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UNDERSTANDING MYSELF AND MY OPTIONS



Understanding Education And Training



Learning Outcomes

The information in this career resource will build your:

- Understanding of education and training sectors in Australia.
- Knowledge of Australian education and training qualifications.

Different occupations have different education and training requirements. Having an idea about the level of education or training that you plan to do after you leave school can help you to narrow the range of career options you need to consider. This resource will inform you about Australian education and training pathways.

Formal Education and Training in Australia

Formal education and training in Australia is delivered by three main types of education and training institutions. These are:

Schools

School learning areas and subjects develop foundation knowledge, understandings and skills for life, learning and work.

Vocational Education and Training

Vocational education and training qualifications and courses are nationally accredited. They are delivered by TAFEs and Registered Training Organisations. Courses are designed to develop skills for specific industries as well as employability skills in an industry context.

Vocational education and training courses generally have a practical focus. They are usually 6 months to two years in duration. People who prefer to learn by doing may prefer vocational education and training courses.

