

CAREER FACT SHEET

Academics

Snapshot

Academics prepare and deliver lectures and conduct tutorials in one or more subjects within a prescribed course of study at a university and conduct research in a particular field of knowledge.

How many are employed in this occupation?	54,000
What are the average weekly earnings for full time workers?	\$2,682
How does unemployment compare with other occupations?	Above Average
What are the job prospects for this occupation?	Medium
What will be the likely future employment growth for the next five years?	Very Strong Growth

Main employing industries

Education and Training

Tasks

This occupation may include associated occupations with varying tasks.

- Preparing and delivering lectures, and conducting tutorials, seminars and laboratory sessions
- Preparing and marking essays, assignments and examinations
- Advising students on academic and related matters
- Attending departmental and faculty meetings, conferences and seminars
- Supervising work programs of postgraduate and honours students and tutorial staff
- Participating in setting course and degree requirements, curriculum revision and academic planning
- Serving on council, senate, faculty and other committees and professorial boards
- Conducting research and undertaking consultancies in a particular field of knowledge
- Stimulating and guiding class discussions
- Compiling bibliographies of specialised materials for reading assignments

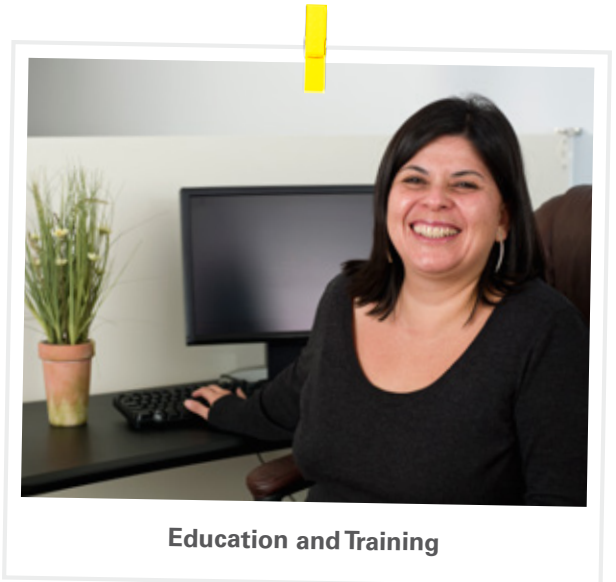
INDUSTRY OVERVIEW

Education and Training

If you relate well to people, particularly younger people, are patient, caring, and feel you have a flair for passing on your knowledge and skills to others, then you might like to consider a career in education and training. The Education and Training sector has experienced strong growth over the past decade, creating a strong demand for trained staff in this field. If you are someone that has a passion for education and is interested in supporting young people in their learning and development, then you should seriously explore the pathways to becoming a Primary or Secondary teacher. If you have practical skills and knowledge you could share with others, you may want to consider the merits of becoming a Vocational Education Teacher/Trainers or Trade teacher. If you enjoy working with children in their early years - helping with their daily care and encouraging their personal development and learning - you may be interested in working in the rapidly growing child care industry. There is a strong demand for qualified child care workers in community, government, and private establishments around the country and it is a very rewarding vocation.

Possible job pathways

- Child Care Centre Managers
- Child Carers (Child Care Assistants, Child Care Group Leaders)
- Driving Instructors
- Education Aides
- ICT Trainers
- Library Assistants
- Primary School Teachers
- School Principals
- Secondary School Teachers
- Special Education Teachers
- Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages
- Training and Development Professionals
- Vocational Education Teachers



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