

# JOB ROLE

# YOUTH WORK

## LEVEL OF GROWTH FOR JOB ROLE



- Projected change of +8.4%
- From 91,252 in 2024 to 98,917 in 2029

## AVERAGE SALARY FOR OCCUPATION



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



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

## WHAT DO EMPLOYERS WANT?



### SPECIALISED SKILLS

- Child Protection
- Case Management
- Working with Children
- Trauma Care
- Conflict Resolution

### EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS

- Communication
- Advocacy
- Rapport Building
- Resilience
- Mentorship

### DIGITAL SKILLS

- Case Management Software
- Microsoft 365 App Suite

## EMPLOYMENT PROSPECTS



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

- Health Care & Social Assistance
- Arts & Recreation Services
- Education & Training

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

- State of South Australia
- Department for Child Protection
- The Salvation Army
- YMCA
- Workskil Australia

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

- Child & Youth Worker
- Youth Worker



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

- Counsellor
- Social Worker



## QUALIFICATION PATHWAYS

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

- Certificate IV in Child, Youth and Family Intervention (CHC40321)
- Certificate IV in Youth Work (CHC40421)

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

Further information available on the TAFE SA website.



## 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.

Follow these organisations on social media:

- Australian Association for Adolescent Health (AAAH)
- Youth Workers Australia (YWA)
- Australian Community Workers Foundation (ACWF)

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](https://tafesa.edu.au))**

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