



POSITION DESCRIPTION

Australian Broadcasting Corporation

Label	Description
Position Title:	JOURNALIST
Position no:	30002228
Team:	[News, Analysis, Investigations]
Department:	Audio News & Current Affairs
Location:	Ultimo
Reports to:	DAY EDITOR, AUDIO NEWS AND CURRENT AFFAIRS 50052729
Classification:	Content Maker
Schedule:	[Schedule B]
Roster cycle	[2 Week Rostered]
Band/level:	[Band 7]
HR Endorsement:	24/07/2022

Purpose

To create compelling and relevant stories each day on topical issues and events by utilising sophisticated audio techniques and storytelling skills for Audio Current Affairs programs, helping to ensure the ABC reflects a diverse range of backgrounds, experiences and perspectives in its news and current affairs content.

Key Accountabilities

- Create compelling stories for broadcast on a variety of radio programs and podcasts as directed.
- Provide a mixture of original stories and strong, comprehensive coverage of breaking news events and issues.
- Work closely and cooperatively with program producers to deliver quality audio stories to program deadlines.
- Lead teams, programs and editorial discussions on a regular basis.
- Maintain highly advanced broadcast skills to be able to conduct live presentation, interviewing and production, as required.
- Produce high quality audio and file from the field utilising a strong working knowledge of equipment and technology.
- Maintain high level reporting skills with strong working knowledge of international and national events, politics and indigenous affairs.
- Develop an understanding of relevant online and social media platforms and ability to write for online platforms, including audio on demand, and share acquired knowledge with colleagues.
- Generate stories that are relevant to a broad section of Australians and reflect the cultural, geographic and socio-economic diversity of the country.

- Actively engage with communities in Australia's outer suburbs to find and tell stories that are relevant for them and in line with the News strategy, "More Relevant to More Australians."
- Actively promote the ABC values and apply all relevant workplace policies and guidelines.
- Cooperate with any reasonable instruction, procedure or policy relating to safety and take reasonable care for your own safety and that of other people who may be affected by your conduct while at work. Additional WHS responsibilities apply to Managers and Supervisors, Team Directors, and other Officers.

Key Capabilities/Qualifications/Experience

1. Significant experience as a journalist with strong reporting, research and analytical skills. Demonstrated ability to generate original stories and angles for daily current affairs coverage and demonstrated ability to turn story ideas into broadcast content.
2. Highly advanced broadcast scripting and writing skills. Able to creatively use the medium and program format to accurately report, give context to and independently analyse complex political issues. Sound understanding of our programs' audience and style.
3. Substantial experience with live reporting and interviewing.
4. Demonstrated high-level ability to manage time and resources to get stories to air before deadline. Ability to work within a team to assist getting stories and programs to air to deadline under high pressure.
5. Ability to file from the field to deadline using all forms of radio broadcast technology. Demonstrated ability to file online content and to generate and produce original digital content for audio on demand platforms.
6. Highly advanced content production skills. Able to use systems and software to produce high-quality content in the office and in the field.
7. Proven ability to work collaboratively in a small team environment, and provide leadership, peer support and editorial guidance to colleagues
8. Thorough knowledge of Editorial Policies, Style Guide, and other Corporate Policies and how they are relevant to the role.
9. Demonstrated understanding and passion to source and create authentic content which represents the broad diversity of the Australian community, including stories that reflect a range of cultural and linguistic backgrounds and Indigenous communities where editorially relevant.
10. A demonstrated and ongoing interest and passion in finding and telling stories that reflect Australia's diversity.
11. A proven ability to source and maintain contacts across the broader Australian community.
12. **ABC Principles:** Demonstrated commitment to the ABC Principles of We are ABC, Straight Talking, People Focused, Accountable and Open & Transparent.
13. **ABC Policies:** Understanding of the relevance and scope of ABC policies and the ABC Principles and a commitment to adhere to these; particularly in relation to complying with health, safety and wellbeing requirements in the workplace and acting in accordance with the ABC Principles.
14. **Diversity and Inclusion:** Ability to communicate effectively and build relationships with people from a range of diverse backgrounds.



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