

# JOB ROLE

# ARCHITECTURAL DRAFTSPERSON

## LEVEL OF GROWTH FOR JOB ROLE



- > Projected change of + 11.9%
- > From 73,500 in 2021 to 82,200 in 2026

## AVERAGE SALARY FOR OCCUPATION



**Entry level**  
(1-3 years' experience)



**Senior**  
(8+ years' experience)

## WHAT DO EMPLOYERS WANT?



### SPECIALISED SKILLS

- > AutoCAD
- > Revit
- > Teamwork/Collaboration
- > Building Design
- > Building Codes

### EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS

- > Communication Skills
- > Detail-Orientated
- > Time Management
- > Problem Solving
- > Planning

### DIGITAL SKILLS

- > AutoCAD
- > Revit
- > Autodesk
- > Computer Aided Draughting/ Design (CAD)
- > SolidWorks

## EMPLOYMENT PROSPECTS



### TOP SOUTH AUSTRALIAN INDUSTRIES WHO ADVERTISED FOR THIS JOB ROLE IN THE PREVIOUS 12 MONTHS:

- > Engineering Design and Engineering Consulting Services
- > Non-Residential Property Operations
- > Other Transport Equipment Manufacturing
- > Iron Ore Mining
- > Local Government Administration

### TOP SOUTH AUSTRALIAN EMPLOYERS WHO ADVERTISED FOR THIS JOB ROLE IN THE PREVIOUS 12 MONTHS:

- > The Westfield Group
- > GHD Pty
- > BHP Billiton Limited
- > BAE Systems Australia
- > Technical Drafter

### LOOK FOR JOBS BEING ADVERTISED USING THESE JOB TITLES:

- > Draftsman
- > Architectural Technician
- > Architectural Draftsman
- > Trainee Engineering Drafter
- > Technical Drafter



## YOU MIGHT CONSIDER UNDERTAKING STUDY TO TRANSITION INTO THESE RELATED JOB ROLES:

- > Civil Engineering Draftsperson
- > Architect
- > Electrical Engineering Draftsperson
- > Mechanical Engineering Draftsperson

## QUALIFICATION PATHWAYS



**Looking to progress your career?** TAFE SA can help you further your study with these courses (\*fees may apply)

- > Certificate IV in Residential Drafting (CPP40121)
- > Diploma of Building Design (CPP50921)

Or undertake a range of short courses to supplement your existing knowledge or continue upskilling.

Further information available on the TAFESA website.

## JOB HOLDER COMMENTS

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“I love knowing how things works and building is one of them. TAFE SA was a great option for me because it is flexible, with learning online and face-to-face. When I finish my qualification I'd really like to work in the industry. My previous studies at University helped me but its really more hands-on at TAFE SA, as I found the lecturers have more experience about working in their field and I felt supported. For people interested in studying at TAFE SA I highly recommend Tonsley, it is a great establishment of how you can see tradies being taught from the ground up.”

**Sarah Irwin**

Certificate IV in Residential Drafting (CPP40121)



## NETWORKING WITH INDUSTRY



Networking with industry provides you with opportunities to gain employment, advance your career and stay current with industry changes.

Upcoming conferences and workshops are an excellent way to introduce yourself to key industry contacts. Upcoming events include:

- > **International Conference on Architecture, Materials and Construction (ICAMC-23)**  
Sage Hotel, Adelaide  
20th-21st July 2023

Follow these organisations on social media:

- > Australian Institute of Architects

Consider these opportunities to find employment:

- > Send your resume to relevant businesses in your local area
- > Look for employment opportunities advertised on
  - the TAFE SA Jobs Board
  - online employment websites like Seek
  - the job board on your local Regional Development Australia (RDA) website

## CAREER SUPPORT



**Not sure where to start?** TAFE SA's Student Services can provide you with a range of career planning support including:

- > career planning
- > write a winning resume
- > how to respond to selection criteria
- > cover letters that stand out
- > preparing for job interviews

**To find our more, or to book an appointment, visit TAFE SA's Career Support Page: Career Support ([tafesa.edu.au](http://tafesa.edu.au))**

### Data sources:

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