

JOB ROLE

LABORATORY TECHNICIAN

LEVEL OF GROWTH FOR JOB ROLE



- > Projected Change +5.2%
- > From 22,200 in 2023 to 23,400 in 2028

AVERAGE SALARY FOR OCCUPATION



Entry level
(1-3 years' experience)



Senior
(8+ years' experience)

WHAT DO EMPLOYERS WANT?



SPECIALISED SKILLS

- > Chemistry
- > Calibration
- > Quality Assurance and Control
- > Sample Preparation
- > Teamwork/Collaboration

EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS

- > Communication Skills
- > Detail-Orientated
- > Time Management
- > Organisational Skills
- > Troubleshooting

DIGITAL SKILLS

- > Microsoft 365 Suite
- > Veritas NetBackup
- > SAP

EMPLOYMENT PROSPECTS



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

- > Cement and Lime Manufacturing
- > Wine and Other Alcoholic Beverage Manufacturing
- > Agriculture and Fishing Support Services
- > Higher Education
- > Health Care Services

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

- > Persolkelly
- > Adelaide Brighton
- > Pernod Ricard
- > Pinnacle
- > Acclaimed Workforce

LOOK FOR JOBS BEING ADVERTISED USING THESE JOB TITLES:

- > Laboratory Technician
- > Laboratory Scientist



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

- > Laboratory Manager
- > Radiology Technician

QUALIFICATION PATHWAYS



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

- > Certificate III in Laboratory Skills (MSL30122)
- > Certificate IV in Laboratory Techniques (MSL40122)
- > Diploma of Laboratory Technology (MSL50122)

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

Further information available on the TAFE SA website.

JOB HOLDER COMMENTS



“I thoroughly enjoyed the extensive hands-on experience in the TAFE SA laboratories – it was an amazing and memorable experience! I also appreciated the guidance and support provided by the motivated and friendly lecturers. I gained the essential skills required to enter a new industry and secure a permanent position within the Laboratory Technology field.”

Rosie Mercorella

Diploma of Laboratory Technology (MSL50122)



NETWORKING WITH INDUSTRY



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

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

- > **AusMedtech 2024**
22nd - 23rd May 2024
Adelaide Convention Centre

Follow these organisations on social media:

- > SAHMRI
- > Australian Institute of Medical & Clinical Scientists
- > SA Health

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 out more, or to book an appointment, visit TAFE SA's Career Support Page: Career Support (tafesa.edu.au)

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