

WORK EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITIES

ADF Work Experience

The Defence Work Experience Program provides young Australians interested in Defence as a future career, the opportunity to sample life in Defence and learn more about the Australian Defence Force (ADF) and the Australian Public Service (APS).

There are lots of different opportunities, so check out the [work experience placements](#) that are on offer.

Contact: Defence.WorkExperienceProgram@defence.gov.au

Find out more - <http://www.defence.gov.au/workexperience/>

CSIRO

We offer high school science students the chance to gain first-hand experience of our core research in a scientific environment. Official applications for 2018 will open in March and successful participants will be notified by the end of May.

Find out more - <https://www.csiro.au/en/Careers/Student-and-graduate-opportunities/Work-experience>

Your local university library

Many libraries have work experience programs, where you can experience what it's like to work in an academic library.

Health Services

Many hospitals and health services offer fantastic work experience programs, like this one in [Central Gippsland](#), or this one at [Austin Health](#). You could also find work experience in research institutions, like [The Florey Institute of Neuroscience & Mental Health](#).

Get in touch with your local service to see if they can accommodate you.

AIE Work Experience

Students in Years 10–12 can request work experience at the Academy of Interactive Entertainment. If you're interested in game design, animation or visual effects, you should think about applying for work experience at AIE.

Find out more – <http://www.aie.edu.au/StudentInformation/workexp>

Natural Resources Management

Learn about ecology, natural resource policy, and national parks. Like [this program in South Australia](#), many of the 56 regional organisations will offer work experience for secondary students.

Find them all here - <http://www.nrm.gov.au/regional/regional-nrm-organisations>

Interested in surveying? Check out [this option from A Life Without Limits](#).

Bureau of Meteorology

AVAILABLE IN MELBOURNE

As Australia's national weather, climate, ocean and water agency, we offer students the opportunity to gain first-hand experience in our core weather and science services.

Find out more and apply now - <http://www.bom.gov.au/careers/work-experience/>

Legal Work Experience

Many of our courts will offer work experience, like this program from the [Supreme Court of Victoria](#), this one at the [SA Courts Administration Authority](#), or this program from the [Victorian Department of Justice](#).

APS and the Department of Human Services

We're one of the largest and most diverse government employers, and our pathways provide valuable work experience. They also provide the opportunity to gain a broad range of technical and administrative skills.

Find out more - <https://www.humanservices.gov.au/organisations/about-us/careers/employment-programs/work-experience-pathways>

Journalism Work Experience

Many of the larger organisations only take University students for their work experience programs, but smaller or regional stations and newspapers will take secondary students. Places can be competitive, so consider creating an original application and see where it takes you.

Art Galleries and Museums

If you're very lucky you could score work experience at one of our fantastic galleries or museums. Check out the big institutions as well as local galleries and museums – you'll still get an amazing experience that looks great on your resume even if it's not as flashy (in fact you might even have more fun).

Major employers

If you want to work in business, IT, or retail, try applying with some of the bigger employers in your preferred field. By choosing a larger company you'll be more likely to experience a range of careers, like [this student](#) did when he spent a week at Telstra.

Myer Work Experience

- <http://careers.myer.com.au/caw/en/job/324119/myworkexperience>

TATA Consulting Services

Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) are at the forefront of innovation across the globe. However, in Australia, growth in the IT industry faces two significant challenges; a skills shortage and an under representation of women in the industry.

The TCS GoIT Girls work experience program aims to:

- Inspire students to consider future studies and a career in IT
- Provide insight into varied roles within an IT company and the business world
- Empower students to design and develop IT projects
- Complement the school curriculum

The program has four focus areas:

1. Technical IT skills
2. Employability skills

3. Female role models in technology
4. Experiences within the technology industry

Program dates:

Melbourne

21st May - 25th May 2018

6th August - 10th August 2018

26th November – 30th November 2018

Time: The program takes place at the TCS office from 9.30am – 4pm each day.

Location: Melbourne - TCS office, Level 8, 479 St Kilda Road Melbourne

Eligibility: We would like to invite your female students in year 10 aged 15-17, to participate in the program. Note, students do not require any background in IT to participate.

For more information and to apply, please visit www.tcs.com/go4itanz

The Zoo

Most zoos offer work experience programs, and yes it is possible to get a spot but you have to be prepared. Most zoos will only accept one application per school, so make sure you get yours in ASAP to your careers advisor.

Zoos Victoria - <https://www.zoo.org.au/about-us/careers-at-zoos-victoria/work-experience/secondary>

Some zoos can't offer full work experience programs, but they still offer behind-the-scenes programs which look great on a resume if you're aiming to work with animals.

I hope this helps.