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Open Days & Info Sessions

Raytheon Australia Virtual Career Fair

Wednesday 31 August 2022, 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Online

Join us at our Virtual Career Fair events to find out why it's great to #workhere at Raytheon Australia. Register to attend this free event where you can expect to hear a short presentation on the company, our work for the ADF and our exciting new roles. You will also be able to meet and talk with a range of Raytheon Australia employees from early career to our most senior leaders.

Find out more: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/raytheon-australia-virtual-career-fair-31-august-2022-tickets-396957950917>

Black Dog Institute | Insight

Thursday 1 September 2022, 2:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Online

Understanding mental health is a minefield for many of us, but that's where we can help. Our presentation, developed by experts, has been designed to help young people be able to:

- Identify depression from normal mood swings
- Understand types of mental health concerns
- Recognise symptoms of depression and anxiety
- Know when professional help is needed
- Understand treatment options
- Feel free and confident to talk about mental health
- Spot and monitor warning signs in themselves and others

Our free, 30 minute sessions are presented by community members with lived experience of mental illness. The presenters speak from the heart, sharing their personal story as well as our expert knowledge.

Find out more: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_4j29KffKTBWBfMufI4szUA

Basair | Pilot Career Seminar

Monday 12 September 2022, 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Basair Aviation College, Bankstown Aerodrome

Learn about career paths, salaries, entry level jobs, qualifications, pilot courses and everything you need to know about becoming a Commercial Pilot in less than a year at Basair.

Find out more: <https://basair.com.au/seminar-events/sydney-pilot-career-seminar-sep-12-2022/>

WEP | Student Exchange Info Session

Wednesday 14 September 2022, 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Online

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 student exchange opportunities at WEP's online info session.

Find out more: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_QKUW-fadTTmRuimQGm8oOA

NSW Police | Recruitment Information & PCT Practice

Friday 16 September 2022, 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Australian College of Physical Education, Sydney Olympic Park

If you are interested in a career with the NSW Police Force the Recruitment Branch would like to invite you to an Information session including a physical practice session.

The aim of the session is to provide you with a "try before you buy" insight into the application process and physical capacity testing day.

The information session will give you a brief introduction to the application process and a Q & A session. Following the information session you will be invited to stay and take part in a practice Physical Capacity Testing (PCT) session. This event is a practice session only and will not be recorded as an official result towards a police application.

You will be provided with important information and an opportunity to gain hands on practice for each of the tests. Qualified NSW Police PTI's will be on hand to answer your test and fitness questions.

There is no obligation to stay for the physical practice session, however this would be a good opportunity to test yourself in an informal environment.

Find out more: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/nsw-police-recruitment-information-pct-practice-sydney-olympic-park-tickets-404965832707?aff=efbeventtix>

endota Wellness College | Open Day

Saturday 17 September 2022, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

endota Wellnes College, Alexandria

eWC invites you to come to Open Day and learn how we get our students job-ready within Australia's largest spa network. Offering full-time, part-time and blended learning courses in Beauty Therapy, Remedial Massage and Salon Management.

What's Happening:

- Hear from our CEO, Helen Robb-Lacey
- Meet our expert team of Trainers
- Take a tour around our spa-like campus
- Have your questions answered
- Find the right course for you
- Join our connected community

Find out more: <https://endotawellnesscollege.edu.au/open-day-rsvp/>

Creative Careers Expo 2022

Wednesday 21 September 2022, 9:00 am - Thursday 22 September 2022, 2:00 pm

Campbelltown Arts Centre

Campbelltown Art Centre's annual *Creative Careers Expo* for high school students and emerging creatives offers a packed program of talks with artists and creative professionals, alongside stalls, live music, breakout workshops and presentations from leading tertiary institutions in the creative industries.

Campbelltown Arts Centre is committed to supporting arts learning and post-school pathways, providing inspiration and understanding of diverse career paths in the creative industries.

Find out more: <https://c-a-c.com.au/creative-careers-expo/#>

University of Sydney | Portfolio Pathway Workshop

Wednesday 21 September 2022, 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Online

Hear from the experts who will assess your portfolio as they take you through the dos and don'ts for an exceptional submission. Get tips on selecting your works, presentation skills and how to communicate your passion for design. Successful applicants will receive five adjustment factors when applying to an architecture, design and planning degree.

Find out more: https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_5CvXg3y7TRaDQOB0ee66yg

UAC Digital | Let's Chat – Music Students

Wednesday 21 September 2022, 6:00 pm

Online

If you are interested in music degree then this session is for you. Current students from a range of unis share their experiences of student life. Topics covered include:

- how they decided on the course they are studying
- what they found easy about the process of applying and enrolling, and what they found hard
- what they thought uni would be like
- the best thing about being at uni
- their hopes and dreams for when they finish

Find out more: <https://uacdigital.easywebinar.live/registration-let-s-chat-music-students-for-the-sound-of-music>

EY: Ready to Launch | Webinar

Tuesday 11 October 2022, 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Online

This event will allow attendees to learn about the various pathways available at EY – the focus will be on how students can start their careers with EY and begin building future skills for success.

Join us for a live stream, interactive presentation and panel session, where you'll have the opportunity to:

- Learn about EY and the career paths available
- Learn how students can get future ready. We'll explain the EY programs available to students and how and when to apply for these.
- Ask questions of a panel of EY employees. Our panellists will talk about their career pathways, including what they enjoyed at school, what they studied at university and how they ended up where they are today.

Find out more: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/ey-ready-to-launch-webinar-tickets-391477619097>

ACU | Talk with Occupational Therapists and Speech Pathologists

Tuesday 18 October 2022, 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Online

Allied health practitioners help us live life to the fullest. You can diagnose, treat, and rehabilitate patients, and help improve their quality of life.

Join us online to hear from ACU alumni about their experiences improving people's quality of life. Take part in a Q&A session with our graduates and learn about the rewarding and challenging careers of occupational therapists and speech pathologists.

Find out more: <https://www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/events/2022/october/talk-with-occupational-therapists-and-speech-pathologists>

AIT | Virtual Open Day

Saturday 19 November 2022, 11:00 am - 2:00 pm

Online

Join us on Saturday 19 November for our Virtual Open Day! Hear from our subject matter experts and find out more about the study stream you're most interested in. We'll have sessions on 2D animation, 3D animation, game design, film, mobile app development and games programming.

We understand this is a busy time of year for many, that's why we will be hosting this virtual event live – attendees can ask their questions and interact with others on the day from wherever they are around Australia. After the event, we will offer recordings of all the key moments for those who couldn't make it. Interested students are invited to follow up Open Day with an in-person campus tour at a time that suits them.

Find out more: https://info.ait.edu.au/open-day-november_2022

Workshops and Courses

AFTT | Acting High School Workshop

Tuesday 27 September 2022, 9:30 am - 5:00 pm

Academy of Film, Theatre & Television, Surry Hills

Come along to our introductory workshop and learn what a career in the acting industry would be like. This workshop is a great opportunity to visit our campus and experience the way we teach our students as we showcase acting in a concise one day workshop. This is a very hands on day where students will have a chance to interact, use state of the art equipment and learn new techniques.

Explore an introduction to the Morris Technique preparation exercises, coupled with improvisation and script work in the AFTT theatre. You will also have the chance to apply acting techniques whilst performing on camera and collaborating with peers to write, perform and shoot your very own single shot short film.

Find out more: <https://www.aftt.edu.au/events/high-school-workshops/acting-high-school-workshop>

AFTT | Film High School Workshop

Wednesday 28 September 2022, 9:30 am - 5:00 pm

Academy of Film, Theatre & Television, Surry Hills

Come along to our introductory workshop and learn what a career in the film industry would be like.

This workshop is a great opportunity to visit our campus and experience the way we teach our students as we showcase acting, film and theatre production in one-day workshops. This is a hands-on day where students will have a chance to interact, use state of the art equipment and learn new techniques.

Using AFTT's industry-standard film gear, students will be taught the basics of film making and post-production workflow. An industry professional tutor will guide them through the process, setting a strong foundation on which they can easily build upon.

Find out more: <https://www.aftt.edu.au/events/high-school-workshops/film-high-school-workshop>

AFTT | Theatre High School Workshop

Thursday 29 September 2022, 9:30 am - 5:00 pm

Academy of Film, Theatre & Television, Surry Hills

Come along to our introductory workshop and learn what a career in the theatre production industry would be like.

This is a fantastic opportunity to participate in a one day work shop at AFTT. Gain hands-on experience in every facet of Theatre Production, from Stage Management to Lighting & Sound design and operation. Participants will be guided by our team of professional industry specialists through a step by step process in how to produce a Theatrical Performance, culminating in the hands-on running of the show.

Find out more: <https://www.aftt.edu.au/events/high-school-workshops/theatre-production-high-school-workshop>

Veteran Mentors Junior Leader Program

Saturday 1 October 2022, 8:00 am - Sunday 9 October 2022, 5:00 pm

Kangaroo Valley

The Junior Leader Program is designed to support children struggling with self-esteem, lack of respect, poor behaviours and technology addiction. With key lessons in values and work ethic, our programs are also great for all kids looking to challenge themselves – all while accomplishing something they might have never thought possible.

With the skills taught on our 9-day program, your child will learn how important it is to respect loved ones, have the courage to follow their dreams, no matter how big and demonstrate the initiative required to fix problems before they become a disaster. They'll also use teamwork to overcome obstacles and understand that without integrity, none of these things are possible. Your child will learn to become a leader and will use these skills at home, in the workforce and in life.

Find out more: <https://www.veteranmentors.com.au/programs/>

Scholarships

Avondale Vice Chancellor/President's Scholarship

Value: \$8,000 AUD

Open/Closing Dates: July 1, 2022 – October 1, 2022

The Vice Chancellor/President's Scholarship is one of Avondale's most prestigious scholarships. It is awarded to students from selected secondary schools throughout Australia and New Zealand who show transformational qualities throughout their schooling years and significantly contribute to their school, community, family and/or church. [Find out more](#)

University of Newcastle Academic High Performers Scholarship – Regional High School Dux

Value: Up to \$50,000 AUD

Open/Closing Dates: August 1, 2022 – February 6, 2023

The University of Newcastle Academic High Performers Scholarship Program recognises the exceptional achievements and outstanding dedication of the high achieving applicants, across a range of cohorts, who are commencing their first undergraduate degree with University of Newcastle.

[Find out more](#)

Macquarie Regional and Remote Support Scholarship

Value: \$8,000 AUD per year

Open/Closing Dates: April 1, 2022 – February 3, 2023

The Macquarie University Accommodation Scholarship assists rural and remote students from disadvantaged backgrounds, including demonstrated financial hardship, with the costs associated with higher education.

[Find out more](#)

Competitions

First Pitch Competition

First Pitch calls on budding young entrepreneurs aged up to 18 to enter their best business pitch for the chance to win great prizes.

You can submit a 3-minute pitch on a business innovation or idea that can make a difference in your community and Australia wide. Your pitch will be judged by a local panel of entrepreneurs and business professionals, and the state winners get to participate in the national championship.

Entries are open until Sunday 9 October at 11.59pm.

Find out more and enter here: <https://www.firstpitch.com.au/>

KSCPP Essay Contest

To promote understanding and appreciation of Korean history and culture, KSCPP is hosting its 2nd Essay Contest in Australia.

The contest is open to students in Years 5-12. Entrants are required to read *King Sejong the Great: The Everlasting Light of Korea* and answer one of the three following questions:

1. What lessons can we learn from King Sejong's leadership for our own lives and actions in society?
2. What is the most important achievement of Sejong's reign, and why do you say this?
3. What impressed you the most about Sejong's efforts to serve his people, and why?

There is a top prize of \$500 up for grabs.

To enter, email entries to kscppcontestau@gmail.com with the subject heading "2022 Essay Contest".

Entries close 6 November.

Find out more: <https://www.kscpp.net/default/05/02.php?top=5&sub=1>

Sony World Photography Awards Youth Competition

Entries to the Sony World Photography Awards Youth Competition are open.

For this year's Youth competition we're asking you to show us *Your Everyday*. What does your day-to-day look like? What people surround you? What scenes do you see – bustling streets or idyllic landscapes? Whatever the genre, technique or subject matter, we want to embrace your unique view of the world. Enter up to three images for free now!

The competition is open until 6 January 2023.

Find out more and enter here: <https://www.worldphoto.org/sony-world-photography-awards/youth>

SBS Emerging Writers' Competition

SBS is looking to unearth a new crop of talented Australian writers, with the return of the SBS Emerging Writers' Competition for 2022.

An initiative from SBS Voices, the competition aims to uncover bold new voices that reflect the diversity of contemporary Australia by inviting aspiring writers to share their stories and have their voices heard.

Open for entries from 16 August – 13 September 2022, the theme of this year's competition is 'Emergence'. Entrants are invited to interpret this theme as they choose, whether it's a story of emerging fully into their true selves, or an event arising in the narrative of their life. All entries must be pieces of non-fiction memoir.

Find out more and enter here:

<https://www.sbs.com.au/topics/voices/culture/article/2022/08/17/entries-sbs-emerging-writers-competition-2022-now-open>

Work Experience

EA Software Engineering Virtual Experience Program

In this Virtual Experience Program, you'll experience what life as a Software Engineer at EA would be like. We want you to feel empowered from the beginning with key insights into what lies ahead in your career at EA. You'll utilize skills like critical thinking and problem solving while working with languages like Python and C++ to re-create and implement a new game along with so much more.

[Learn more](#)

Work Experience with Lake Macquarie City Council

We offer high school, TAFE and university students the opportunity to undertake work experience placements at Council.

These placements are a great opportunity to learn from our staff and gain new skills and on-the-job experience.

[Learn more](#)

Careers & Jobs

7 movies that make ordinary careers look cool

Looking for a bit of career inspiration (while being entertained as well)? We've found 7 movies about people with ordinary careers doing extraordinary things.

So settle in, grab some popcorn, and think about adding some of these to your watch list:

Hidden Figures

Think maths is boring? Think again. *Hidden Figures* tells the true story of three women who were the brains behind NASA's space program in its early days. There are some truly amazing things you can accomplish with STEM, no matter who you are or where you come from.

Erin Brockovich

This is a name you might have heard before, but maybe you don't know exactly who she is. The film *Erin Brockovich* is also based on a true story, and follows the title character of the same name as she uncovers a huge scandal with a multi-billion dollar company. The best part is, she isn't even a lawyer – just a legal clerk – but still manages to find justice for her community.

Spotlight

Another film based on real life events, *Spotlight* follows a team of journalists as they slowly uncover a shocking scandal involving the church. Although it deals with some very heavy subject matter, it's also a good example of the power of the press, and how one small action can make ripples worldwide.

Unstoppable

If fast-paced action is more your style, check out *Unstoppable*. This movie is about an out-of-control train heading right for disaster, and the ordinary transport workers frantically trying to stop it.

The Big Short

Finance, investing, stocks...all boring right? Well, when there are billions of dollars on the line, you might think again. This film follows three separate stories of some clever investors working out that the economy is on the brink of collapse.

The Terminal

When a foreigner is stranded at a major airport, he manages to find his way thanks to some regular workers (an air hostess, a janitor, and a baggage handler). No matter what your job is, there are always ways you can help people in need.

The King's Speech

Imagine you're a speech therapist, and you get a call for a new client. Then imagine that caller turns out to be the Queen of England, and your new client is none other than the King himself. *The King's Speech* follows the true story of a speech therapist that helps King George VI with a speech impediment.

There's actually a theme with all these movies – they're all based on things that happened in real life. So amazing things don't just happen in far-fetched stories, they happen in our day-to-day lives too. Hopefully you're a little more inspired to think about where your career could take you.

Further Learning

Rise Program

Rise is a program that finds brilliant people who need opportunity and supports them for life as they work to serve others.

The program starts at ages 15–17 and offers access to benefits that last a lifetime including scholarships, mentorship, access to career development opportunities, funding, and more as Global Winners work toward solving humanity's most pressing problems.

Everyone who applies joins a global community of leaders and gains access to free online courses and opportunities from our partners around the world.

Applications to the program are free, and there is no cost to Rise Global Winners or their families to participate in the Rise program.

The next Rise application period starts in October 2022.

Find out more: <https://www.risefortheworld.org/>

Applying to Uni – The Basics

University applications are now open in all states and territories of Australia – and if you're in Year 12 and thinking of applying for 2023, we're here to help!

In this blog we'll go over some of the basics you need to know about applying to university, plus list some key dates.

First, take a look at this handy timeline to get an overview of the university application process.

How do I apply?

If you're currently in Year 12, you'll most likely need to apply through a Tertiary Admissions Centre (TAC). The benefit of TACs is that you submit just one application for multiple universities and courses, saving you time and effort.

Here's a link to the TAC for each state and territory:

- NSW & ACT – [UAC](#)
- VIC – [VTAC](#)
- QLD – [QTAC](#)
- SA & NT – [SATAC](#)
- WA – [TISC](#)

What about Tasmania? Well, seeing as the [University of Tasmania](#) is the only uni in Tassie, they take applications directly.

Which TAC do I apply to?

Simple – apply to the TAC that's in the same state or territory as the university you want to go to.

So, if you're thinking of heading to UNSW in Sydney – even if you live in Melbourne, Alice Springs, or Broome – you'll need to apply through UAC.

When can I apply?

Now! UAC and TISC both started taking applications in early April this year, while the rest of the TACs opened applications in early August.

For UTAS, you can apply through their [School's Recommendation Program](#) for early entry until October 7. Regular course applications are also open now (check individual course pages for closing dates) and you can apply right up until courses start in 2023 – but be aware that courses with limited numbers will close earlier, around 30 September.

You don't need to have your ATAR or results to apply – your TAC will automatically receive this information once it's released in December.

How do I apply?

Each TAC has its own set of instructions for applying. For more detailed information, take a look at their website, or check out our [Apply to Uni Guide](#).

When do applications close?

TACs have several application and offer rounds throughout the year – this means that if you apply by a certain date, you'll receive an offer by a certain date. Even though applications are usually open until late January/early February 2023, it's wise to apply for your course ASAP, as some have limited places and you won't want to miss out.

The following table has both the main offer round application closing dates for Year 12 students (which is usually the first round after ATARs have been released), as well as the final dates to apply for courses in 2023:

TAC	Main Offer Round Application Closing Date	Final Closing Date for 2023 Courses
UAC	Midnight on 10 November 2022	Midnight on 3 February 2023
VTAC	5pm on 2 December 2022	5pm on 17 January 2023
QTAC	9 December 2022	9 February 2023
SATAC	1 December 2022	N/A*
TISC	11:59pm on 19 December 2022	11:59pm on 15 January 2023
UTAS	N/A	Until courses start in 2023

*You can still apply for courses at any time through SATAC after 1 December but are not guaranteed equal consideration for selection.

What if I miss the Main Offer Round application deadline?

Don't sweat – you can still apply for courses at *any time* between now and the final closing date for 2023. There are a couple of cons to this: you might have to pay a higher application fee, and you might miss out on a course if all places are offered in the first round.

Help! I have applied but changed my mind about the course I want to do

No worries – all the TACs have a system in place known as *change of preference*. This means you're free to go back into your application and change the order of the courses on your application, or even add new courses.

Note that there is generally a cut-off date for changing your preferences based on when you'd like to receive an offer:

TAC	Main Offer Round CoP Closing Date	Final CoP Closing Date for 2023 Courses
UAC	16 December 2022	23 February 2023
VTAC	4pm on 14 December 2022	4pm on 15 February 2023
QTAC	11:59 pm on 4 January 2023	ASAP*
SATAC	4 January 2023	N/A**
TISC	11:59pm on 19 December 2022	11:59pm on 15 January 2023
UTAS	N/A***	Until courses start in 2023

*You can change your preferences at any time up until the offer deadline, but it's advised that you do so ASAP. With QTAC, you can change your preferences as many times as you like, but after the first three times you'll have to pay a fee.

**Change of preferences for *all* Semester 1 courses close on 4 January 2023, regardless of offer round.

***You can change your preferences with UTAS at any time up until you receive an offer. Contact UTAS directly to find out more.

When can I expect to receive an offer?

As we said above, offers are generally rolled out on an ongoing basis depending on when you applied.

Check the key dates section on your TAC's website if you want to see specific offer round dates.

Based on the above application dates, here's when you'll most likely hear back:

TAC	Main Offers Released	Final Offers for 2023 Courses
UAC	7:30am on 22 December 2022	7:30am on 16 February 2023
VTAC	21 December 2022	20 February 2023
QTAC	12 January 2023	16 February 2023
SATAC	By 5pm on 12 January 2023	9 March 2023
TISC	23 December 2022	20 January 2023
UTAS	2 weeks from date of application	Until courses start in 2023

Yay, I got an offer – but what's next?

Congratulations! If you've received an offer (and you're happy with it), the next step is to accept the offer.

This is an important step – if you fail to respond to the offer, it will lapse and you'll need to wait for the next offer round.

Here are the dates you need to accept your offer by:

TAC	Main Offer Acceptance Deadline	Final Offer Acceptance Deadline for 2023 Courses
UAC	N/A*	N/A*
VTAC	N/A*	N/A*
QTAC	16 January 2023	20 February 2023
SATAC	20 January 2023	N/A*
TISC	N/A*	N/A*
UTAS	ASAP**	Until courses start in 2023

*You will receive an offer email directly from the institution detailing the date you'll need to accept your offer by, and further instructions.

**When UTAS contacts you with an offer, they will walk you through what happens next.

I got an offer...but not for the course I wanted. Now what?

You will have noticed during your application that you can list several course preferences. In some cases, you may not receive an offer for your first preference, but receive one for your second, and so on.

If you're really insistent on getting an offer for your dream course, you can simply let the offer you've received lapse and wait for the next offer round to see if you receive an offer the next time around. But this can be risky, as there's no guarantee you'll receive *any* offers next time, even if you received one in the last round.

What we recommend is that you **conditionally accept** or '**bank**' your offer. This means you can wait for the next offer round, and if you still don't get an offer for the course you really want, you can then go back and accept the first offer you received.

See your TAC's website for more information on offers.

Always remember to let the uni know before the deadline if you **don't** want to accept the offer, or you could end up being enrolled in the course and have to pay some or all of the fees.

What do I do if I don't get any offers?

If you don't receive an offer for any of your preferences in one round, you can simply wait for the next offer round and see if you get an offer next time. You might like to re-order your preferences or add new courses to your application to boost your chances of receiving an offer.

At this point, we recommend you start looking into [Alternative Pathway](#) options, just in case you don't receive any offers by the final offer round.

Where can I find out more?

If you want more information on applying to university, check out the TAC websites, or contact them directly – they're happy to answer any questions you might have.

Or you can get a copy of our [Apply to Uni Guide](#), packed with tons of info on the application process in each state and territory.

Resources

Youth Voice in Parliament 2022

Youth Voice in Parliament week (21-24 November) will champion the voices of young Australians by giving them a voice in Parliament and online. Politicians across the country have committed to reading a speech written by a young person aged 21 or under in their state, territory or electorate.

This is an opportunity for you to raise the issues that matter most to you, in your words.

So, if you're 21 or under, we're asking for your 90-second speech submission addressing this question:

What should Australia's new parliament accomplish?

Speech submissions are open until 19 October.

Submit your speeches here: <https://raiseourvoiceaustralia.com/youthvoice>

Job Spotlight

[How to become a Barista](#)

Baristas prepare and serve coffee and coffee-based drinks, both hot and cold, to customers. They can work in a variety of environments, including cafés, coffee shops, restaurants, food trucks, hotels, bars, and even pop-up locations.

If you're knowledgeable and passionate about all things coffee and want a job that's fast-paced and varied, this could be the perfect role for you.

About you:

- Fantastic communicator
- Personable and approachable
- Hard working and dedicated
- Good customer service skills
- Flexible and adaptable
- Willing to work on your feet
- Multitasking pro
- Clean and tidy

The job:

- Understanding coffee making techniques
- Operating coffee machines and equipment
- Selecting and grinding beans
- Preparing a variety of coffees and drinks
- Serving drinks to customers
- Keeping equipment and work areas clean
- Collecting payment and using cash registers
- Selling and preparing snacks and other foods

Lifestyle Impact: Low

- Part Time opportunities: Very high – a whopping 69% of Baristas work part-time (source: labourmarketinsights.gov.au).
- Average hours for full-time workers: 42 hours a week, which is average (source: labourmarketinsights.gov.au).
- Baristas' salary (average) \$55,000* per year (source: seek.com.au). *Salaries vary depending on your skills and experience.
- Future career growth: Moderate (source: labourmarketinsights.gov.au).
- You will be doing most of your indoors, in cafés, restaurants, and other dining establishments.
- Hospitality workers are generally expected to work on weekends and holidays, and you might also need to work early mornings or even late at night.

Baristas are most in demand in these locations:

This is a large occupation, with around 37,200 people working as Baristas in Australia in 2021 (source: labourmarketinsights.gov.au). There is a fairly even spread of jobs between metropolitan and regional areas, with highest demand in capital cities. Most Baristas work in the Accommodation and Food Services industry.

How to become a Barista

Formal qualifications aren't necessary to work as a Barista, but there are short courses you can take to boost your skills.

Step 1 – Complete Year 10 with a focus on English and Maths.

Step 2 – Complete a short course to learn coffee-making basics, or find an employer who will give you on-the-job training.

Step 3 – If you need or want to serve food, you might need to undertake a [food handling safety course](#).

Step 4 – Consider moving into supervisory or management roles.

Step 5 – With lots of experience and knowledge, you might even like to start your own business.

Find out more here –

<https://australianspecialtycoffee.com.au/>

<https://www.rca.asn.au/>

Similar Careers to Barista

Bartender

Chef

Waiter

Concierge

Event Planner

Usher

Retail Assistant

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

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

What do Baristas do?

Camera Operators are the people behind the equipment that capture both moving and still pictures for movies, television, live events, and more.

Which industries employ Baristas?

Baristas are mostly employed in the Accommodation and Food Services industry.

What options are there for career progression?

You will start out making basic drinks, before expanding your skills to become a coffee expert. You could supervise and train other junior Baristas, become the manager of a café or restaurant, or even start your own business.

Do I need to go to university to become a Barista?

No, there are no formal qualifications necessary to become a Barista. But there are short courses you can take to boost your skills.

Where do Baristas work?

Baristas work anywhere coffee is served – mainly in cafés, coffee houses, and restaurants, but even places such as bars, hotels, travelling in a truck or van, or pop-up locations at events and festivals.

What are 3 things I can do right now to help me become a Barista?

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

1. Try to find casual work in a café where you can start learning how to make coffee, or take a short course to start building important skills. Make coffee for your friends and family and see what they think.
2. If you can't find a job, find work experience at a café or restaurant instead. This will help you get an insight into the industry, and can help you start building important contacts for the future.
3. Talk to a Barista to see what a day in their life is like. If you don't know anyone, see if you can watch videos or documentaries about a career as a Barista.

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