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## Open Days & Info Sessions

### [Internationally Educated | Study in the US – Virtual Information Session](#)

Thursday 16 September 2021, 5:00 pm

Online

Internationally Educated is excited to host a live, virtual information session providing students and families from years nine to eleven (9-11) the opportunity to learn more about Studying in the US.

This general presentation draws on our experience having worked in US university admissions and will provide insight to the US university application process and the higher education system in the US. A brief Q&A session will follow the presentation.

Find out more: <https://www.internationallyeducated.com.au/post/study-in-the-us-virtual-information-session-1>

### **GVI Virtual Open Day**

Sunday 19 September 2021, 12:00 am - 2:00 am

Online

Back at school? Have academics and career on your mind? Join us for our September Virtual Open Day to learn more about our career and research internships. Find out what's included in these programs, including a career guarantee, career coaching and virtual project for a real organisation or an academic research project. If you want a green career but aren't sure if it's a possibility for you, this is the Open Day to attend. We'll be talking about how we can help you find your place in a greener economy.

Find out more: <https://www.gviaustralia.com.au/gvi-open-day/>

### **ADF | ADFA Virtual Information Session**

Thursday 23 September 2021, 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Online

Would you like the opportunity to undertake military training while earning a degree? All without debt – in fact, we'll pay you!

Head to the upcoming info session to speak with current serving military personnel and learn more about the Australian Defence Force Academy.

Find out more: <https://www.defencejobs.gov.au/events/events-detail/6tj0f4v>

### **ATAR Notes | Free HSC Revision & Head Start Lectures Online**

Monday 27 September 2021, 9:30 am - Friday 1 October 2021, 3:30 pm

Online

Our legendary revision/head start lectures, delivered by elite past students, can give you a huge advantage going into Term 4.

Sessions in this series cover a huge range of subjects.

Why register?

- Tune in to heaps of lectures delivered by recent elite year 12 graduates
- Ask questions live and get immediate answers
- Come back and rewatch any time, download slides for your own study and more

Find out more: <https://atarnoteslectures.com/nsw/#lectures>

### **UTS | Boost Your Application Webinar**

Monday 27 September 2021, 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Online

There are a range of schemes that can help boost your application into UTS. Hear from our current ambassadors and learn about the admission schemes, pathways and scholarships you might be eligible for.

Find out more: <https://atarnoteslectures.com/nsw/september-2021/lectures/schedule/boost-your-application>

### **EY: Ready to Launch**

Tuesday 5 October 2021, 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Australia

This event will give attendees an opportunity to start shaping their future careers – the focus will be on developing a global mindset and how they can start building future skills now.

#### **What to expect:**

- Welcome and Icebreaker
- EY and the Future of Work – overview of EY and introduction to the Future of Work
- Mindset over skillset – demonstrating the importance of mindset over skillset, how to develop a global mindset, and the importance of diversity within teams.
- Career Conversations – EY professionals will talk about their journey from high school to uni and then to EY. They will provide an overview of the work they do. Students will also have the opportunity to ask questions.
- Getting future ready – Overview of future EY programs on offer to students and how/when to apply for these.

Find out more: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/ey-ready-to-launch-tickets-169213773953>

### **CQUni | Online Chat Session**

Wednesday 6 October 2021, 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Australia

Do you have questions about starting a TAFE or university qualification in 2021 or thinking about applying for Term 1, 2022? We're going live on 6 October from 3pm AEST for our Online Chat Session to help answer all your questions.

All you need to do is head over to our CQUniversity Facebook page and send us a message during the session and you'll chat to one of our team members in real-time.

Our staff will be on hand ready to answer your questions regarding your course of interest, student support services, or anything else to do with studying with us.

Find out more: <https://www.cqu.edu.au/events/event-items/information-session/online-chat-session-october>

### **WEP | Student Exchange Info Session**

Tuesday 19 October 2021, 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\\_AgtRpIMBQSy9N\\_cY9RG60g](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_AgtRpIMBQSy9N_cY9RG60g)

### **NAS | Open Day 2021**

Saturday 13 November 2021, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

National Art School, Darlinghurst

The National Art School is Australia's leading fine art school, with an unrivalled studio-based teaching model that has delivered a rich tradition of artistic practice and generations of world-renowned alumni for the past 100 years. Leading into the 21st Century, NAS provides a progressive and holistic art education, and invites the public to join us on Open Day to share our creative community.

There will still be plenty of opportunity to see what life is like for students at NAS, with demonstrations in the ceramics, printing, sculpture and photomedia studios, the chance to drop in on painting classes, and to enjoy shows in our exhibition spaces.

This year's Open Day will run with public health and safety protocols in place. In line with government guidelines, all visitors will register on entry, masks are compulsory for all spaces, indoors and outdoors, and social distancing and hygiene measures will be maintained in studios and across campus.

Find out more: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/nas-open-day-2021-tickets-163943221589>

### **AIT | Virtual Open Day**

Saturday 27 November 2021, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Online

Take the first step towards a creative career!

Join us for our next Open Day to find out how you can turn your ideas into a creative career you'll love in Film, Animation, 3D Design, Games or Mobile App Development.

Find out more: <https://info.ait.edu.au/open-day-2021>

### **WSU | Unlocking Careers In Sport**

Thursday 2 December 2021, 9:30 am - 1:30 pm

Online

This virtual event is for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander high school students to explore the wide variety of careers available in the sports industry.

Find out about the wide range of health and sport psychology professionals that keep the athletes match fit, the law and business teams that keep everything running, and the sport

analytics and science specialists that work with the athletes and sporting organisations behind the scenes.

Find out more: <https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/student-life/events/unlocking-careers-in-sport>

## Workshops and Courses

### **Swinburne Demo Night 2021**

Thursday 30 September 2021, 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Online

Be inspired by Swinburne's newest and most outstanding startups.

After 12 weeks of hustling and building at the Swinburne Accelerator Program, five innovative startups are ready to present their ventures to the world.

Join us for an evening of innovation, startup stories and entrepreneurial tips and tricks. Mingle with our founders and ask your burning questions. Who knows – you might even find the next venture to get involved in.

Find out more: <https://www.swinburne.edu.au/events/2021/08/swinburne-demo-night-2021/>

### **NOW ONLINE – BiG Day In Newcastle 2021**

Wednesday 13 October 2021, 9:00 am - 2:30 pm

Online

The BiG Day In events are aimed at senior secondary school and university students interested in careers in ICT and technology. BiG Day In helps students obtain more information about ICT and technology careers, and hopefully helps them make a better informed decision about their future. BiG Day In events are held on University campuses around Australia (where possible) to give students an insight into what 'university life' might look like.

Find out more: <https://www.thebigdayin.com.au/newcastle2021>

### **Virtual Camp Parliament for Girls Australia**

Saturday 30 October 2021, 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Online

Virtual Camp Parliament for Girls Australia is an interactive online class that introduces girls ages 12 to 17 to Australia's parliamentary system of government.

Virtual Camp Parliament for Girls begins with a lesson the structure and history of the Australian's government. The lesson goes on to review the eligibility requirements to stand for office and a review of political parties with students for their own parties. Students will learn about the structure of elections and the women that made history serving in government. Each

student will stand for office, create a campaign platform, vote in a virtual election, and form a government to pass a bill. Each student will serve as a MP.

Find out more: <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/girlsinpoliticsinitiative/555411/>

## Scholarships

### PEF National Secondary Scholarship

Value: \$1,500 AUD per year

Open/Closing Dates: August 2, 2021 – October 19, 2021

The Public Education Foundation's National Secondary Scholarships support two Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander students, two refugee students and two students currently experiencing financial hardship that may prevent them from continuing their senior years of education in a public school.

[Find out more](#)

### Charles Sturt Excellence Scholarship

Value: \$5,000 AUD per year

Open/Closing Dates: August 2, 2021 – February 25, 2022

Based on a combination of academic merit with an ATAR score of 95 or above (inclusive of any Regional location adjustment) and evidence of leadership and community involvement.

[Find out more](#)

## Competitions

### Storyfest National Novella Writing Competition

The Storyfest National Novella Writing Competition is open to all Australian high school students. It is a wonderful opportunity for serious student writers, encouraging them in their literary growth – and there are also some fantastic prizes on offer.

All state winners will be awarded:

- Cash prizes
- Flights and accommodation to the Gold Coast
- Tickets to attend Somerset Storyfest (15-17 March 2022)
- Exclusive access to meet with Australia's elite authors and publishers

**The competition is open until Friday 3 December.**

Find out more and enter here: <https://www.storyfest.com.au/novella-writing-competition>

### Youth KSP Poetry Award

The KSP Writers' Centre is proud to present this annual poetry competition for Australian writers, which is free for youth to enter thanks to sponsorship from the Shire of Mundaring. Entries must be original and unpublished. All poetry styles and themes are acceptable.

**Entries close Thursday 30 September.**

Find out more and enter here: <https://www.kspwriterscentre.com/poetry-competition>

### Enter the 2022 Fleurieu Film Festival

Entries for the 2022 Fleurieu Film Festival are now open.

Films must follow the theme of 'dreams'. This can be interpreted widely, from films about sleep, to the ancestral spirits that formed the land we share, to the lofty goals we aspire to in our personal lives. As long as the viewers can decipher the theme of Dreams in your film, it will be deemed eligible.

Films must be 8 minutes or under (not including credits), and are open to anyone in Australia.

**Entries close 23 November 2021.**

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

### My RØDE Reel 2021

Do you have an incredible story to tell? We want to see it told. Submit your short film to My RØDE Reel for a chance to win \$250,000 in cash and launch your filmmaking career.

To enter, make a short film up to 3 minutes in length. It can be on any topic you like. Use the prize categories to inspire the direction of your film. Make a behind-the-scenes film, up to 3 minutes in length, that shows us how you made your short film and features the RØDE product(s) that you used in your production.

**Entries close Wednesday 20 October.**

Find out more and enter here: <https://myrodereel.com/>

### School Entrepreneur of the Year

School Entrepreneur of the Year is a nation-wide business building competition, hosted by Generation Entrepreneur and Finder. It's specifically designed for high school students across Australia.

The tournament consists of three rounds that will take place virtually and in-person throughout the year. Ultimately one team will be crowned the School Entrepreneur of the Year in 2021.

You'll get the opportunity to work in your own teams to create a business from scratch with the guidance of industry mentors from Finder. Events are being held over term 3 and 4, including the opportunity for the 10 top teams to attend a 2-day immersive camp to problem solve and pitch your start up ideas.

If you are a high school student or a teacher who is interested in the program, check out the landing page for more information on how to register

<https://schoolentrepreneursoftheyear.carrd.co/>

**Applications close on 1 October**, so you'll need to get yourself or your teams organised and submit your applications soon.

## Work Experience

### CSIRO Virtual Work Experience

In 2021, the Virtual Work Experience Program (VWEP) will support students to undertake work experience despite COVID-19 interruptions and provide opportunities for students who may face geographic or other barriers to participating in traditional work experience.

VWEP allows students the opportunity to experience contemporary ways of working, from homes, and with people across geographic boundaries, just as CSIRO scientists do every day.

The Virtual Work Experience opportunities that are currently available are:

#### **Utilising Graphic Design to Communicate Genomics**

29 November – 3 December, 9am – 3pm

**Applications close Sunday 19 September**

[Learn more](#)

## Careers & Jobs

### Thinking of a career in Cyber Security?

If you're thinking of a future career in Cyber Security, you'll be glad to hear that:

#### **Cyber Security is a growing industry**

- According to Job Outlook future growth in this industry is **very strong**, a Compound Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) of 9.7% from 2021 to 2026 (Source: Researchandmarkets.com) globally
- There were 50,500 Database & Systems Administrators & ICT Security in 2020 in Australia and this expected to reach 60,500 by 2025
- Australia is currently short of 2300 workers in cyber security, with an **expected demand of at least 17,600 additional professionals** in the sector by 2026. (Source: institutedata.com)
- The Worldwide Cybersecurity Industry is Expected to Reach \$345.4 Billion by 2026 (Source: Researchandmarkets.com)

- In 2020 Australian spent approximately \$5.6 billion on cyber security, expected to increase to \$7.6 billion by 2024. (Source: AusterCyber.com)
- Eight in ten Australians access the internet daily and 79% use social media all putting valuable information online which can be stolen or exploited posing risks to our privacy, safety, economy and potentially our national security. (Sources: sensis.com.au and industry.gov.au)

## Work Life Balance

Role in this industry can be [rewarding](#) with:

- High salaries and lots of opportunities
- Being a high-demand job
- High career progression
- The opportunity to be self-employed
- Chance to work remotely anywhere in the world
- You're always learning

The downsides to consider could include:

- High-stress and demanding hours
- Companies lack knowledge and/or resources
- Some repetitive or boring tasks
- Less room for mistakes
- Difficulty keeping up with fast-paced trends and emerging new information

## How to get into Cyber Security

There are lots of pathways into a career in Cyber Security – training and qualification are often required.

Lots of universities offer [undergraduate degrees](#), [postgraduate degrees](#) and all kinds of other qualifications in Cyber Security. Have a look at all of your [VET](#) options and [other courses](#) that are available, decide which could be the right path for you.

Build on your technical aptitude (yes you'll definitely need to be tech savvy for roles in this industry) [skills](#), including knowledge of security across various platforms. A foundation knowledge in computer forensics could be beneficial too, and you'll need to learn some "ethical hacking" skills so that you can understand how a system could be breached, and in turn, create effective solutions for thwarting these attacks.

## Alternatives to Work Experience

Finding work experience in this industry could be tricky for a number of reasons from the fact that workers are busy, their work is sensitive, and they often work remotely. So what can you do instead?

Our first piece of advice would be to worry a little bit less. It's incredibly difficult to source qualified devs and cyber security experts because they are so in demand – in fact some companies are offering bonuses to uni grads to sign on straight away.

The next piece of advice would be to do two things:

1. Start a blog or channel on medium, and build your thought leadership in your space. If you don't already have a LinkedIn profile then set one up, and connect with your teachers and people in your industry who you may want to work with. Write about the things that matter to your industry, and don't worry about getting everything 'perfect', just get yourself out there. Networks will help you get a job.
2. Start working on your own tech. Build sites, even if they're just for your friends' businesses, and play around with what you can create. Set yourself projects and give yourself work experience. You may find that other professionals in your industry are happier to help you out if they know you're working on a 'project', and sometimes one or two conversations with the right people can be more powerful than a week of work experience.

Our last tip would be to make sure you're working on your core skills, as well as your technical skills. An understanding of business, design, and people will put you ahead of lots of the competition and make you an asset to any organisation.

You could focus on:

- Communication
- Adaptability
- Interpersonal skills
- Problem solving
- Critical thinking
- Attention to detail
- Self-motivation

Check out Innovation Labs near you, e.g. [WSU](#) – get in touch with them and push to meet the startups working there, and you never know where things may lead.

### **Consider a Career in the Outdoors**

Do you want a career full of play, adventure, or exploration? There are tons of different careers in the Outdoors industry. From education to retail, science to fitness, the opportunities are nearly endless.

[Outdoors NSW & ACT](#) has created a video showcasing some of the possibilities of a career in the outdoors.

Take a look here: <https://youtu.be/oQdKlf5v-zA>

## Where the jobs are

There are lots of industries you can work in, but not all of them are the same size.

The largest industry in Australia is Health Care and Social Assistance, which is expected to employ over 2 million people by November 2025. In contrast, the smallest industry (electricity, gas, water, and waste) will employ around 164,000 people at the end of 2025.

The size of an industry does not correlate directly with your chances of getting a job, so if you've got your heart set on one of the smaller industries completely ignore this article. If, however, you're more concerned about increasing your chances of finding a job, then you may want to know where the jobs are most likely to be.

We know some jobs are growing faster than others *within* each industry – for example, the Accommodation and Food Services sector is growing, but most of the jobs are as waiters and store or restaurant managers, while the number of workers who sell tickets or maintain vending machines is in decline.

### **Find out about the fastest growing jobs to 2025**

#### Fastest growing jobs in Health Care

- Personal and disability carers
- Aged carers
- Nurses
- Midwives

#### Fastest growing jobs in Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services

- Business and systems analysts
- Software and app developers
- Engineers
- Architects, designers and planners
- Advertising, PR and sales

#### Fastest growing jobs in Accommodation and Food Services

- Hospitality
- Wait staff
- Hospitality managers
- Chefs
- Cleaners

#### Fastest growing jobs in Education and Training

- Teachers (VERY location dependant)

- Teacher aides

#### Fastest growing jobs in Construction and Trades

- Labourers
- Electricians
- Bricklayers
- Carpenters and joiners

#### **Your location can affect the job opportunities near you**

The number and type of jobs available vary greatly by location, [so check out the full blog here](#) to find out the top job growth predictions for where you are.

## Further Learning

### **[5 COVID Adjustment Points for Year 12 students applying to the University of Newcastle](#)**

2021 has again proven to be a challenging time for year 12 students and the University of Newcastle continues to look for ways to provide additional reassurance and support for students.

Newcastle are pleased to announce that they will be providing all school leaver students with 5 adjustment points for all programs (excluding the Joint Medical Program).

These additional adjustment points are in recognition of the extraordinary challenges year 12 students have faced since the start of last year. Newcastle would love to see these extra points providing encouragement for students to continue to strive for their best results in the HSC.

The 5 adjustment points will automatically be applied by UAC and there is no need for any additional application. Students are eligible for a maximum of 12 adjustment points.

You can read more here: <https://www.newcastle.edu.au/newsroom/featured/university-announces-more-support-for-year-12-students>

### **[Hay Inc Rural Education Program](#)**

Hay Inc invite school leavers to apply for the 2022 intake of their hands-on skills training program in sheep and beef cattle handling and general farming skills conducted in the Hay area.

The short course and practical experience provide a springboard to a career in agriculture.

The training consists of three blocks of five day duration. Accommodation and some meals are provided during the training blocks. Block 1 is in the first week of February, Block 2 is in the second week of March, and final training Block 3 is in the third week in June after the long weekend. The final training day concludes with graduation at the Hay Merino Sheep Show.

Participants in the program are presented with a Certificate of Participation for completing the training and statement of attainment which lists all the training modules completed.

Details and application form are available on their website: <https://www.hayinc.com.au>

### **Dental Assistant Traineeships**

Would you like to kickstart your career in health? If you'd like a job you can jump into straight out of school, you could consider doing a traineeship. Traineeships are a great way to earn while you learn, giving you valuable on-the-job experience before most other students have finished their degree.

A Dental Assistant Traineeship is 12-months long, and upon completion you will receive a Certificate III in Dental Assisting. You get to work closely with both dentists and clients, and learn in-depth knowledge about the dental industry.

There are a few Dental Assistant Traineeships open for applications now:

- [Central Adelaide Local Health Network](#), SA
- [Blackburn Smiles Dental](#), VIC
- [Maven Dental Group](#), QLD
- [7 to 7 Dental](#), NSW

You can always look for available positions on [Seek](#), [Indeed](#), [Talent](#), or sign up with your local job provider.

### **SCU STAR Early Offer Program – Deadline Extended**

Southern Cross University's STAR Early Offer program allows you to secure a place in a degree of choice at SCU before your Year 12 results are even released.

Given the current situation, SCU has updated their key dates. Applications will now close

**Thursday, September 30th**, and offers will be sent progressively from Tuesday, November 9th.

Secure your place at SCU here: <https://www.scu.edu.au/star-early-offer/>

### **Explore Your Options with Australian Internships**

Australian Internships (AI) offer programs domestic students, and high school leavers are very welcome to apply. AI has established a long-term quality reputation and is proud to be the preferred internship provider for most leading Australian universities. They offer internships in almost all academic disciplines for candidates from over 90 countries around the world.

An internship is a great way to trial a field or an industry before committing to a degree and a career in a specific area. It's a lot like work experience or a mentorship program, with the additional benefit of support and monitoring. You get to complete real-world entry level tasks, and interns have the opportunity to be exposed to a real-life professional setting. You will learn and develop a lot of soft skills as well as practical skills in the area of your interest.

**AI's program offers:**

- Tailored training related to your skills and academic background
- 6 – 24 weeks (full-time) non paid training positions
- Opportunities to almost all academic disciplines
- Access to over 7,000 companies Australia wide
- Start every Monday (pending lead time)

**The internships include:**

- Resume and interview preparation and guidance
- An individualised placement with an Australian company
- Allocation of an Internship Program Supervisor (IPS) to closely monitor progress and satisfaction level
- Immediate intervention by Australian Internships should you experience any difficulties
- 24-hour Emergency Support
- Full Orientation Sessions, including an introduction to Australian workplace culture
- Intern nights, providing an opportunity to meet interns from over 90 countries

See the AI website for full details on the program, including fees.

You can find out more and apply here: <http://www.internships.com.au/>

**APS HR School Leaver Program**

The Australian Public Service (APS) Human Resource (HR) School Leaver program is an opportunity for 2020 and 2021 Year 12 graduates to enter a HR career in the APS workforce in one of the participating agencies.

The School Leaver program includes:

- a 12-month ongoing role in one of the participating APS agencies
- structured on-the-job and corporate training
- a supportive team environment
- an inclusive and diverse workplace culture
- a competitive salary (APS level 1)
- potential opportunity for advancement (APS level 2)
- a Certificate IV in Human Resource Management.

Roles may be offered in Adelaide, Canberra and Penrith, with successful applicants commencing the program in February 2022.

Applications for the APS HR School Leaver program close on 1 October 2021.

Find out more and apply: <https://www.apsc.gov.au/initiatives-and-programs/aps-professional-streams/aps-hr-professional-stream/aps-hr-school-leaver-program>

## Resources

### [An overseas Gap Year with Letz Live](#)

Letz Live have been helping young Aussies get overseas on a Gap Year since 2005.

With opportunities in the UK, New Zealand and Thailand these programmes are a great way to live, work and travel overseas. You'll be connected with a group of other participants when you arrive so you can immediately make new friends to share the experience with.

### **Working as Boarding Assistant**

Tim from Canberra is currently on his Gap Year in New Zealand. He tells us what a standard day is like.

“When I'm not on duty in the boarding house, I wake up at 7:30am. I head over to the school dining hall where I'll have a cooked breakfast waiting for me. I then get a text from the timetable organiser. This tells me which classes I will be supporting for the day. Sometimes I can have every period of the day and other days I'll have a day off. When this happens I take students to appointments or help with teacher errands.

However, when I am on duty it's very different. Wake up is at 6am, I need to go downstairs and wake up the Year 9s at 6:30am. I make sure they're awake and ready to go to breakfast, then wake up the year 10s at 6:45am. This goes all the way till the year 13s at 7:30am. Then the normal relief teaching goes on where I am told what classes I need to help out with and where.”

### **Travelling during the school breaks**

One of the best parts of a Gap Year is being able to explore and travel on the weekends or school holidays.

Alice, currently on her Gap Year in the UK, has spent part of the summer on a horse-riding trip in Spain. She says...

“A big part of my decision to take a gap year in the UK was the excitement of Europe being so close for our summer holiday. Myself and a fellow gap both love that our school offers riding for the girls and ourselves in our off time we are able to go out on the horses too. This prompted us to research ways we could ride during our two month break while we were away, we then landed on a riding holiday at Los Alamos in Spain. The week-long stay was one of the best choices we had made short of taking a gap year.

During this week we got the opportunity to ride through the gorgeous national park and down for gallops along the beaches of Cape Trafalgar and El Palmar.

The entire week was paradise and felt like home away from home. I have never enjoyed every aspect of a holiday more, the food, the locals, the views and environment as well as the activities. forever grateful for the opportunity to not only go to Spain but on a riding holiday in

Spain, which would have been much more difficult if it weren't for taking a gap year as being such a short flight away only made it better."

### **Need more inspiration?**

Many UK Gap participants visited Spain, Croatia, Greece, Italy and France during the 2021 summer break, as well as exploring The UK and Ireland. While participants in New Zealand road-tripped the South Island, skiing in Queenstown, bungy-jumping, jet-boating and more. For travel inspiration visit the [Letz Live Instagram](#).

### **Why a Gap Year shouldn't be put on hold**

If the pandemic has taught us anything, it's to make the most of every opportunity. Travel may always be possible, but will you be in a position to take a Gap Year further down the line? Many applicants who had planned a Gap Year changed their plans and started uni, only to find it wasn't what they wanted to do, and the burning desire to travel the world remains strong. If you're ready to take control and plan the Gap Year you've always dreamed of, get in touch with [Letz Live](#).

### **[Spend Your Gap Year at Sea with Sea|mester](#)**

Are you looking for a unique way to spend your gap year? Consider spending it sailing on the high seas with Sea|mester.

Sea|mester offer a variety of voyages you can experience, letting you travel the world while learning and having fun at the same time. They offer voyages in Autumn and Spring, in places around the world, including the Caribbean, Indonesia, Thailand, the Mediterranean, Pacific Islands and more. You'll learn how to sail and scuba dive, as well as spend time on the land exploring famous world landmarks.

Find out more about the programs on offer with Sea|mester here:

<https://www.seamester.com/>

## **Job Spotlight**

### **[How to become a Logistics Manager](#)**

***Ensure our goods get from A to B***

#### **What do Logistics Managers do?**

Logistics Managers are responsible for making sure our goods and resources travel smoothly from the supplier to the customer. They oversee the organisation, storage, distribution and transport of goods in order to keep costs down and operations running efficiently.

If you are a problem-solving expert, have excellent time management skills, and can think quickly on your feet, this could be an ideal career for you.

**About you:**

- Excellent communicator
- Thorough planner
- Critical thinker
- Time management expert
- Organised and efficient
- Great leader
- Can work well under pressure
- Fantastic problem solver

**The job:**

- Monitoring the purchasing, storage and supply of goods and materials
- Negotiating contracts with suppliers and other stakeholders
- Keeping thorough records of stock levels
- Tracking the movement of goods and supplies after they are sent
- Developing systems to keep the flow of goods running smoothly
- Liaising with suppliers, staff and customers to ensure smooth processing of items
- Directing and managing other staff, such as warehouse workers
- Monitoring and reviewing storage and inventory systems

**Lifestyle Impact: Moderate**

- Part Time opportunities: Very low – only around 6% of Logistics Managers work part-time (source: [joboutlook.gov.au](http://joboutlook.gov.au)).
- Average hours for full-time workers: 48 hours a week, which is above average (source: [joboutlook.gov.au](http://joboutlook.gov.au)).
- Logistics Managers' salary (average) \$110,000\* per year (source: [seek.com.au](http://seek.com.au)). \*Salaries vary depending on your skills and experience.
- Future career growth: Strong (source: [joboutlook.gov.au](http://joboutlook.gov.au)).
- You will be spending most of your time indoors, such as in offices or warehouses.

**Logistics Managers are most in demand in these locations:**

This is a large occupation, with around 24,500 people working as Logistics Managers in 2020 (source: [joboutlook.gov.au](http://joboutlook.gov.au)), with strong growth expected over the next five years. Demand for Logistics Managers is highest in New South Wales and Victoria. Most Logistics Managers work in the Transport, Postal and Warehousing, and Manufacturing industries.

Your role as a Logistics Manager might vary depending on the type of goods and materials you are in charge of managing. For example, perishable goods such as food and drink require specialised storage and much stricter deadlines than things like clothing, etc.

### **How to become a Logistics Manager in Australia**

Although formal qualifications aren't a strict requirement, they can greatly boost your skills and employability, and you'll likely need extensive work experience without one.

Step 1 – If you're in Year 9 or 10, try and find work experience in the warehousing or transport industry.

Step 2 – Complete Year 12 with a strong focus on English and Maths.

Step 3 – Consider starting with a VET qualification such as a [Diploma of Logistics](#). This can give you access to entry-level logistics jobs where you can start building your experience.

Step 4 – Build on your management skills with an undergraduate degree, such as a Bachelor of Business majoring in [Logistics and Supply Chain Management](#).

Step 5 – Explore your possibilities working with all kinds of goods, including food and drink, machinery, clothing, raw materials, and more.

Find out more here –

<https://www.asci.org.au>

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

<https://womeninsupplychain.com.au>

### **Similar Careers to Logistics Manager**

[Warehouse Workers](#)

[Picker and Packer](#)

Truck Driver

Delivery Driver

[Business Development Manager](#)

Project Officer

Quality Assurance Officer

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

## **Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)**

### **What do Logistics Managers do?**

Logistics Managers help supply chains run smoothly and keep costs down by overseeing the sourcing, storage, and distribution of a wide variety of goods and materials.

### **Which industries employ Logistics Managers?**

Logistics Managers are usually employed in the Transport, Postal and Warehousing, and Manufacturing industries

### **What options are there for career progression?**

You might start out working for a relatively small company, to managing the supply and distribution of goods around the world.

### **Do I need to go to university to become a Logistics Manager?**

Not necessarily, but without a qualification you will need lots of practical, hands-on experience to work your way into management positions.

### **Where do Logistics Managers work?**

Logistics Managers are needed all across Australia, particularly in New South Wales and Victoria. They mostly work indoors, in offices and warehouses, as well as having the opportunity for travel.

### **What are 3 things I can do right now to help me become a Logistics Manager?**

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

1. Get work experience in warehousing or transport. This is a great way to get experience in the industry and find out if this might be the right job for you.
2. Volunteer in your school or community to start building essential skills, such as communication, organisation and problem solving. These skills look great on your resume for any job.
3. See if you can talk to someone who works in logistics or supply chain management to get an idea of what a day in their life is like.

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