

JOB ROLE

YOUTH WORKER

LEVEL OF GROWTH FOR JOB ROLE



- > Projected change of +8.3%
- > From 80,300 in 2023 to 86,900 in 2028

AVERAGE SALARY FOR OCCUPATION



\$55,816

Entry level
(1-3 years' experience)



\$118,190

Senior
(8+ years' experience)

WHAT DO EMPLOYERS WANT?



SPECIALISED SKILLS

- > Child Protection
- > Working with Patient and/or Condition: Trauma
- > Working with Patient and/or Condition: Mental Health
- > Public Health and Safety
- > Cooking

EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS

- > Communication Skills
- > Creativity
- > Planning
- > Verbal/Oral Communication
- > Building Effective Relationships

DIGITAL SKILLS

- > Facebook
- > Electronic Data Interchange
- > Microsoft Office
- > Bryce

EMPLOYMENT PROSPECTS



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

- > Other Social Assistance Services
- > Education Support Services
- > State Government Administration
- > Other Residential Care Services
- > Investigation and Security Services

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

- > Government of South Australia
- > The Salvation Army
- > Uniting Communities
- > Junction Australia
- > Centacare

LOOK FOR JOBS BEING ADVERTISED USING THESE JOB TITLES:

- > Youth Worker
- > SSO HS – Youth Worker
- > Child and Youth Support Worker
- > Youth Worker – Supported Residential Care
- > Therapeutic Youth Worker



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

- > Diversional Therapist
- > Case Worker
- > Family and Marriage Counsellor

QUALIFICATION PATHWAYS



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

- > 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.

JOB HOLDER COMMENTS

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“The practical element is by far the greatest aspect of TAFE SA. I was able to develop my techniques making these skills transferrable into real life. I feel confident moving into the workforce as I believe my foundation has been fortified through my studies at TAFE SA.”

Jarred Garretty

Certificate IV in Youth Work (CHC40413)



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)
- > Legal Services Commission South Australia (LSCSA)

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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