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Electoral Worker

COORDINATOR



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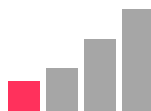
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Play a vital role in the democratic process

Electoral workers are responsible for organising and supervising local, state, and federal elections. They might help people vote on the day, count ballots, answer phones, and do all sorts of behind-the-scenes work to make sure election day runs smoothly.

If you have an interest in politics, are hands-on and friendly, and are looking for work to do between your day-to-day job, you might like to consider becoming an electoral worker.

Growth



Stable

Salary



Average

Field Size



Tiny

Hours



Average

Interest Area



Society

Cluster



Coordinator



About you

Excellent communicator
Friendly & inviting
Willing to work on your feet
Patient & calm
Can work in teams & alone
Good with technology
Strong attention to detail
Unbiased & impartial

Common tasks

- Set up voting centres
- Check voter eligibility & registration
- Answer questions voters might have
- Assist people with special needs
- Store, sort & transport ballots
- Ensure ballot secrecy & security
- Count ballots at the end of the day
- Maintain records & documents

About the role

This work is highly seasonal and is usually only available around election time, so it probably won't be your full-time job – you'll need to keep an eye out to see when upcoming jobs are available.

Expect to work long hours on election day as well as the days and weeks leading up to it. Most of your work will need to be done in-person.

Your pay will also vary greatly depending on how many hours you work and your specific responsibilities.

Electoral workers are typically most common in these industries:

- Public Administration & Safety



Things you can do now

- 1 Focus on English and Maths at high school
- 2 Find work experience or volunteer in a relevant industry
- 3 Build skills through short courses and microcredentials
- 4 Research training and requirements
- 5 Talk to an electoral worker to see what a day in their life is like

Future study ideas

You don't need any specific qualifications to be an electoral worker. You will receive training close to or on election day on how to perform specific duties and tasks.

In most cases you will need to be of voting age, but there might be some roles available for younger people too.



What next?

If you're interested in politics or society, there are lots of other job areas you might like to consider as well, such as:

- Government
- Public Service
- Intelligence
- Law
- Police
- Journalism
- Policy & Planning
- Social Services

Get experience volunteering in your community – this will help you build up valuable skills and look great on your resume.

Start learning about politics and government. If you're interested in a career in politics, electoral work is a great way to get started.

“ —
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Our lives begin to
end the day we
become silent about
things that matter.
| — ”

DR MARTIN LUTHER KING JR
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