



Career News



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Open Days & Info Sessions

Canberra Women of Science and Art Webinar

15 August 2020, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Online

Meet a diverse group of amazing Canberran women working in or inspired by science, tech, engineering, art and maths (STEAM).

These interesting people are anything but 'boring scientists' or 'wacky artists'.

They have written books; invented a robot; created new technology to tell ancient, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander stories; taught children how to investigate and draw nature; pushed for action on climate change and other environmental and world problems.

Find out more: <https://events.humanitix.com/canberra-women-of-science-and-art-saturday>

CSU | Charles Sturt Advantage Application Workshop Online

18 August 2020, 6:45 pm - 8:00 pm

Online

Join us for an online session and discover how you can make your application stand out! We'll cover:

- the Charles Sturt Advantage early offer program
- the application process
- courses included in the program
- loads of tips to prepare a strong application

There will also be a chance to have a one-on-one appointment with one of our staff members.

We can chat about what you're going to write in your application, review something you've already written, or chat about other pathways to get to Charles Sturt.

Find out more: <https://charlessturt.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJ0vceiopj4iGtSIO-7UdFZs5BLUqRMwb1PJ>

Fed Uni | Webinar: Bachelor of Biotechnology

19 August 2020, 5:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Online

Our Bachelor of Biotechnology is an interdisciplinary lab-based program where students develop analytical and evaluative skills. Hear from a current student about the strong emphasis on hands-on skill development. Biotechnology is an exciting field of science with important applications in medicine, agriculture and food production.

Find out more: https://federation.edu.au/events/details?event=EVT-001978-2K7J2O&variation=7&return_asset=290792

Fed Uni | Webinar: Bachelor of Geoscience

26 August 2020, 5:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Online

With our Bachelor of Geoscience degree, you'll learn all about the geology of our planet – the structure, physical history, composition, and dynamic systems. This course is ideal for those who wish to pursue professional careers in mineral and oil exploration, extractive industries, environmental science, or hydrogeology.

Find out more: https://federation.edu.au/events/details?event=EVT-001980-CQUR6L&variation=0&return_asset=290792

La Trobe | Oral and Dental Sciences Webinar

2 September 2020, 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Online

Interested in studying to become a Dentistry or Oral Health Therapist? Join our webinar to hear from La Trobe's course experts, as they unpack in details of placements, subjects, the differences in our Oral Health and Dental Science degrees, advantages to studying regionally and so much more.

Find out more: <https://www.latrobe.edu.au/events/all/oral-and-dental-sciences-at-la-trobe>

Monash | Information Evening Webinars

9 September 2020, 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm

15 September 2020, 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm

22 September 2020, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Online

We know that choosing a university is a big decision. Get all your questions answered at our information evening webinar.

During the informative webinar, you'll learn about what it's like to study at Monash. Find out about our range of courses, accommodation options, scholarships, student life and so much more.

Find out more: <https://www.monash.edu/information-evenings/>

Deakin | CASPer Test Webinar

16 September 2020, 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Online

Are you interested in becoming a teacher and looking to start your studies at Deakin in 2021? Students applying for teaching degrees at Deakin must successfully complete the CASPer test – an online situational judgement test that measures non-academic suitability for teaching.

Join Professor Damian Blake, Head of School and School Manager Jo Collins to learn more about preparing for CASPer. The webinar will cover:

- how CASPer works and what to expect on test day
- which teaching courses require you sit to CASPer
- helpful tips on how to prepare for the CASPer test
- upcoming CASPer dates, how to sign up and reserve a test
- why students are required to sit the test
- how is CASPer assessed? What does this mean for you?

The webinar will be interactive, so attendees will be able to ask questions to the presenters during the live event.

Find out more: <https://www.deakin.edu.au/about-deakin/events/deakin-casper-test-webinar>

[AIE | Information Evening, Online](#)

16 September 2020, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Online

Discover the courses designed to get you started in game development, 3D animation and visual effects at the AIE Information Evening.

The evening will include presentations on different areas of industry to get into as well as information about AIE full-time and part-time courses and entry requirements. Student work will be on display and our teachers will be available to speak with you one on one about our courses and how AIE can get you into a creative career.

Find out more: https://aie.edu.au/aie_event/information-evening/

[ACU | Moving Away from Home Webinar](#)

23 September 2020, 5:00 pm

Online

University life is about more than just study – it's about new friends, exciting experiences and memorable moments. Living in student accommodation is one of the best ways to get the most out of your university experience. Explore your accommodation options and hear tips from students who moved away from home to come and study at ACU.

Find out more: <https://www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/events/2020/september/moving-away-from-home-webinar>

Workshops & Courses

[RMIT | Experience Surveying Online](#)

25 August 2020, 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Online

If you are interested in a career as a land surveyor, this practical one hour online event hosted by RMIT University provides a fantastic opportunity for you to do practical surveying activities with the help of fully qualified Surveyors.

You will learn all about the current surveying equipment used in the industry, including a digital level, total station, GPS and laser scanner. This online class is the closest you'll get to hands-on practical experience without leaving the house – and you'll get to learn all about what surveying is like out in the field.

Find out more: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/experience-surveying-day-tickets-107160804852?aff=erelexpmlt>

[Learn Digital Marketing with Google](#)

Google is offering a free course on the fundamentals of digital marketing. This course is ideal for anyone wanting to start their own business online, or to learn new skills for work.

The course is run completely online in a series of informative and interactive videos. On completion of the course you will also receive a recognised certification.

Find out more about the course here: <https://learndigital.withgoogle.com/digitalgarage-au/course/digital-marketing>

Scholarships

[Swinburne Access Scholarship for First Year Undergraduates \(Rural & Regional\)](#)

Value: \$5,000

Open/Closing Dates: August 1, 2020 – November 15, 2020

All Access Scholarships are partly funded by the Federal Department of Education's Higher Education Participation Programme (HEPPP). HEPPP aims to ensure that Australians from low SES backgrounds who have the ability to study at university get the opportunity to do so

To be eligible for the Access Scholarship for First Year Undergraduates, applicants must:

- Meet the following criteria:
 - Australian citizen, Australian permanent resident or holder of a permanent humanitarian visa
- Meet the following enrolment criteria:
 - be a commencing Swinburne student in Semester 1, 2021

- enrolled full-time in an eligible course
- have relocated from a rural or regional area in order to study
- demonstrate financial hardship
- demonstrate personal hardship

[Find out more](#)

La Trobe Vice-Chancellor’s Excellence Scholarship (Aspire)

Value: \$20,000 AUD

Open/Closing Dates: August 3, 2020 – October 9, 2020

At La Trobe University we offer scholarships that reward students for outstanding academic achievement. In 2021 we will be offering up to 40 scholarships to high-achieving Year 12 students who have successfully applied for the La Trobe University Aspire Program. The scholarships will be awarded to Aspire students with the highest ATAR in their individual course.

To be eligible to apply for this scholarship, applicants must:

- Have received an offer as a [La Trobe University Aspire applicant](#)
- be an Australian or New Zealand citizen, or holder of an Australian permanent resident visa or permanent humanitarian visa
- be studying Australian Year 12 or IB in 2020
- achieve a minimum ATAR or IB equivalent of 80 to be considered
- receive a La Trobe University offer via VTAC/UAC (or state equivalent)

[Find out more](#)

Deakin University Vice-Chancellor’s Academic Excellence Scholarship

Value: \$35,000 - \$80,000 AUD

Open/Closing Dates: August 31, 2020 – January 11, 2021

Deakin’s prestigious Vice-Chancellor’s Academic Excellence Scholarship is awarded each year to 26 eligible undergraduate students whose exceptional academic achievements and extra-curricular activities truly set them apart.

To be eligible you must be:

- an Australian citizen or holder of an Australian permanent humanitarian visa
- commencing at Deakin University in an undergraduate bachelor degree in Trimester 1 2021
- enrolled full time unless there are exceptional circumstances preventing full-time study
- enrolled in a Commonwealth supported place (CSP).

You must be able to demonstrate academic achievement in one of the following:

- an ATAR of at least 95 or International Baccalaureate equivalent
- dux of your high school.

Consideration will be given to:

- your extra-curricular activities and achievements, for example in the areas of leadership, community service, the arts, volunteering, or sport
- students experiencing personal or financial hardship.

[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 (17-19 March 2021)
- Exclusive access to meet with Australia’s elite authors and publishers
- Personalised advice and full editorial report courtesy of Penguin Random House (Australia)

The competition is open until Friday 4 December.

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

[The ABC Heywire Competition](#)

Open to people aged 16-22, living in regional or rural Australia. Heywire encourages young people to tell stories about their life outside the major cities in text, photo, video or audio format.

Each year, every ABC regional station selects a winning Heywire Competition entry to represent their part of Australia. The young winners work with ABC staff to produce their story to be featured on ABC Radio and abc.net.au.

Competition winners also score an all-expenses-paid trip to the Heywire Summit, designed to ensure their voices are heard in Canberra and around the nation.

The competition is open until Wednesday 16 September.

Find out more and enter here: <https://www.abc.net.au/heywire/competition/>

[SkyStock.net Relaunch Aerial Photography Competition](#)

To celebrate the relaunch of their new platform, SkyStock.net are having their largest aerial photography competition yet.

The total prize pool is worth \$4,000. The competition runs from August until December with a different theme and prize every month.

To enter, just upload your best aerial photography to SkyStock.net's website.

Find out more and enter here: <https://skystock.net/skystock-net-relaunch-competition/>

Careers & Jobs

Business ideas to consider while you're at high school

Following on from our [How to start a business in the middle of a pandemic](#) blog, perhaps you're motivated to have a go at the business idea that's been in the back of your mind for a while. Fantastic, get yourself organised and give it your best shot – remember to update your skills and experience sections on your resume too

Starting a business while you're still at high school might seem like a bit of a stretch, but [17% of Australians were self-employed](#) in 2019 and they all started somewhere. If your venture is successful, you never know where it could all end, but one thing is for sure – you'll definitely learn a lot along the way.

So, if you'd like to earn a bit of extra cash, start saving for uni (or something else), or dream about becoming a business guru and you want to get started right now but can't decide what to do; we've come up with a few ideas that could work for you (or at least spark your creativity).

Keep your business idea simple and safe

Before you race off and get started, spend a while considering your business plan, maybe get some advice and input from other people. Do your research into the potential demand for your goods or services and check out competitors as well.

Pare back if necessary, keep your idea as basic as possible. You can always build on your business and expand later on.

Try to reduce your risks, don't waste your time or money, and at the moment it would be wise to read a little bit about [COVID compliance](#). Think about ways to keep your products or services as contact free as possible.

Small business ideas and inspiration to consider, even during a pandemic

The pandemic is restrictive in many ways but adjusting your mindset to see new opportunities could be really beneficial.

Look at goods and services that are more in demand than ever and you could come up with a genius new way to appeal to lots of people and start making money quickly.

- Get creative, make handmade items then sell them online, through local social media groups, or sign up to sites like [Etsy](#). As well as traditional goods, consider items that

might sell well right now like masks, washable phone or laptop covers, greetings cards, games and puzzles.

- Sign up with freelancing marketplaces such as [Fiverr](#), [Airtasker](#), [Upwork.com](#), [Guru.com](#), [Oneflare](#), [Design Crowd](#) if you have a particular set of skills you'd like to use.
- Provide a pick-up service for places (or items) that don't already have delivery organised – the Post office, health food stores, or pet shop for example.
- Do some [online tutoring](#) if you're doing great in a particular subject or have a skill that's in demand.
- Offer to do car washing and detailing at people's homes.
- Start a lawn mowing or weeding service, establish and maintain vegetable gardens, or provide garden upkeep and maintenance for when owners go away.
- Cleaning up council bins on a monthly basis – it might not be glamorous but it's a job that needs doing and a chore that most of us would like to hand over.
- Produce your own podcasts or YouTube videos and get people to subscribe.
- Become a blogger, you could even end up writing for other people.
- If you're great in the kitchen consider baking or other catering options like cake decorating, making picnic hampers, kids party food, dinner parties, or any other foodie treats. (You will have to check health and safety compliance rules and regulations with your local council, then register with them too).
- Dog walking or pet care for other people could be a great option. With a strong stomach and steady supply of gloves you could even set yourself up to be a professional poop scooper in people's gardens.
- Got technical skills and a fantastic idea? You could become an app creator, graphic designer, game developer or website designer.
- Provide technical support for people who need to set up social media pages, google adverts or help with online services.
- Musicians and performers – you could play at venues, functions and events, make a name for yourself and maybe even get discovered.
- If you're great at art you could provide custom portraits of people or pets, create bespoke artwork, posters, illustrations, murals and more.
- Love being active and staying fit, then you could offer personal training and motivate others to be healthier too. (Running classes or one-on-one sessions online could work).

Don't overcommit yourself

Before you start, you'll need to figure out how much time you can commit without interfering with other aspects of your life that are important too – especially school-work and sleep.

Remember to always make sure you can meet your business obligations so you don't let customers down. A good reputation is really important in helping you keep and grow your customer base.

Further Learning

[Charles Sturt Advantage Early Offer – Applications Close Soon](#)

Applications are closing soon for CSU's Charles Sturt Advantage Early Offer Program. This alternative pathway is a way to get into uni before you receive your ATAR. Instead, they will assess your soft skills through a short written application.

Apply by Monday 31 August to receive a conditional early offer.

Find out more and apply: <https://study.csu.edu.au/study-options/pathways/charles-sturt-advantage>

[6 Reasons to Study VET](#)

This year has seen some big changes, and one of them might have been your plan for education in the future.

If you're wondering whether or not to go to university, consider VET as a great alternative.

RMIT has written a great blog with the top 6 reasons you should think about studying VET. They include:

1. Getting hands-on experience
2. Be job-ready sooner
3. Flexible learning
4. Get skills quicker
5. Smaller classes and one-on-one learning
6. A pathway to higher education

You can read the full blog here: <https://www.rmit.edu.au/news/all-news/2020/jul/six-reasons-to-study-ve>

[Mentoring Programs](#)

Joining mentoring programs can be hugely beneficial in many stages of life:

- High school
- University
- Starting a new job
- Changing careers

Are just a few examples of times when mentors could provide a supportive learning relationship that could help you move forward with more ease and confidence.

What are mentors?

Mentors are people with experience and wisdom in a particular area or field (not always older), who are happy to spend time sharing their knowledge with others who could benefit from it. They could provide guidance, motivation, emotional support, and role modelling. They could help you with exploring careers, setting goals, developing contacts (networking), and identifying other useful, relevant resources that could be helpful.

How to find a mentor

Start off by speaking to someone at your school and see what programs or initiatives they already have on offer, perhaps they'd be happy to implement something new if there isn't a program already up and running.

If you know someone who has expertise or skills in an area you're interested in, then you could approach them directly and ask if they'd be willing to mentor you.

Alternatively, there are mentoring programs that you can sign up for.

Here are a few to research:

- [Raise](#) offer 4 programs
- [Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Australia](#)
- [The Smith Family](#)
- [EdConnect](#)
- [MTC Youth Frontiers mentoring Program](#)
- [Veteran Mentors Junior Leader Program](#)
- [ABCN Mentoring Program](#)

Find other opportunities

If you don't see what you're looking for on this list then do a search, ask around in your community and see what's available, you could be surprised by the options out there.

[Watch Bond Open Day Live on Demand](#)

The Open Day Live at Bond broadcast might have wrapped up for 2020, but you can still be part of all the action.

Learn more about the university ranked #1 in Australia by employers (QILT Employer Satisfaction Survey).

Check out the wide range of tours, faculty and study area demos, interviews with students and academics and more on your own device, all at your own pace.

Find out more: <https://bond.edu.au/open-day-2020>

[Bond University – 2021 Year 12 Entry](#)

Year 12 students have shown incredible resilience in adapting to the challenges presented by the coronavirus pandemic.

To ensure students are not disadvantaged by the hardship caused by COVID-19, Bond University will support students by assessing applications based on their first semester Year 12 results.

Applications can be made now via Bond’s direct online application and if the entry requirements are met, an offer will be received that guarantees entry to Bond conditional on the completion of Year 12 and meeting any subject prerequisite requirements for a program.

Note: Bond’s Medical Program is excluded from these revised entry requirements.

Learn more at <https://bond.edu.au/2021-year-12-entry>

[Indigenous Mentoring Programs](#)

Indigenous Mentoring Programs are designed to help you get the most out of your education – at high school, TAFE or uni. Or to open up opportunities through networking and experiences.

Mentors could help you achieve all that and more by working on building your confidence, inspiring and motivating you, supporting you and believing in your abilities.

You can read a bit more about what mentors are, and ways to go about finding one [here](#).

Mentoring Programs that could suit you

- [Barayamal](#)
- [Experiential Mentoring](#) through the Smith Family
- [Aurora Education Foundation High School Program](#). They also run an [Outreach Program](#).
- [Pathways to Dreaming Program at WSU](#)
- [Strive BIG Mentoring Program at UNSW](#)
- [AIEF Mentoring Program](#): you’ll need to apply for a scholarship (successfully) to be eligible for this program that’ll pair you with an AIEF Mentor at the beginning of Year 10.

Resources

[Australia Council for the Arts – First Nations Contemporary Music Program](#)

The Australia Council for the Arts has recently opened applications for Indigenous musicians and bands looking to receive support.

The purpose of this grant is for First Nations Contemporary Music projects for individual artists and groups for creative and skills development projects of up to \$15,000. These projects can include creation of new work, professional development, marketing and promotion, touring and performance opportunities including digital platforms.

Applications are open now and close on Tuesday 6 October.

Find out more and apply here: <https://www.australiacouncil.gov.au/funding/funding-index/First-Nations-Contemporary-Music-Program-Musicians-and-Band-support/>

Australian Olympic Change-Maker

The Australian Olympic Change-Maker program recognises and rewards students who are demonstrating the Olympic spirit through leadership and driving positive change in their communities.

Entries are open to all Australian high schools, and teachers are invited to nominate up to two students per school from years 10-12 who demonstrate the Olympic Spirit.

This can take on many forms – from major projects to small examples of daily positivity. This is a chance to have your students recognised for their fantastic work in leading teams, coaching juniors, supporting seniors, making a difference at a sports club, a national cause or effecting change on the world stage.

Every Award recipient will receive:

- Certificate of recognition
- Invitation to attend a virtual forum
- Consideration for selection to attend the National Olympic Change-Maker Summit

Nominations are open until Monday 31 August.

Find out more here: <https://www.olympics.com.au/resources/articles/australian-olympic-change-maker/>

National Science Week 2020

This year, National Science Week will take place from Saturday 15 to Sunday 23 August.

All around Australia there will be a huge variety of live online events, virtual tours, competitions and fun activities to participate in and grow your STEM knowledge.

Take a look at what's on and find a whole bunch of resources here:

<https://www.scienceweek.net.au/>

Free Learning Styles Questionnaire

Understanding your learning style can help you improve your results and get more from your study time.

Everyone is unique, and we all have our own preferences when it comes to learning new material. Even if your teacher's methods don't align with your preferred learning style, you can still find ways to absorb the information. Start by taking the quiz, then look for ways you can adapt your study technique to suit your learning style. It'll save you time and energy, and help you get a better handle on the information.

Which learning style are you?

Active vs Reflective Learners

Active Learners need to try things out, while Reflective Learners like to think about things first. If you're an active learner try studying with a group and testing out concepts you've learnt in class. Reflective learners should spend time reviewing what they've learnt and thinking of possible other questions you could ask.

Sensing vs Intuitive Learners

Sensing Learners like to learn about facts, so connect what you've learnt with your real world experiences and look for practical applications of the material. Intuitive Learners prefer to innovate and don't want to repeat information, so make sure you double check your answers.

Visual vs Verbal Learners

Visual Learners prefer to see things for themselves, so when you're studying try creating flowcharts and graphs to remember the information. Verbal Learners can write out summaries of the material in their own words, or talk about the information with classmates.

Sequential vs Global Learners

Sequential Learners like to follow logical steps, so if you find you're not following the material go back and fill in the gaps in your knowledge. Global Learners could benefit from getting an overview of the topic before they start learning, so you could look for quick videos on the topic before you start your formal study session.

Take the [Learning Styles Questionnaire](#) to find out where you fit in. It's based on [decades of research](#) and [you can find it here](#).

Teachers: Although the Questionnaire is free, the creators have asked that anyone who has used it in class or with multiple students [donate to support its upkeep](#) if you are able.

You can find more [study tips here](#).

[Join the Bite Back Mental Fitness Challenge](#)

Bite Back is a mental health and wellbeing challenge created by the Black Dog Institute for young people aged 12 – 18.

It consists of six weekly challenges to help you improve your mental fitness, increase your happiness, reduce stress, improve your friendships and your focus. There is a combination of quizzes, interactive activities, videos and more.

For each challenge you complete you receive a token, which can be used to go into the draw to win prizes.

Find out more and sign up here: <https://www.biteback.org.au/MentalFitnessChallenge>

The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award

[The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award](#) has been adopted in over 130 countries around the world, with more than 8 million young people taking part. In Australia over 775,000 youths have participated since it was started back in 1959.

What is the award about?

It's a structured but informal youth development program that's been designed to empower young Australians and help them to explore their full potential, find their purpose, passion and place in the world.

There are 3 levels:

- **Bronze** – minimum 6 months
- **Silver** – minimum 6 months if completed Bronze otherwise 12 months for direct entrants
- **Gold** – minimum 12 months if completed Silver otherwise 18 months for direct entrants

Each level gets more challenging.

To receive your award you'll have to earn a skill, improve their physical wellbeing, volunteer in their community and experience a team adventure in a new environment. You'll get supervision and mentoring to help you out.

It is still possible to apply and work towards your award in spite of COVID.

Taking part in the award

- Be aged between 14 – 24 years old
- Download a guide
- Find an award centre
- Register
- With the help of Award Leader decide on your tasks
- Nominate an Assessor
- Set your SMART goals and start, you'll need to fill in your record book as you go too
- Log your hours, complete the task, get your Assessor to sign off & write a report
- Submit your your record book and Assessment report
- Wait to hear the outcome

Then add it to your resume along with all the skills you learnt along the way.

Why should you consider doing the award?

There are plenty of benefits to consider, the D of E could:

- help you to achieve more at school

- look great on your resume
- help you become more competitive in future applications for courses and jobs
- improve your physical health
- help you achieve and maintain positive emotional and mental wellbeing
- get you involved in your community
- help you make more friends with similar interests
- develop your awareness of social, community and environmental issues

If you're still not sure, you can have a look at their website, or read some of the [stories from other participants](#).

Job Spotlight

How to become a Pathology Collector

What do Pathology Collectors do?

Pathology Collectors (also known Phlebotomists – who generally only collect blood samples) collect samples of fluids and tissues from patients that could help diagnose illnesses and other issues. They're also responsible for storing and preparing the samples for transport to pathology labs for processing and analysis.

If you're good at multi-tasking, have great people skills, are highly organised and great at following rules, becoming a Pathology Collector could be a career to explore.

About you:

- Sympathetic, calm and a great communicator
- Pays attention to details, follows instructions and procedures to the letter
- Steady hands with good practical skills

The job:

- Check personal details, explain procedures to and help reassure patients
- Obtain required samples using strict procedures to prevent contamination
- Keep the working environment clean, hygienic and prevent cross-contamination
- Store and label samples correctly, then deliver them to the lab within strict timeframes
- Keep accurate and updated patient, test, and equipment records

Lifestyle Impact: Low

- **Part Time opportunities:** High (59% workers are part time – Source: joboutlook.gov.au)
- **Below average hours** for full-time workers (average 40 per week)

- **Pathology Collector salary (average)** \$47,000 per year (Source: com)
- **Future career growth:** Strong (Source: joboutlook.gov.au)
- Limited opportunities to work from home and limited jobs in regional areas

Pathology Collectors are in demand in these locations:

Victoria, Queensland and New South Wales (source: seek.com.au)

How to become a Pathology Collector in Australia

The minimum qualifications you'll need to become a Pathology Collector in Australia are a Certificate III in Pathology Collection HLT37215 (from an approved educational institution) and a current first aid certificate.

Step 1 – Study Maths, English and Biology at high school.

Step 2 – Complete the required qualification e.g.:

[Certificate III in Pathology Collection](#)

[Diploma of Laboratory Technician](#)

Step 3 – If you don't already have one, you'll need a full [driver's license](#).

Step 4 – Become first aid certified

<https://stjohn.org.au/first-aid-training>

<https://www.australiawidefirstaid.com.au/>

<https://www.redcross.org.au/get-involved/learn/first-aid/courses/provide-first-aid>

Step 5 – Obtain relevant work experience or complete the required number of hours supervised work placement as part of your training.

Find out more here –

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

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

<https://www.rcpa.edu.au/>

Similar Careers to Pathology Collector

Medical Technician

Laboratory Technician

Pharmacy Technician

Phlebotomist

Medical Receptionist
Enrolled Nurse
[Cosmetic Nurse](#)
[Aged Care](#)

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

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's)

- **What do Pathology Collectors do?**

They collect blood and other specimens from patients for analysis, label the samples accurately, store them to preserve them and avoid contamination, then transport them to pathology labs for analysis. They may also work preparing and processing pathology samples for testing in a laboratory.

- **Do I need qualifications to become a Pathology Collector?**

Yes, you'll need a minimum of a Certificate III in Pathology Collection, plus a valid driver's license and a current first aid certificate.

- **Where do Pathology Collectors work?**

Pathology Collectors work in private and public hospitals or in collection centres which may be in privately owned diagnostic pathology laboratories, doctors' surgeries, insurance offices, or fertility clinics.

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