatre Experience Day

Organisation: Academy of Music and Performing Arts Location: AMPA Surry Hills Campus Date: July 9, 2025 Academy of Music and Performing Arts (AMPA) invites aspiring Music Theatre majors aged 16 and over to join us on campus for a day of music! Attendees will have the chance to sit in on a performance class, participate in workshops/Q&As facilitated by AMPA's music faculty and experience what studying music is like at AMPA. Experience a day in the life of an AMPA music student to gain further insight into tertiary education and how it can benefit your future. Find out more and register

Event Creation: The Ultimate High School Workshop

Organisation: International College of Management Sydney Location: ICMS Sydney Date: July 10, 2025 Join us for an exciting hands-on workshop where you'll dive into the world of event planning! Whether you dream of organising epic school formals, unforgettable parties, or community events, this workshop is your chance to learn the ins and outs of creating experiences that leave a lasting impression. Find out more and register

NYSF STEM Hub, Sydney

Organisation: National Youth Science Forum Location: Sydney Date: July 14 to July 18, 2025





A STEM Hub is a non-residential STEM experience where you can connect with STEM pathways and careers around Australia. You'll join exclusive behind-the-scenes experiences typically inaccessible to the public and connect with STEM professionals—a crucial networking opportunity for your future.

Whether you're passionate about robotics, biomedicine, astronomy, biology, or anything in between, there's a STEM Hub waiting to show you what a STEM career is really like!

Find out more and register

AMPA Classical Performance & Composition Experience Day

Organisation: Academy of Music and Performing Arts

Location: AMPA Surry Hills Campus

Date: July 14, 2025

Academy of Music and Performing Arts (AMPA) invites aspiring Classical musicians and Composers aged 16 and over to join us on campus for a day of music!

Attendees will have the chance to sit in on a performance class, participate in workshops/Q&As facilitated by AMPA's music faculty and experience what studying music is like at AMPA. Experience a day in the life of an AMPA music student to gain further insight into tertiary education and how it can benefit your future. <u>Find out more and register</u>

AMPA Contemporary Music Performance & Music Production Experience Day

Organisation: Academy of Music and Performing Arts

Location: AMPA Surry Hills Campus

Date: July 17, 2025

Academy of Music and Performing Arts (AMPA) invites aspiring contemporary musicians and music creators aged 16 and over to join us on campus for a day of music!

Attendees will have the chance to sit in on a performance class, participate in workshops/Q&As facilitated by AMPA's music faculty and experience what studying music is like at AMPA. Experience a day in the life of an AMPA music student to gain further insight into tertiary education and how it can benefit your future. <u>Find out more and register</u>

Building Your Fashion Empire: From Vision to Vogue

Organisation: International College of Management Sydney Location: ICMS Sydney Date: July 17, 2025 Designed for high school students, this hands-on workshop is your chance to dive into the exciting world of fashion and global brand management. Through expert insights and practical exercises, you'll learn how to craft a unique

and global brand management. Through expert insights and practical exercises, you'll learn how to craft a unique brand identity, understand your target audience, and master key marketing strategies. <u>Find out more and register</u>

This is MUSIC@WESTERN

Organisation: Western Sydney University Location: WSU Kingswood Campus Date: July 18, 2025 Interested in studying MUSIC@WESTERN? Whether you are a player, a maker, or just interested to see what we do? This is MUSIC@WESTERN day. See our current students perform. Engage in performance, production and career workshops. Have lunch (on us) with staff and students, parents and teachers.

Everyone is welcome!

After lunch you are invited to interview for course entry. Interviews from 1pm. Get an early offer for 2026. <u>Find out more and register</u>





2025 NYSF National Youth STEM Summit

Organisation: National Youth Science Forum

Location: Melbourne

Date: July 19 to July 21, 2025

Returning in 2025, the National Youth STEM Summit is an exclusive three-day conference-style event specifically designed to help you smash your study goals and secure your dream job.

The program boasts a diverse range of sessions, including:

- Keynote presentations from some of Australia's foremost STEM leaders
- Panel discussions exploring a range of topics, disciplines, and study and career pathways
- Workshops that offer practical strategies to help you thrive in your studies and/or career
- Networking opportunities to connect with like-minded peers and key government, industry and academic professionals

This Summit is aimed at young people between 18-25 who have completed high school and are making decisions about their futures in STEM.

Registrations will open in mid-April, and equity pricing is available for individuals who are full-time students, Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islanders, from rural or remote regions, have a disability, or are experiencing financial hardship.

Find out more and register

Open Day 2025, Sydney

Organisation: Academy of Interactive Technology

Location: AIT Sydney Campus

Date: July 19, 2025

AIT's Open Day is perfect for those wanting to explore the endless opportunities available in the growing creative industries and to get your questions answered for the Feb 2026 intake.

On the day you'll enjoy:

- Exploring the Careers and Courses: Discover our degrees plus insights into careers and study paths.
- Our Hands-On Creative Workshops: Watch live demos led by our expert educators
- A Guided Campus Tour: Explore our campus and the state-of-the-art facilities
- Discovering Our Facilities: Experience our well equipped Post Production Studio and Green Screen Room
- Chatting with Our Experts: Engage with course advisors, educators and current students to have all your questions answered.

Find out more and register

Open Day 2025, Liverpool

Organisation: University of Wollongong **Location:** UOW Liverpool Campus

Date: July 26, 2025

The University of Wollongong (UOW) Open Day is the perfect opportunity to visit our Liverpool campus, speak with our staff and students, and see why UOW is ranked as one of the best universities for student experience.

Whether you are looking at your next steps after Year 12, or you finished school some time ago and are looking for a pathway into university, Open Day is for you.

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Open Day 2025, Blacktown

Organisation: Australian Catholic University **Location:** ACU Blacktown Campus **Date:** July 26, 2025





Open Day is your chance to find out everything you need to know about studying at ACU before you enrol. You'll be able to check out the campus, meet staff and students, discuss entry pathways, and talk to experts about your study options and career goals. Find out more and register

Northern Rivers Careers Expo 2025

Organisation: Connect Northern Rivers

Location: Lismore Showgrounds

Date: July 29, 2025

Held annually in July, the Northern Rivers Careers Expo is the region's premier careers event. Showcasing career advice, further education, jobs and training, it is an opportunity for local school leavers, job seekers and workers to develop genuine long-term career prospects.

Exhibitors include apprenticeship organisations, career pathway advisers, employers, tertiary education, training providers, universities and volunteer organisations. A one-stop-shop for anyone wanting to begin or grow their career.

Find out more and register

2025 Apprenticeship/Traineeship & Jobs Expo – Central Coast

Organisation: Brett Carter Events Location: Mingara Recreation Club

Date: July 29, 2025

Our Apprenticeship/Traineeship & Jobs Expos are held annually and have grown to a status where they are widely accepted as the premier events of their kind in NSW. The timing of the expos is a hit with families as they allow parents to attend with their children and have those all-important career chats with industry experts. The Expos provide our career/job seekers, business and industry, education providers and employers with the opportunities to all come together under the one roof where exhibitors also get the chance to collect resumes and promote their organisation for upcoming recruitment drives. Find out more and register

Open Day 2025, Port Macquarie

Organisation: Charles Sturt University Location: CSU Port Macquarie Campus

Date: August 3, 2025

Discover what uni life is like! Whether you're in high school, looking to upskill, want to change careers, or are a parent, teacher or carer – there's something for everyone.

- Jump on a campus tour explore our facilities and accommodation. •
- Get detailed info about courses.
- Chat to current students about Charles Sturt life.
- Be inspired by our expert teaching staff.
- Discover the social side of life at Charles Sturt.
- Enjoy live entertainment, giveaways, competitions and free food!

Plus, you can explore our expo, info, and career and skills hubs. Chat to our friendly teams about our support services, early offer programs and how to boost your hiring potential. Find out more and register

2025 Apprenticeship/Traineeship & Jobs Expo – Parramatta & Hills District

Organisation: Brett Carter Events Location: Wenty Leagues **Date:** August 5, 2025





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Open Day 2025, Wagga Wagga

Organisation: Charles Sturt University

Location: CSU Wagga Wagga Campus

Date: August 10, 2025

Discover what uni life is like! Whether you're in high school, looking to upskill, want to change careers, or are a parent, teacher or carer – there's something for everyone.

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Open Day 2025, Coffs Harbour

Organisation: Southern Cross University

Location: SCU Coffs Harbour Campus

Date: August 10, 2025

Open Day at Southern Cross University is a perfect opportunity to discover which courses spark your interest and the campus or study mode that works best for you.

Our friendly study specialists will be on hand to step you through the process of applying for your dream course and answer any questions you have about studying with us.

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Sydney Careers & Employment Expo 2025

Organisation: Kym Jones Exhibitions

Location: Hordern Pavilion, Moore Park

Date: August 15 to August 16, 2025

Sydney's Careers & Employment Event will open on August 15 & 16, 2025, at the Hordern Pavilion, Moore Park. The Expo will showcase over 120 organisations and employers with career opportunities for all ages. Entry is free. The event is for school students, parents, teachers, graduates, job seekers, people looking for courses and workers seeking new opportunities.

Find out more and register

Open Day 2025

Organisation: Macquarie University **Location:** Macquarie Wallumattagal Campus **Date:** August 16, 2025 We can't wait to welcome you to our campus in 2025! What you can do on Open Day:

• Attend an info session on some of our most popular degrees





- Speak with our academics about our degrees, majors and specialisations, and how they'll uniquely prepare you for your first career, or help you upskill or reskill if your career is already underway
- Learn about our scholarships, adjustment factors and pathways; and RPL (recognition of prior learning) if you've studied before
- Chat with current students about uni life
- Jump on a campus tour and check out our awesome facilities

Open Day is an experience made for (YOU)^{us}. https://youtu.be/uYH0yfYWQZY <u>Find out more and register</u>

Open Day 2025

Organisation: International College of Management Sydney Location: ICMS Manly Campus

Date: August 16, 2025

At the ICMS Open Day you will learn about all the degrees offered and discover why ICMS's personal mentoring approach could make all the difference to your future career success – and help you to make the most of your student years!

- Learn about Undergraduate and Postgraduate Degrees
- Attend Degree Course Briefings with Lecturers
- Get insights from Current Students
- Find out about Scholarships, Early Entry, the Leadership Entry Program and the Elite Athlete Program
- Learn about our Work Integrated Learning (Internship) Program
- Speak personally to Admissions

Find out more and register

Open Day 2025, Sydney

Organisation: ACAP University College

Location: ACAP Sydney Campus

Date: August 16, 2025

Open Day is your chance to experience the ACAP difference, and find your path in the applied professions. Whether you're interested in Counselling, Psychology, Social Work, Criminology, Law, or Business, ACAP is your pathway to making a difference.

Be part of a workshop, meet our industry-renowned facilitators, and hear all about life as an ACAP student. Join us for a day of exploration and inspiration!

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Open Day 2025, Byron Bay

Organisation: SAE University College Location: SAE Byron Bay Campus Date: August 16, 2025





We're opening the doors to the campus for our biggest event of the year – Open Day! Come and tour our facilities, speak to faculty members, meet current students, and find out everything you need to know about studying at SAE.

If you're considering studying creative media, come along to SAE's Open Day to speak to our experienced team and learn how you can pursue your passion in this dynamic and expanding industry.

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Open Day 2025, Sydney

Organisation: La Trobe University Location: La Trobe Sydney Campus Date: August 16, 2025

Why attend Open Day at La Trobe?

- Chat with current students, alumni and teachers to get first-hand advice about your dream course, or just about the best places to eat on campus.
- Explore the campus by yourself or join a guided tour. See our world-class health facilities, leading IT and science labs, business trading room, accommodation and much more.
- Discover your options for placements, internships and work-based learning, and get all your questions answered about your dream course.
- Get a taste of what it's really like to be at uni. Join events and activities or kick back and enjoy the campus Open Day is the place to see it all.

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Open Day 2025, Northern Rivers

Organisation: Southern Cross University

Location: SCU Northern Rivers Campus

Date: August 17, 2025

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Open Day 2025, Albury-Wodonga

Organisation: Charles Sturt University

Location: CSU Albury-Wodonga Campus

Date: August 17, 2025

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Open Day 2025, Strathfield

Organisation: Australian Catholic University Location: ACU Strathfield Campus Date: August 17, 2025 Open Day is your chance to find out everything you need to know about studying at ACU before you enrol. You'll be able to check out the campus, meet staff and students, discuss entry pathways, and talk to experts about your study

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2025 Apprenticeship/Traineeship & Jobs Expo – Newcastle & Hunter

Organisation: Brett Carter Events Location: TBA Newcastle

Date: August 19, 2025

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Open Day 2025, Bathurst

Organisation: Charles Sturt University

Location: CSU Bathurst Campus

Date: August 24, 2025

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2025 Apprenticeship/Traineeship & Jobs Expo – South Western Sydney & Macarthur

Organisation: Brett Carter Events

Location: Liverpool Catholic Club

Date: August 26, 2025

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Find out more and register

Central Coast Open Day 2025

Organisation: University of Newcastle Location: UON Ourimbah & Gosford Campuses

Date: August 30, 2025

Open Day is packed with everything you need to know about going to the University of Newcastle. Participate in degree presentations, info sessions and tours of the campus.

Enjoy a hands-on experience with our program activations, and ask our student ambassadors questions about uni life.

Find out more and register

Open Day 2025

Organisation: University of Sydney Location: Sydney Camperdown Campus Date: August 30, 2025 Join us at the University of Sydney Open Day on Saturday 30 August 2025. Experience our vibrant student life on campus, hear from academics and current students and discover what makes us different. Find out more and register

Open Day 2025

Organisation: University of Technology Sydney Location: UTS City Campus Date: August 30, 2025 Info sessions, campus tours, workshops, dancing robots – UTS Open Day has it all. Get a taste of what students can expect at Australia's #1 young uni. Find out more and register

2026 National Youth Science Forum Year 12 Program

Organisation: National Youth Science Forum Location: ANU Acton Campus & UQ St Lucia Campus Date: January 6 to January 21, 2026 Are you in Year 11 in 2025? Apply now to join us in January!





The National Youth Science Forum (NYSF) Year 12 Program gives students that are about to start Year 12 a broader understanding of study and career options available in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). Staying on campus at university colleges, students are immersed in science and technology. Participants:

- participate in tours of science and technology facilities,
- learn about cutting-edge research,
- engage with industry partners and research providers,
- learn about university, training and STEM career pathways,
- mix with like-minded students their age from all over Australia,
- participate in social and team building activities, and
- network with former NYSF participants.

In January 2026, the NYSF Year 12 Program will run two summer sessions at:

- The Australian National University, Canberra (6 –14 January 2026)
- The University of Queensland, Brisbane (13 21 January 2026)

As part of the application process, any students experiencing financial hardship or another disadvantage that negatively impacts their ability to attend the program may apply for an <u>NYSF Access and Equity Scholarship</u>. We also encourage students to seek financial support from NYSF's founding partner, Rotary. Many Rotary Clubs are familiar with the NYSF and able to offer some level of funding or assist students to fundraise to attend. You can use the Rotary Club Finder to search for your local Club.

Applications close 20 June 2025. You will be advised of the outcome of your application by mid-August. Find out more and register

Scholarships

Bond University Excellence Scholarship

Organisation: Bond University Location: Australia Value: 50% tuition remission Open Date: May 1, 2025 Close Date: August 28, 2025 Find out more

UNSW Co-op Program

Organisation: University of New South Wales Location: Australia Value: Up to \$21,600 AUD per year Open Date: May 1, 2025 Close Date: September 30, 2025 Find out more

Competitions

Rookie Awards 2025

Organisation: The Rookies Location: All Value: See details Open Date: April 7, 2025 Close Date: June 20, 2025 Find out more





Torrens University Australia Bright Awards

Organisation: Torrens University Australia Location: Australia Value: See details Open Date: May 1, 2025 Close Date: August 18, 2025 Find out more

Weekly Posts

Money

What you need to know about Co-op Scholarships

Successfully applying for a co-op scholarship could do much more for you than simply covering your study costs. They come with heaps of other great perks too. So how can you access one of these amazing opportunities? Let's find out.

Premium scholarships with extra value

Scholarships are generally sums of money awarded to applicants who meet the eligibility requirements specific to that scholarship. There are thousands available from universities, private institutions, charities, and businesses all over the world.

They could really make a difference to your tertiary education experience by removing some of the financial pressure, or help you start your working life with less debt than you'd otherwise have.

How great is that? Believe it or not, a co-op scholarship is even better.

Co-op scholarships go the extra mile. Not only do they provide some financial benefits (or in some cases *a lot*), they could also provide you with amazing extras such as:

- Access to mentors
- Leadership and development programs
- Work experience opportunities (both paid and unpaid)
- Guaranteed accommodation
- Access to workshops and special events
- Networking opportunities

Who can apply for a co-op scholarship?

Each scholarship is unique to the institution or provider, so you'll have to check you meet the eligibility requirements before you spend time applying.

Co-op scholarships are generally open to high achievers. If you think that doesn't sound like you, it's still worth checking – merit isn't just given for amazing academic results, although it is often a pre-requisite. Some scholarships will accept applications from people who've been recommended by their school for their outstanding contributions. Others want to reward individuals who've worked hard and made a difference with community involvement, or perhaps have shown great potential with their leadership abilities.

Competitive but worth the rewards

These esteemed scholarships are highly sought after, so the applications can be highly competitive – but they are definitely worth your time applying.

Many of these programs have a 100% success rate for employment upon graduation. You might receive an income while you're still studying at uni, as some internships are salaried. If you don't leave university with a job already lined up, the fact that you received a co-op scholarship will look fantastic on your resume, could appeal to potential employers, and may have provided you with relevant work experience and useful industry contacts. In other words, you'll definitely be ahead of the pack.





There are benefits to just applying for a co-op scholarship

Putting yourself forward for co-op scholarships will give you invaluable experience in completing intricate applications and doing well at interviews.

Your confidence could receive a little boost knowing that you're considered eligible, that your application was considered, and that you put yourself outside your comfort zone and survived intact.

In some cases, if your application isn't successful but the panel were impressed by your application, they could suggest alternative scholarships and programs to apply for.

Even if you don't exactly meet the eligibility requirements but you're close, or if you've excelled in some areas and your application really stands out, providers might just bend the rules for an outstanding candidate...it could be you.

So what's the catch?

If you're granted one of these highly prized co-op scholarships, you'll be expected to take your studies seriously. You'll have to make sure you stay on track and achieve your predicted results (or better).

Once you've enrolled at university and started your course, you'll probably have to maintain a minimum grade average in order to keep the scholarship. You might even have to comply with other requirements, such as:

- Helping out at orientation week
- Committing to helping out on campus
- Active involvement within your chosen department
- Attending all additional programs and events that come with the scholarship

Can I defer my co-op scholarship?

Some scholarships allow you to defer, but it's unlikely Co-op Scholarships will because they are so competitive and sought after – you'll need to check with the individual provider to confirm this though.

If you are successful in receiving a scholarship and then need to defer your enrolment, you might have to complete another application and go through the entire process the following year (if the institution allows for that).

Where can I find out more about co-op scholarships?

Each year at Study Work Grow, we do the research for you and put it all in one easy to read place. Keep an eye out for our updated Scholarships Guide, <u>coming soon to the shop</u>.

In the meantime, we have heaps of other blogs to read on <u>university</u> and <u>money</u>. You might also like to browse our <u>scholarships database</u> and see if there are any opportunities for you.

University

Adjustment factors explained

If you're heading into your final high school exams this year and thinking about university, you've probably been browsing courses. You might have also have come across terms like "<u>ATAR cut-off</u>", "Selection Rank", and "adjustment factors".

But what do these mean, and how might they affect your chances of getting in to your dream course? Don't stress - we'll explain everything you need to know about adjustment factors in this article. Let's get started.

Selection Rank vs ATAR

Your ATAR is a number that illustrates your overall academic performance when compared to everyone else in your year group across the whole country. It's simply a numerical value that universities use to easily see how your results compare to other Year 12 students.

So why do you sometimes see a minimum Selection Rank (SR) listed for a course instead of a minimum ATAR? Well, each university is its own independent body, so they decide the minimum requirements for entry into their courses. And Selection Ranks are how they do this.

To calculate your SR, the university will take your ATAR (a set number that will never change), then add any adjustment factors - formerly called bonus points - that they think you're eligible for. The final total equals your Selection Rank.

To put it super simply, **ATAR + adjustment factors = SR**.





How to universities set Selection Ranks?

Each year, universities set the minimum SR for each course based on a few key factors, such as:

- the number of places available (the quota),
- how many people apply, and/or
- the overall competitiveness of applicants.

Because of this, the minimum SR required for entry to a course can change from one year to the next. These thresholds aren't set in advance, so when you're researching courses, last year's minimum should only be used as a general guide, not a guarantee.

And if your ATAR is slightly lower than the published SR, don't fret - you could be eligible for adjustment factors that will make up the difference.

Adjustment factors: What are they?

Now let's talk adjustment factors. These are the little pots of gold, the points that are added to your ATAR which make up your selection rank.

Adjustment factors exist to make the playing field more equal, ensuring that students who are at a disadvantage or who go the extra mile during their studies are given the best chance of securing a spot in their chosen course. There are lots of reasons you might receive adjustment factors, including:

- Performance in certain subjects
- Living in a rural or remote area
- Coming from a low-SES background
- Diversity
- Through schemes such as the <u>Educational Access Scheme</u> (EAS)
- Elite athletes and performers

Remember, these bonus points **don't actually change your final ATAR** - they are applied individually by different institutions, and are only taken into account during applications.

How do I access adjustment factors?

Some adjustment factors are added automatically when you submit an application, so you don't need to do a thing. Others require a separate application (such as EAS).

While one university might award you adjustment factors for certain things, another university might not. For example, <u>UNSW</u> awards bonus points to elite athletes and performers; <u>UNE</u> on the other hand does not. But UNE offers automatic adjustment factors for rural students, while at UNSW you need to submit a separate application. As selection rank adjustments vary between institutions, and even between courses at the same university, it's always worth checking the specific criteria for each before applying. The most reliable place to get information is from the universities themselves, so check on the course requirement pages, contact future students, or attend open days or information sessions.

You can also check with your state or territory's Tertiary Admissions Centre (TAC) about which adjustment factors will be applied automatically and which ones you'll need to apply for.

Which universities offer adjustment factors?

Want to know if your chosen university offers adjustment factors? The good news is pretty much all of them do. We've gathered links for each university across Australia so you can find out more.

Adjustment factors in New South Wales

- <u>Australian Catholic University</u>
- <u>Charles Darwin University</u>
- <u>CQUniversity</u>
- <u>Charles Sturt University</u>
- <u>La Trobe University</u> (they have a <u>calculator</u> to help you see how many points you might be eligible for)
- <u>Macquarie University</u> (they also have a <u>calculator</u> to help you see how many points you might be eligible for)
- UAC Educational Access Scheme





- University of New South Wales
- University of Newcastle
- University of Notre Dame Australia
- University of Sydney
- <u>University of Technology Sydney</u>
- University of Wollongong
- Western Sydney University

Adjustment factors in the Australian Capital Territory

- <u>Australian Catholic University</u>
- <u>Australian National University</u>
- <u>Charles Sturt University</u>
- UAC Educational Access Scheme
- University of Canberra
- <u>University of New South Wales</u>

Adjustment factors in Victoria

- <u>Australian Catholic University</u>
- <u>CQUniversity</u>
- Charles Sturt University
- Deakin University
- <u>Federation University</u>
- <u>La Trobe University</u> (they have a <u>calculator</u> to help you see how many points you might be eligible for)
- <u>Monash University</u> (they also have a <u>calculator</u> to help you see how many points you might be eligible for)
- <u>RMIT University</u>
- <u>Swinburne University of Technology</u>
- <u>University of Melbourne</u>
- <u>Victoria University</u>
- VTAC Special Entry Access Scheme

Adjustment factors in Queensland

- <u>Australian Catholic University</u>
- Bond University
- <u>CQUniversity</u>
- Griffith University
- James Cook University
- Queensland University of Technology
- QTAC Assistance Schemes
- University of Queensland
- University of Southern Queensland
- <u>University of the Sunshine Coast</u>

Adjustment factors in South Australia

- Adelaide University
- Flinders University
- <u>SATAC Adjustment Factor Schemes</u>

Adjustment factors in Western Australia

- Edith Cowan University
- <u>Curtin University</u>
- <u>Murdoch University</u>
- <u>TISC Tertiary Entrance Aggregate</u>





- University of Notre Dame Australia
- University of Western Australia

Adjustment factors in the Northern Territory

- Charles Darwin University
- <u>SATAC Adjustment Factor Schemes</u>

Adjustment factors in Tasmania

University of Tasmania

Find out more

If you want to know more about adjustment factors, the best thing to do is get in touch with the university directly. They will be able to tell you exactly what you can earn bonus points for and whether or not a separate application is necessary.

You can also contact your state or territory's Tertiary Admissions Centre (TAC), as they are also responsible for issuing some adjustment factors.

We also have heaps more tips and blogs on university applications on our website here.

People with Disability, Work Experience

Work experience opportunities for students with disabilities

Are you thinking about work experience but concerned about how your physical or cognitive disability might fit into a workplace setting? You're not alone - and the good news is that there are plenty of opportunities for students with disabilities to gain valuable work experience.

Work experience can be a fantastic way to explore potential career paths, develop new skills, and build confidence in a professional environment. With the right preparation and support, you can have a rewarding work experience placement that accommodates your specific needs.

Discussing your needs with employers

Remember to lead by highlighting your strengths during conversations or communications. Talk about what you can bring to their workplace - your unique perspective and problem-solving skills can be valuable assets to any employer, and many organisations are actively seeking diverse perspectives.

Be open

Being open about your requirements is an important first step. When talking with potential employers, be clear and specific about what you need.

For example, rather than saying, "I have mobility issues," you might say, "I am a wheelchair user and need an accessible workspace such as a desk at an appropriate height." This clarity helps employers understand exactly how to support you.

Focus on solutions

Focus on solutions instead of just explaining challenges, which can help employers see how easy it would be to accommodate you on a placement.

For example, you could say, "I have ADHD and work best when I can take short breaks every hour to refocus." This shows employers that you've already thought about how to manage your condition effectively in a workplace setting as well as helping them set appropriate expectations from the outset.

Workplace settings that can work well

You know yourself better than anyone, and work experience can be a great way to find options that offer both the career you want *and* a great environment for you.





Modern buildings

Some workplace environments may be more immediately suitable depending on your specific needs. Workplaces in more modern buildings are often designed with accessibility in mind and offer flexible working arrangements that can easily accommodate a range of disabilities.

Libraries and information centres

Libraries or information centres typically provide quieter, more structured environments that could work well for you if you have sensory sensitivities or anxiety.

Creative studios

Creative industries like design studios, marketing agencies, or media companies often have flexible workspaces and value diverse perspectives. These environments can be particularly welcoming to different ways of thinking and working.

Tech companies

Tech companies are another good option to consider. Many tech firms already have remote work options and adaptive technologies in place, making them well-equipped to accommodate various needs.

Education providers

Similarly, education settings such as schools, tutoring centres, or educational resource providers often have experience accommodating diverse needs and can offer supportive work environments.

Practical accommodations to suggest

There are many reasonable adjustments employers can make to help you succeed. Here are just some you might like to think about.

Flexible hours

Flexible hours can be incredibly helpful if you need to manage your energy levels or attend medical appointments. Starting later or having a more flexible schedule can make a big difference to your work experience.

Adaptive equipment

Adaptive equipment is another important consideration. Specific software, ergonomic furniture, or other tools can make a huge difference in your ability to perform tasks effectively. Be specific about what you need, as employers may not be aware of all the options available.

Other modifications

If certain tasks might be challenging due to your disability, don't be afraid to suggest modifications. For instance, if you have auditory processing difficulties, you might need written instructions for complex tasks. Most employers are happy to make these kinds of adjustments once they understand how they help you work more effectively.

Alternative work experience options

If traditional on-site placements don't seem like the best fit, there are other valuable options to consider.

Virtual work experience

Virtual work experience has become increasingly common, with many organisations now offering remote opportunities where you can complete projects from home. This can eliminate many physical barriers and allow you to work in an environment where you already have accommodations in place.

Job shadowing

Job shadowing can be less demanding than a full placement while still providing valuable insights into different careers. It might involve following a professional for a day or two and just observing (with the opportunity to ask some questions) to learn about their role without the pressure of performing tasks yourself.





Project-based work

Project-based work may be another alternative to look for or suggest to employers. You could complete specific projects for an organisation rather than working set hours, allowing for more flexibility in how and when you complete the work.

This approach focuses on outcomes rather than process, which can be ideal if you need to work in specific ways. You'll still get instructions and mentoring as you go, with feedback being provided at the conclusion.

Finding the right opportunity for you

Finding the right work experience opportunity involves considering both your needs and your interests. Talk to your school's career advisor about options specifically for students with disabilities, as they may have connections with <u>inclusive employers</u>. Many states also have <u>disability employment services</u> that offer work experience programs designed specifically for young people with disabilities.

It's also worth researching companies that have won awards for disability inclusion, as these organisations are likely to have well-established accommodation processes. Look beyond the obvious choices – sometimes smaller companies or non-profits can offer more personalised and flexible experiences.

And remember that your disability is just one aspect of who you are. Your interests, strengths, and career goals are equally important in finding the right work experience opportunity. With some planning and self-advocacy, you can find a placement that not only accommodates your needs but also provides valuable experience for your future career.

Learn more

Want to find more resources? We have heaps of other information about <u>work experience</u> or options for <u>students</u> <u>with disability</u>.

Job Spotlights

How to become a Publisher

Publishers plan and oversee the printing and distribution of written materials, including books, magazines, newspapers, and articles. They act as the bridge between writers and the public, making their work accessible and promoting it.

If you have a creative streak and eye for business, and you are persistent and an excellent communicator, then a career as a publisher could be worth exploring.

What skills do I need as a publisher?

- Good attention to detail
- Organised & efficient
- Great time management
- Excellent communicator
- Diplomatic & fair
- Great collaborator
- Digitally literate
- Adaptable & flexible

What does the job involve?

- Liaising with writers & editors
- Making final checks to works
- Negotiating contracts & deals
- Collaborating with designers & printers
- Preparing promotional materials
- Keeping track of timelines & budgets
- Organising & attend publicity events
- Managing relationships with vendors





What industries do publishers typically work in?

- Arts & Recreation Services
- Information Media & Telecommunications
- Professional, Scientific & Technical Services

What Career Cluster do publishers belong to?

Publishers are primarily <u>Linkers</u>, passionate about connecting books with readers. They essentially act as a "link" between the author and the reader - without a publisher, authors might struggle to have their work found, while readers might struggle to find books they love.

They also use some skills from the <u>Coordinator</u> Cluster, particularly when it comes to managing schedules and budgets.

What kind of lifestyle can I expect?

As a publisher, you can expect most of your work to be done during regular business hours, but you might work some overtime to meet deadlines. Most publishers work full-time, but there are occasionally opportunities for part-time work too.

Most publishers earn an average wage over the course of their careers.

A lot of your work will be done indoors, either in an office environment or potentially even from home.

How to become a publisher

While formal qualifications aren't strictly necessary to work in publishing, they can boost your employability. Work experience and internships are both highly regarded, and are a great way to make connections for future potential job opportunities.

- Finish high school with a focus on English and Maths.
- Consider completing a relevant tertiary qualification, typically in communications or arts.
- If possible, undertake an internship with a publishing house. If not, find entry-level jobs and start building your practical experience and networks.
- Think about specialising in a particular area of publishing. There are many to choose from, including:
 - $\circ \quad \text{Advertising \& Marketing} \\$
 - Contracts & Rights
 - o Design
 - \circ Distribution
 - o Editing
 - Production & Printing
 - o Sales
- With enough experience, you might like to start your own publishing business.

What can I do right now to work towards this career?

If you're in high school and you'd like to find out if becoming a publisher is right for you, here are a few things you could do right now:

- Find work experience with a publishing firm or other creative business to get a feel for what the industry is like and make important future contacts.
- Do some research into the industry and think about which style of works you'd like to publish (e.g. fiction, non-fiction, magazines, etc.).
- Talk to a publisher to see what their job involves. If you don't know anyone, try to find videos or documentaries instead.

Where can I find more information?

- <u>Australian Publishing Association</u>
- Publishers Association of New Zealand | Te Rau o Tākupu
- <u>Publishers Association</u> (UK)





- Association of American Publishers
- Canadian Publishers' Council

Similar careers to publisher

- <u>Editor</u>
- <u>Writer</u>
- <u>Librarian</u>
- <u>Journalist</u>
- <u>Copywriter</u>
- Advertising Manager
- <u>Curator</u>
- Social Media Manager

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