



Australian Government
Department of Defence



Military Law Enforcement Overview: Lavarack Barracks

Reference number:	WEP/02579/21
Service:	Army
Placement Location:	Lavarack Barracks University Drive, Murray, Townsville
Type of Placement/s:	Secondary Placement
Start & End dates:	11 October to 14 October 2021
Duration of Placement:	4 days
Placement Limits:	15
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Closing Date:	5:00PM, 10 September 2021

Overview of Placement

The Royal Australian Corps of Military Police is comprised of the 1st Military Police Battalion and the Joint Military Police Unit. The 1st Military Police Battalion are the law enforcement specialists concerning offensive, defensive and stability operations within the Defence Force, domestically and overseas. Military Police are responsible for a variety of roles in the battlespace, such as security, mobility & manoeuvre support, and internment and detention operations.

The 1st Military Police Battalion maintain military effectiveness and the reputation of Army in peace, crisis and conflict. Military Police job roles include General Duties Law Enforcement, Close Personal Protection (the protection of VIPs) and Military Police Dog Handlers. Military Police are highly trained in specialist weapons such as the MAG58, MP5 and the shotgun.

A Company, 1 Military Police Battalion is the sub-unit responsible for providing general duties and specialist (Close Personal Protection and Military Police Dog Handlers) support to the 3rd Combat Brigade (Lavarack Barracks). As part of this work experience placement, students will be hosted by A Company, 1st Military Police Battalion and will have the opportunity to observe and experience a range of roles and responsibilities of the Military Police. Students will be able to experience such roles in both a barracks and field environment. Students will also gain an understanding of the Joint Military Policing Unit (JMPU) who is responsible for policing and security of the base and the Australian Defence Force Investigative Service (ADFIS) who is responsible for serious and complex investigations.

Students will be exposed to the wider functions, roles and responsibilities of Army life as they are shown places of interest and participate in activities around Lavarack Barracks and potential other training areas.

Special Conditions of Placement

All placements are subject to relevant State/Territory COVID-19 Guidelines and Defence Restrictions. This may result in a placement being changed, postponed and/or cancelled at short notice.

Students should have a genuine interest in a Military Police career and will be asked to demonstrate this when they address Selection Criteria as part of their application.

Students should have a good level of physical fitness as they will be required to participate in Army Physical Training (PT) sessions.

Students will have an opportunity to spend one night (overnight) in a field training environment observing Military Police night operations. Students from outside of the Townsville area must organise and fund their own travel to, and accommodation in Townsville, for the duration of the work experience placement; we cannot assist with these aspects. Applicants should discuss with their parent/guardian and ensure they can meet these requirements before submitting their application.

Assessment Criteria

You will be required to answer the following questions when completing your online application:

1. What are your career goals and/or areas of interest within the Army? What are you doing to achieve these goals? (e.g. school subjects, part-time work, member of relevant organisations such as Cadets, SES, Scouts etc, contact with Defence Force Recruiting etc.) (max 100 words)
2. Why do you want to do work experience with the Military Police? What do you hope to gain from this experience? (max 100 words)

Eligibility

Work Experience opportunities are available for both secondary and tertiary students.

Applicants/candidates must be an Australian Citizen / Permanent Resident of Australia.

Age Group – Students participating in Defence work experience placements must be 15 – 24 years of age at the time of the placement.

What happens next?

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Applications must be submitted through the online application system (eRecruit) prior to the closing date.

1. When registering on eRecruit and submitting an application, you must use your own email account preferably your school/education email address if you have one.

For further information refer to the [eRecruit Applicant User Guide](#).

If you are experiencing difficulties in submitting your application contact the Work Experience Program team via email at defence.workexperienceprogram@defence.gov.au for assistance.

2. Following the advertised closing date an evaluation of your assessment criteria responses will be completed.
3. The Work Experience Liaison Officer administering the placement will advise you via email if your application for placement is successful.
4. If successful, you will receive instructions on how to login and retrieve your Work Experience Placement Agreement.
5. To accept the placement offer:
 - a. complete the Work Experience Agreement;
 - b. have it signed by yourself, your parent/guardian (if you are under the age of 18) and your school principal; and
 - c. return it via the instructions you will receive in eRecruit.
6. Once the Agreement is approved you will be provided with further information about the work experience placement.

**Thank you for your interest
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