

**Work experience** is an exciting opportunity at the ABC and is available in the following areas:

- ABC Radio (City Capital Network)
- ABC News, Analysis & Investigations
- ABC Regional & Local
- ABC News Operations (including news camera, video editing and TV studio operations)
- ABC Technical Services (supporting technical broadcast and IT infrastructure)

Please note that ABC has limited places for work experience. High School students are also accepted in some locations and departments; however, priority will be given to University students studying a related discipline.

The list below is the current Work Experience opportunities available by State.

# New South Wales

Giggle and Hoot: Giggle and Hoot is offering the opportunity to gain varied exposure to all aspects of TV Production. As this area is specific to children's television production, priority is normally given to students who have demonstrated their interest in this industry in their application. Applicants must be studying a relevant tertiary course with links to film and television.

**Approximate duration**: If successful, a placement can be for three weeks, at least three days a week.

Catalyst: Priority is normally given to final year tertiary students who are doing a degree in the Sciences and have a demonstrated interest in science communication. You will be involved in and gain experience with many aspects of the production process of the ABC's flagship science documentary series.

ABC Radio Sydney: ABC NSW (part of Capital City Network) Each capital city station keeps the metropolitan audience up-to-date with local news and events as well as what's happening in national and international affairs. The program provides hands on experience in all aspects of content making such as producing daily radio shows, writing local news bulletins, online publishing, social media etc. ABC Regional & Rural network of 44 bureaux across Australia keep regional and rural Australians informed on the issues that matter to them. The regional team also provides insights into regional issues for national and international audiences.



ABC Regional and Rural provides work experience at many of its network stations around the state.

NSW Stations are in Bega, Wollongong, Wagga Wagga, Orange, Dubbo, Tamworth, Newcastle, Muswellbrook, Port Macquarie, Coffs Harbour and Lismore.

How to apply: When applying for work experience please specify your preferred station in your cover letter.

Local High School students with an interest in Media, Communications, the Arts, Journalism or a career in Broadcast Media and content making are encouraged to apply. We also welcome tertiary students studying Communications, Journalism, Media Studies etc.

Radio National (known as RN): The RN work experience program provides observation of program production and live-to-air programs.

Applications are open to tertiary students studying Communications, Journalism, Media Studies or Production/ Broadcast Technologies.

# Australian Capital Territory

Applications will be assessed based on departmental availability.

How to apply: For your application to be considered, a cover letter outlining the areas within the ABC you would like to complete your work experience will be required. Students with a genuine interest in a career in the industry or studying Media/Journalism at University or TAFE are encouraged to apply.

Placements are available for High School students.

# South Australia

# ABC News Internship Program

Priority is given to final year students currently enrolled in a Bachelor of Journalism or a Bachelor of Media (with Journalism specification).

The Internship is a structured two-week program based at our ABC Collinswood site. Students will spend their first week in the Newsroom, observing and shadowing Journalists, Producers, Presenters and other staff involved in television and radio news. There are opportunities for students to go out into the field with Journalists to



write and record their own radio stories. In the second week, students spend two days working on the production of "The Country Hour" and three days involved with a ABC Radio Adelaide program. Whilst in ABC Radio Adelaide, students may be involved in research, talkback calls, program preparation assistance, program production, shadowing and developing program briefing documents.

How to apply: To be considered for this Internship, you will need to prepare a cover letter and resume, outlining why you would like to participate in this program.

# BtN (Behind the News) Work Experience Program

The BtN Work Experience Program is open to final year students currently enrolled in a Bachelor of Journalism or similar course of study, ideally with an interest in children's programming and news.

The Work Experience is a structured, two-week program based at our ABC Collinswood site. Students are involved in the whole process of program-making from story idea and planning to scripting, filming and broadcast. Activities can include script writing, voiceovers, school visits, assisting with field shoots, editing and story ideas.

# Regional Work Experience Placements

Regional Work Experience Placements are open to students currently enrolled in a Bachelor of Journalism course at UniSA, a Bachelor of Media (with Journalism specification) at University of Adelaide or a similar course.

There are many opportunities to complete a week of Work Experience in one of our regional stations located at Broken Hill, Renmark, Mt Gambier, Port Pirie and Port Lincoln.

The placement will consist of working on locally produced radio programs and radio news as well as opportunities to work with ABC Open producers. Work Experience in regional locations provides students with the opportunity to work across a wide range of stories and platforms and may include involvement in research, talkback calls, program preparation assistance, program production, shadowing and developing program briefing documents. Students will be required to source their own accommodation and travel to the regional station at their own cost. Placements are available throughout the year and can be flexible based on the availability of the student and the needs and workload of the station involved.



How to apply: To apply for a placement in one of these areas, please ensure you attach a cover letter which clearly states your study area and type of placement you are seeking.

# Secondary Students

Due to the ABC's commitment to the tertiary Internships and Work Experience programs outlined above, we are unable to offer Work Experience placements for Secondary students at the Adelaide, Collinswood site.

If you are located in one of our regional areas (as listed above) there are limited one-week places available.

How to apply: To apply for a placement in one of these areas, please ensure you attach a cover letter which clearly states the location you are seeking.

# Victoria

ABC International Development: ABC International Development offers support, advice and expertise in media development and communication for development in the Pacific and Mekong regions.

The placement will be related to media and communication research in developing countries. Students specialising in media, communications & development studies with an interest in the Pacific region are recommended to apply for these placements. The placements are project based and will run for a period of 3-4 weeks, depending on the duration of the project.

ABC Radio Melbourne: ABC VIC (part of Capital City Network) Each capital city station keeps the metropolitan audience up-to-date with local news and events as well as what's happening in national and international affairs. The program provides hands on experience in all aspects of content making such as producing daily radio shows, writing local news bulletins, online publishing, social media etc. ABC Regional & Rural network of 44 bureaux across Australia keep regional and rural Australians informed on the issues that matter to them. The regional team also provides insights into regional issues for national and international audiences.

ABC Regional & Local provides work experience at many of its network stations around the state.

Victorian Stations are in Ballarat, Bendigo, Horsham, Mildura, Sale, Shepparton, Warrnambool & Wodonga.



How to apply: When applying for work experience please specify your preferred station in your cover letter. Local High School students with an interest in Media, Communications, the Arts, Journalism or a career in Broadcast Media and Content Making are encouraged to apply. We also welcome tertiary students studying Communications, Journalism, Media Studies etc.

Classic FM: ABC Classic FM can offer a limited number of opportunities each year to observe live music recordings and broadcasts. Placements are available only to tertiary students of music, music recording and engineering backgrounds. Students seeking placements with ABC Classic FM should also have an extensive background and interest in classical music. Availability is subject to network production schedules.

**Approximate duration**: Placements may be over several days, either in a single block or spread over a longer period.

News Resources – Studio Operations: Studio Operations can offer placements to final year students studying a media-related degree or TAFE certificate. The course should be geared towards studio operations. Placements go for a duration of 1 week, with students being placed with ABC News Studio Directors, with all experience being conducted under the supervision of the Studio Director. Students will be involved in preparation of the studio facilities and equipment such as automated cameras, vision mixer, Chyron graphics system, studio floor and studio control room. live on air students will also receive exposure to communicating with MCR and remote talent, framing automated cameras, as well as creating graphics using Adobe Photoshop and Chyron in the newsroom.

**TV Operations**: TV Operations has a limited number of placements and only accepts tertiary students studying in a related field. Placements offered are in all areas associated with the technical operations involved in TV production: studio operations, outside broadcast operations, field/camera and sound operations.

**TV Production**: TV Production offers a limited number of placements to tertiary students. Tertiary students are selected and placed based on their field of study. Please note that placements are also dependant on the production schedule of each program.

News, Analysis & Investigations: News, Analysis & Investigations offers placements to tertiary students in their final year of study. Students in their final year of degrees focussed on Journalism and Media, Media and Communications, Arts/ Politics/ Humanities, Business and Business Journalism are encouraged to apply.



Approximate duration: Placements run for a two-week period with the placement offering exposure to some or all the following elements: Journalist shadowing, story production, writing and story construction, audio editing for news radio, conducting interviews and filming from the field.

At present ABC News, Analysis & Investigations accepts students that are a part of our pre-approved placement programs through various Universities. Contact your course co-ordinator to confirm that your educational institution is a part of this program.

# Tasmania

ABC Radio Hobart: ABC TAS (part of Capital City Network) Each capital city station keeps the metropolitan audience up-to-date with local news and events as well as what's happening in national and international affairs. The program provides hands on experience in all aspects of content making such as producing daily radio shows, writing local news bulletins, online publishing, social media etc. ABC Regional & Rural network of 44 bureaux across Australia keep regional and rural Australians informed on the issues that matter to them. The regional team also provides insights into regional issues for national and international audiences.

ABC Regional and Rural provides work experience at many of its network stations around the state.

Tasmanian Stations are in Burnie and Launceston.

How to apply: When applying for work experience please specify your preferred station in your cover letter. Local High School students with an interest in Media, Communications, the Arts, Journalism or a career in Broadcast Media and Content Making are encouraged to apply. We also welcome tertiary students studying Communications, Journalism, Media studies etc.

News, Analysis & Investigations: News, Analysis & Investigations offers placements to tertiary students in their final year of study. Students in their final year of degrees focussed on Journalism and Media, Media and Communications, Arts/ Politics/ Humanities, Science, Business and Business Journalism are encouraged to apply.

Approximate duration: Placements run for a two-week period with the placement offering exposure to some or all the following elements: Journalist shadowing, story production, writing and story construction, audio editing for news radio, conducting interviews and filming from the field.



# Queensland

Applications will be assessed based on departmental availability, only tertiary students will be considered.

Please note that Queensland News, Analysis & Investigations does not accept work experience participants. A separate program has been arranged in conjunction with Queensland Universities. For more information please ask your University.

**How to apply**: For your application to be considered, please attach a cover letter outlining the areas and location in which you are interested.

#### Western Australia

**How to apply**: For your application to be considered, please attach a cover letter outlining why you are interested.

Placements are available for High School students.

# Northern Territory

ABC NT provides the opportunity for a limited number of work experience placements each year in our Alice Springs and Darwin offices.

Work experience is available in the following areas: ABC Radio Darwin, ABC Regional, ABC News, Analysis & Investigations, ABC News Operations (which includes news camera, video editing and TV studio operations) and ABC Technical Services (supporting technical broadcast and IT infrastructure).

Applications are assessed according to applicant suitability and divisional availability. Priority is generally given to students studying a related discipline, such as Media Studies and Communication.

Approximate duration: Work experience is usually for a period of one week.

How to apply: For your application to be considered, please attach a cover letter outlining the areas and location in which you are interested.

Placements are available for High School students.