



Careers Newsletter

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It is the responsibility of the student to confirm all details with the appropriate institution.

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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=fZoyckJwvVg&feature=youtu.be>

Macquarie Market Month

25 August 2020, 4:00 pm - 25 September 2020, 7:00 pm

Online

We're bringing Macquarie University to you!

With many tertiary info events cancelled, we wanted you to know that our Student Ambassadors are here to help with your questions about studying at university.

Students and/or parents can book a time to speak directly with a Student Ambassador about specific uni courses, early entry and uni life.

Register now to secure your place.

Find out more: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/macquarie-market-month-registration-116180648447>

Endeavour | Natural Health Careers Month

1 September 2020, 10:00 am - 30 September 2020, 7:00 pm

Online

Endeavour's Natural Health Careers Month is a month-long online event in September dedicated to the exciting and diverse possibilities a career in natural health can take you. Each week we will focus on different courses so, depending on your specific interest, you choose the week (or weeks) that suits you. Throughout the month we'll be hosting a range of live webinars, on demand videos, useful articles, live Q&As and more

Find out more: <https://www.endeavour.edu.au/events/natural-health-careers-month/>

[UOS | How to apply for E12 Webinar](#)

1 September 2020, 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Online

Join us for an overview on applying for our Early Offer Year 12 (E12) Scheme. Find out everything you need to know before submitting your application, including tips for writing your supporting statement.

Find out more: https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_89KJX1CtSkWoiOUlh9LQfw

[Defence Careers Virtual Information Session](#)

1 September 2020, 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Online

Consider a career like no other and represent Australia with pride in the Navy, Army or Air Force.

Tune in for a virtual info session to speak with current serving members and ask your questions – is a career in the Australian Defence Force for you?

Find out more: <https://www.defencejobs.gov.au/events/events-detail/kd8oph5>

[UOS | How to apply for E12 Webinar](#)

2 September 2020, 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Online

Join us for an overview on applying for our Early Offer Year 12 (E12) Scheme. Find out everything you need to know before submitting your application, including tips for writing your supporting statement.

Find out more: https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_89KJX1CtSkWoiOUlh9LQfw

[SCCE | Exchange Webinar](#)

10 September 2020, 6:00 pm

Online

At SCCE, we understand that there is a lot to consider when going on exchange, which is why we are happy to offer these regular online information webinars to teach you all about your student exchange options. Our online sessions go for approximately 30 minutes. They will guide you through everything from you need to know about our programs. There is also time at the end of the presentation to ask questions, providing a wonderful opportunity to interact with both our staff and other future exchange students.

Find out more: <https://www.thisisscce.com/learn-more/exchange-webinars/>

[WEP | Student Exchange Webinar](#)

15 September 2020, 6:00 pm

Online

What are your goals?

Imagine making friends from all over the world, learning about yourself and the world around you and seeing sights you could only dream of!

Find out more about your high school student exchange options at WEP's info session.

Find out more: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Juys0MkoT6SqZlRtiOGew

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[ACU | A Focus on Health Sciences](#)

7 October 2020, 5:00 pm

Online

ACU offers a broad range of degrees in health sciences. When you study with us, you'll go beyond the theory. You'll also have the opportunity to apply your new skills in a health care setting. Under the guidance of experts in their fields, you'll deliver health services to students, staff and the wider community.

Hear from our current students about their experiences.

Find out more: <https://www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/events/2020/october/a-focus-on-health-sciences>

[ACU | A Focus on Arts](#)

14 October 2020, 5:00 pm

Online

Build a degree that focuses on your strengths and passions so you can face the challenges of the future as a well-rounded, confident and flexible individual. As an arts graduate in a rapidly changing world, your in-demand and transferable skills in communication, problem solving and creative thinking will allow you to meet the needs of employers across a range of industries.

Hear from our current students about their experiences.

Find out more: <https://www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/events/2020/october/a-focus-on-arts>

[ACU | A Focus on Education](#)

22 October 2020, 5:00 pm

Online

Our new Bachelor of Education courses are flexible to meet your needs and interests. Depending on your choice of specialisation, our courses give you the option to choose a pathway into a range of school settings and specialist teacher roles, giving you the skills to manage social, cultural and developmental diversity within the classroom.

You will also discover what a day in the life of an ACU education student looks like.

Find out more: <https://www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/events/2020/october/a-focus-on-education>

[BOP School Holiday Online Workshops](#)

21 September 2020, 9:00 am - 1 October 2020, 1:00 pm

Online

At BOP we develop and deliver programs for primary and high school students to help them develop their 21st-century skills around entrepreneurship, STEAM, and innovation. We work with schools, government and industry to create real, relevant and relatable content for students to get them innovating, creating and discovering the amazing things they can do at any age, from anywhere.

Our September School Holiday Online Workshops line-up will be taking place on different days over the course of the school holidays. Students may attend just one, or all of the programs. Programs include:

- Emerging Esports Influencers Program
- Inventor's Lab: FutureMakers Online

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- Household Innovators
- Business Builders
- Innovation in Aviation: Jumbo Jet Redesign

Find out more: <https://events.humanitix.com/bopschoolholidays>

[Queensland Ballet | Elite Training Series Online](#)

21 September 2020, 10:00 am - 26 September 2020, 5:00 pm

Online

The Elite Training Series is a unique opportunity for advanced students to work with Queensland Ballet Academy's world-class faculty as they offer a program of elite training and information forums hosted entirely online. Students from across Australia and overseas are welcome to join.

Participants will enjoy classes in ballet, technique / pointe, contemporary, body conditioning, and classical character dance with our world-class faculty. Other informative sessions will include a Q&A session with Academy staff, safe dance practice and a sports psychology session.

Find out more: <https://www.queenslandballet.com.au/academy/events/elite-training-series>

[BiG Day In Darwin and Online](#)

23 September 2020, 9:30 am - 2:00 pm

Hilton Darwin & Online

Join BiG Day In in the Grand Ballroom at the Hilton Darwin or online to hear leading speakers from companies such as Adobe, Microsoft, NEC, Kinetic IT, Defence Force Recruiting and more to come, talking about the future of technology and how students can get involved in shaping the future.

Find out more: <https://www.thebigdayin.com.au/virtual-darwin>

[Australian Disability and Indigenous Peoples' Education Fund](#)

Value: \$2,500 AUD

Open/Closing Dates: April 1, 2020 – September 30, 2020

The Australian Disability & Indigenous Peoples' Education Fund (ADIPEF) has been established to assist people with disabilities from both indigenous and non-indigenous backgrounds.

People with disabilities of any age living in Australia may apply for any assistance to help with both formal and informal education. While people may need assistance to complete the application, we would like a letter in the persons own words telling us why they want to learn.

[Find out more](#)

[UOW Vice-Chancellor's Elite Academic Scholarship](#)

Value: \$10,000 AUD per year

Open/Closing Dates: July 20, 2020 – December 11, 2020

The Vice-Chancellor's Elite Academic Scholarship seeks to guide students who have demonstrated passion and potential to become ambassadors for the University of Wollongong.

Application Criteria:

- Applicants must receive an offer and enrol in their 1st year of an undergraduate degree (excluding Global Honours) at the University of Wollongong, 2021;
- Applicants must have completed their HSC or equivalent in 2020;
- The successful applicant will have an ATAR or equivalent of 90+;
- Applicants must demonstrate evidence of leadership and extracurricular activities within their application;
- The successful scholarship recipients will be expected to meet the on-going requirements of the scholarship;
- Applicants must be an Australian or New Zealand Citizen, or the holder of an Australian Permanent Resident or Permanent Humanitarian Visa.

[Find out more](#)

[UNSW William McIlrath Rural Scholarship](#)

Value: Up to \$10,000 AUD per year

Open/Closing Dates: July 2, 2020 – September 30, 2020

The William McIlrath Rural Scholarship was established to encourage and assist rural students from NSW to undertake a full-time undergraduate program in the following UNSW Faculties: Science, Engineering, Law, Medicine, Built Environment and the UNSW Business School.

Eligibility:

- Must be currently undertaking an Australian Senior Secondary Certificate (i.e. the HSC) or equivalent
- Applicants who have completed their schooling in the previous two years are also eligible to apply provided they have not commenced any tertiary study in the meantime
- Must be proposing to undertake the first year of a full-time undergraduate program in the following Faculties: Science, Engineering, Law, Medicine, Built Environment or UNSW Business School in 2021.
- Students must be from a rural or isolated area of New South Wales

[Find out more](#)

[Macquarie Business School Dean's Academic Excellence Scholarship](#)

Value: \$5,000 - \$10,000 AUD per year

Open/Closing Dates: April 3, 2020 – November 27, 2020

The Macquarie Business School is offering merit-based scholarships for high achieving Year 12 domestic students enrolling in an eligible Macquarie Business School degree program for 2021 as part of our Macquarie Business School Academic Excellence Scholarships.

To be eligible to receive a scholarship offer, you must meet the following criteria:

- Students with an ATAR of 98.00 or above, excluding adjustment factors (previously bonus points)
- Australian or New Zealand citizens, or the holder of an Australian permanent resident visa or permanent humanitarian visa
- Current school leavers or gap year students who graduated in the previous year where no tertiary study was undertaken in the gap year
- Have received an offer and accepted through UAC for an eligible Macquarie Business School undergraduate degree course, including some associated double degrees, studying full-time **OR** have received an early offer and accepted as part of our Macquarie Leaders and Achievers entry scheme for a Macquarie Business School undergraduate course, including some associated double degrees, studying full-time

Scholarships will be automatically awarded to those students who receive an offer and accept and enrol in an eligible degree.

[Find out more](#)

[Campion College Leadership Scholarship](#)

Value: \$2,000 to \$6,000 AUD per year

Open/Closing Dates: August 1, 2020 – December 3, 2020

Leadership Scholarships acknowledge students who demonstrate innovative and enterprise-driven leadership which impacts their academic work or community environments.

The scholarship is open to undergraduate students studying full time (i.e. minimum 3 units per semester), including new students and continuing students. In order to be eligible for this scholarship, students should demonstrate:

- That they have been in a leadership position in either their school or community, by providing appropriate references; and
- Satisfactory academic performance.

[Find out more](#)

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[The Valerie Joan Beale Bequest](#)

Value: \$20,000 AUD per year

Open/Closing Dates: August 29, 2020 – December 31, 2020

This scholarship supports commencing students experiencing financial hardship or other disadvantages.

You must:

- be an Australian citizen or permanent resident
- be commencing in a University of Sydney coursework degree
- apply for an Equity Scholarship via the UAC online portal.

[Find out more](#)

[Mary River Press Services Short Story Prize](#)

Do you want to polish up your short story writing skills and get a free expert appraisal of your work? Entries are currently open for the 2020 Mary River Press Services Short Story Prize, worth a total of AU \$140.

The prize is open to all short story authors writing in English. We seek original short stories between 2000 and 5000 words. All winners will be published on our site.

Competition closes Sunday 1 November.

Find out more and enter: <https://maryriverpress.com/competitions/>

[Unearthed 2020](#)

Unearthed is an environmental themed art contest, held by Green Citizens Australia Network (GCAN).

Artists from around Australia are invited to submit paintings and drawings on the themes of environment and eco living. There is a youth category for people aged 11-17, with a top prize of \$500.

The competition is open until Wednesday 30 September.

Find out more and enter here: <https://gcan.org.au/art/>

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[Schools Reconciliation Challenge 2020](#)

The Schools Reconciliation Challenge is an annual writing and art program for young people across NSW and the ACT.

Every year, we ask students to create artworks and stories inspired by a theme, and to reflect on what reconciliation means to them. This year the theme is: Caring for Country.

All young people in Years 3-10, Indigenous and non-Indigenous, of all abilities, can enter. Young people may participate through their school or independently. It's free to take part.

The challenge runs until Friday 25 September.

Find out more and enter here: <https://www.schoolsreconciliationchallenge.org.au/>

[The Poetry Society National Poetry Competition](#)

The 2020 National Poetry Competition is open for entries.

Aspiring poets from around the world are invited to enter their poems of 40 lines or less for the chance to win up to £5,000.

You must be 18 or older to enter. **The competition closes on Saturday 31 October.**

Find out more and enter here: <http://poetrysociety.org.uk/competitions/national-poetry-competition/>

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[A Career in Architecture](#)

A career in Architecture presents so many opportunities, read about the [pathways](#) that could get you there.

No time to read, no worries. Here's a [podcast](#) that asks architects from around Australia how they continue to learn and develop their practices in their fast-evolving profession.

We found these resources on the Australian Institute of Architects website, there's plenty more information on there too, if you'd like to find out more.

[Your Human Right to Work](#)

Did you know that access to work is one of your basic human rights in Australia? The Australian Government is a party to seven international human rights treaties, and one of them covers your right to work.

This means that everyone in Australia has the opportunity earn a living through any kind of work they freely choose. They are also not allowed to be deprived of work unfairly or discriminated against.

So, as long as you are of legal working age (which can vary from state to state), there is nothing stopping you from going out and looking for work. Even if you are still a student at high school or university, you are allowed to work.

However, keep in mind that this doesn't mean you are *guaranteed* to be employed. These things are still affected by factors such as job availability and whether or not you are qualified. But there's nothing out there to stop you from applying for and accepting any job you want.

Favourable Working Conditions

You also have a right to just and favourable conditions at work, including:

- fair wages, with equal pay for equal work
- safe and healthy working conditions
- equal opportunity for promotions
- rest, leisure time, holidays, and reasonable working hours

It's important to keep these things in mind when you start working for the first time. And if you feel like something is wrong, you don't have to stay quiet because you are young or inexperienced – there are ways you can take action if you believe you are being treated unfairly at work.

Discrimination

These human rights treaties also cover issues around discrimination in the workforce. You are entitled to help or compensation if you are refused a job, fired, made to work in unfair conditions, or are harassed because of your:

- sex
- disability
- race
- age (young or old)
- sexual preference
- religion
- criminal record
- trade union activity
- political opinion

It is against the law for an employer to discriminate against you for any of the above reasons. If you find that you have been refused a job or fired for these reasons, remember that is absolutely *not* ok.

Note that while workplace bullying is different from discrimination, there are still laws out there to protect you from bullying as well. Take a look at our blog [on how to protect yourself from workplace bullying](#) to find out more.

Where Can I Get Help?

The Australian Government is responsible for making sure your rights are met and respected at work. They have passed laws and rules that enforce your rights at work, and have set up several different bodies to assist you with different issues.

The [Fair Work Ombudsman](#) is a government body that can help you with advice on things like pay, leave, work hours, entitlements, and plenty of other work and employment-related issues.

[Safe Work Australia](#) is another government body that creates policy and provides advice on issues such as workplace safety and accident and injury compensation. Each State and Territory also has their own workplace health and safety regulator, who can do things like provide licences and registrations, and investigate workplace accidents.

The [Australian Human Rights Commission](#) is an independent body that can investigate complaints and provide advice on discrimination and harassment in the workplace.

Find Out More

If you want to know about your human right to work, find out more with some of our blogs:

- [When Can I Start Work?](#)
- [Understanding Workplace Health and Safety](#)
- [Be Work Ready](#)

You can also find more information and advice here:

- [Fair Work Ombudsman](#)
- [Safe Work Australia](#)
- [Australian Human Rights Commission](#)

[Listen to the STEM Careers Podcast](#)

The Queensland Government's STEM Careers podcast series features interviews with STEM professionals doing incredible work that is impacting the lives of the people around them.

The podcast gives you the chance to learn just how interesting and rewarding a career in STEM can be.

Listen to the podcast here: <https://qed.qld.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media/podcasts/podcasts-stem>

[In-demand roles for 31 August 2020](#)

This week, there was strong growth for roles in Banking and Financial Services.

These jobs can include roles such as bankers, accountants, financial planners, and more. You can also check out our Job Spotlights on [Bookkeeping](#) and [Stock Trading](#) to find out more about careers in financial services.

Here are the top in-demand roles by location:

NSW – [Receptionist](#) (2,826 jobs)

VIC – [Classroom Teacher](#) (116 jobs)

QLD – [Counsellor](#) (778 jobs)

ACT – [Service Designer](#) (447 jobs)

WA – [Marketing Coordinator](#) (234 jobs)

SA – [Recruitment Consultant](#) (630 jobs)

TAS – [Carpenter](#) (55 jobs)

NT – [Business Analyst](#) (76 jobs)

Source: [Seek Australia](#)

Further Learning

[Ever thought of going to University Online?](#)

It's no surprise that 2020 has made us rethink what's possible.

One of the few good things that has come out of this entire pandemic experience is that Online Learning has come along in leaps and bounds. People of all ages have found ways to continue their learning from home using technology like Zoom and a good dose of creativity.

If you're weighing up your options for 2021 and beyond, you might like to take another look at your post-school online learning options. Even if the pandemic is still making waves, you could start a university degree or vocational course without needing to leave the house.

To get a better idea of what going to uni online could look like we asked David Cummings from Open Universities Australia about the Online Learning experience.

[Check out the full interview on our website here.](#)

Indigenous Banking Traineeship

Maxima are currently hiring an Indigenous Banking Trainee on behalf of Westpac Bank in Tuggerah.

This traineeship is a great opportunity to kick-start your career in the banking and finance industry. You will work face-to-face with customers, conduct banking transactions, and assist with other general duties. Over the 24-month traineeship you will also earn your Certificate III in Financial Services.

Find out more about the opportunity and apply here: <https://maxima.com.au/job-details/query/indigenous-full-time-banking-trainee-westpac-tuggerah/in/gosford-andamp-central-coast/7935938/>

UOW's Indigenous Admissions Program

The University of Wollongong offers an Indigenous Admissions Program (IAP) for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students looking to gain admission to university.

The IAP is an alternative pathway to study for students who didn't receive an ATAR, or if their ATAR wasn't high enough for their chosen course.

The IAP application process involves:

1. Pre-screening phone interview
2. Career consultation
3. Online academic assessments
4. Zoom faculty interviews
5. Strengths and needs assessment

Assessment for IAP begins in October, so get your application in now. If your application and assessment are successful, you will be offered a place in one of UOW's degrees.

Find out more: <https://www.uow.edu.au/about/services/woolyungah-indigenous-centre/future-students/>

Admission to Teaching at UON

Are you thinking of studying an Education degree at the University of Newcastle?

Take a look on our blog to see a short video detailing the entry requirements for the degree.

If you want to find out more about studying Education at UON, go here:

<https://www.newcastle.edu.au/new-students/accept-your-offer/teaching-entry>

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[Get into uni with OUA](#)

This year hasn't quite gone to plan. Maybe your studies have been disrupted, and you're worried about getting into uni next year. But there's still a way.

Open Universities Australia offers a huge variety of courses, and many of them have subjects with no entry requirements. This means you can start your studies without having to worry about your ATAR.

So how does it work? First, you enrol in some open subjects for the degree you want to do. If you pass those subjects, you can use them progress on to a full degree. And by studying online, you can choose from universities across the country, instead of the ones nearby.

Find out more about Open Universities Australia here: <https://www.open.edu.au/campaigns/get-going-with-oua>

[Study Human Biology with Endeavour](#)

Do you have an interest in science and health? Endeavour College of Natural Health are offering an Undergraduate Certificate in Human Biology, giving you a comprehensive understanding of human biology, human anatomy, chemistry, and biochemistry.

This course is perfect for students to fulfil the requirements of an undergraduate health or science degree, or for those who just want to learn more about human biology. The certificate offers a direct pathway into Endeavour's Health Science degrees.

The course is offered fully online and only takes 6 months to complete. Enrolment for the course opens monthly, meaning you can start at any time throughout the year.

Find out more here: <https://www.endeavour.edu.au/short-courses/undergraduate-certificate-human-biology/>

[UTS | Introduction and Structure of the United Nations – Short Course](#)

This course provides an in-depth session on the key aspects of the General Assembly, the Security Council, the Secretariat and other UN agencies. We will consider and analyse the operations of each and how they impact upon the world, including the study of a couple of historical case studies.

This course is part of a series intended for and accessible to any participant who is interested in learning more about the UN, UNAA, and some key activities and challenges facing the UN.

The course next runs online on Thursday 3 September from 4.00pm – 5.00pm.

Find out more and enrol here: <https://open.uts.edu.au/uts-open/faculty/engineering-and-information-technology/introduction-and-structure-of-the-united-nations/>

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[STAR Early Offer – Applications Close Soon](#)

Southern Cross University's STAR Early Offer Program helps take the stress out of exams by giving you peace of mind with an early offer to university.

Instead of worrying about your ATAR, STAR allows you to receive an offer based on a school recommendation and your high school grades.

It's free to apply through STAR, and you can get an early offer into almost all of SCU's undergraduate degrees.

Applications close on Friday 11 September, so get yours in now.

Find out more: <https://www.scu.edu.au/star-early-offer/>

[UTS Secondary Education Combined Degrees](#)

Are you thinking of becoming a secondary school teacher? UTS' unique 'vertical stack' course structure combines both undergraduate and postgraduate study into one degree, meaning you get qualified faster.

You can combine an undergraduate Science, Communication (Creative Writing) or Engineering Studies degree with a postgraduate degree in Secondary Education, finishing in as little as four years.

Recent school leavers can apply for the program, meaning your path is set once you leave school.

Find out more about UTS' new combined degrees here: <https://www.uts.edu.au/future-students/education/undergraduate/undergraduate-education-courses/secondary-education>

[Becoming an Author in High School](#)

For a lot of us, getting a book published might seem like a far-off dream. But for Year 11 student Georgia Wright, this dream has become a reality.

At just 16 years old she has recently had her very first novel published, called *Love Hurts*. Georgia said that reading and storytelling has always been a huge part of her life, and she started writing her first book in Year 8.

She said that she received a great amount of support from her school, teachers and friends. And she's already looking forward to the future, starting to write her second novel and planning to study creative writing at university.

You can read more about Georgia's story here: <https://qed.qld.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media/student-publishes-debut-novel>

[A Day in the Life of a Teaching and Arts Student at ACU](#)

Have you ever wondered what a day in the life of a uni student looks like?

Go on a journey with Jenna Peisley, Teaching at Arts student at the Australian Catholic University, to find out all about what a typical day as a student might involve.

Take a look at the video here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ukK9eDgJ9Ms&feature=youtu.be>

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[Indigenous Career Stories in Nursing](#)

Indigenous nurses could provide cultural connections, that ultimately result in better outcomes for their indigenous patients.

[Check out our blog](#) for a heap of resources from current Indigenous health professionals to find out what they think of their career in nursing.

Resources and Pathways

If you're interested in finding out a bit more about careers in nursing or midwifery, here's a few resources that could help you out:

- [How to become a Registered Nurse \(RN\)](#)
- [How to become a Midwife](#)
- [How to become a Pathology Collector](#)
- [Careers in the Aged Care Industry](#)

You can also find out about [indigenous pathways](#) into courses and degrees, or [scholarships](#) that could help you get there.

There's plenty of information available from professional bodies too:

- [Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia](#)
- [The Congress of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Nurses and Midwives \(CATSINaM\)](#)
- [The Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation](#)

You could even look at specific courses such as:

- [Bachelor of Nursing Science \[Indigenous Health Careers Program\]](#) at JCU
- The [School of Nursing, Midwifery and Indigenous Health at CSU](#) offer a full range of nursing focused courses from undergraduate through to the postgraduate level.

[Meet the Young Australian Creating Robots for Good](#)

From imagining a robot to clean the dishes for you when she was just 12, Marita Cheng has since gone on to create machines that can help people around the world.

The young Australian inventor is passionate about using robotics and STEM to help people with disabilities, older people, and anyone else who might need assistance.

You can read about her inspirational story and how her love of technology has taken her around the world in this article: <https://www.theage.com.au/national/mum-told-me-to-give-back-to-the-community-the-young-australian-creating-robots-for-good-20200626-p556nl.html>

Job Spotlight

[How to become a Teacher's Aide](#)

What do Teacher's Aides do?

Teacher's Aides work in classrooms supporting teachers to deliver lessons by preparing resources, supervising, and looking after students' wellbeing helping them work towards their learning goals, as well as carrying out a variety of other general tasks.

If you enjoy working with children, are patient, organised and fun-loving, this career could be a great fit for you.

About you:

- Patient, trustworthy and approachable, whilst remaining professional and responsible
- Able to be understanding and encouraging, communicating ideas in different ways and on different levels
- A problem-solver with a creative streak, great at conflict resolution with a good sense of humour

The job:

- Organise, maintain and prepare classroom resources for each lesson and tidy up between activities
- Help individuals or small groups of students with activities, additional learning support, or testing.
- Provide one-one-one assistance to children with special needs, disabilities, or those who have English as their second language.
- Carry out basic administrative tasks including photocopying, filing, distributing information and ordering supplies
- Attend staff and parent-teacher meetings if required

Lifestyle Impact: Low

- Part Time opportunities: High (79% of Teacher's Aides work part time – Source: joboutlook.gov.au)
- Below average hours for full-time workers (average 40 per week)
- Teacher's Aide salary (average) *\$65,000 per year (Source: indeed.com) *Full-time positions
- Future career growth: Very Strong (Source: joboutlook.gov.au)
- Working from home is not an option for this career but many jobs are school hours and term times only.

Teacher's Aides are most in demand in these locations:

Queensland employs the highest number of employees in this role, but Teacher's Aides work and are in demand in most parts of Australia.

How to become a Teacher's Aide in Australia

Formal qualifications aren't always necessary for this job, but it could help you find a job more easily, applications are often highly competitive.

Also, once you secure a job, you may be eligible to earn a higher salary bracket if you have some qualifications.

Step 1 – Successfully complete Year 12 – good grades in English and Maths could be useful.

Step 2 – Consider undertaking a qualification relevant to education, or look for a [traineeship](#). For example:

[Certificate III in Education Support](#) through TAFE or another RTO

[Certificate IV in Education Support](#) through TAFE or another RTO

[Diploma of School Age Education and Care](#)

A Certificate III is the entry-level qualification that covers the basics including literacy and numeracy. A Certificate IV or Diploma could provide you with more opportunities to work with children with disabilities or special needs.

Step 3 – Although formal qualifications may not be required, before applying for jobs you'll need to check if you're eligible and may also have to apply for:

- A driver's license
- National police check
- Working with children check
- First Aid Certificate
- [Anaphylaxis training](#)

And you may have to take (and pass) a psychometric or aptitude test.

Step 4 – Get some work experience and decide if you would like to upgrade your qualifications and become a teacher.

Find out more here –

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Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's)

- **Do I need qualifications to become a Teacher's Aide?**

No, you don't always need a formal qualification to become a Teacher's Aide, but it could help you find work faster and get paid at a higher level.

- **Where do Teacher's Aides work?**

Teacher's Aides work in Kindergartens, Primary Schools, Secondary Schools and other training or education organisations. They are not home-based jobs; you'll need to be on site to work (possibly with some travel required depending on your role).

- **How long will it take to qualify as a Teacher's Aide?**

You could secure a job after leaving high school without any additional qualifications and start working straight away.

A [traineeship](#) could take up to two years to complete, you'll need to complete all the necessary course material and practical (paid) hours. (Note: You could be eligible to start a traineeship while you're still at school).

A Certificate III takes 9 -12 months to complete, a Certificate IV takes on average 11 months of full-time study, and a Diploma could take up to 2 years.

- **What is the difference between and Teachers Assistant and a Teacher's Aide?**

Aides are responsible for general classroom tasks, whereas Assistant Teachers are qualified to provide instructional teaching support, they can take over when the lead teacher is absent.

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