

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Australian Broadcasting Corporation

| Label | Description |
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| Position Title: | JOURNALIST, REPORTER |
| Position no: | 30005080 |
| Team: | [News] |
| Department: | Reporting Team 1 |
| Location: | Collinswood |
| Reports to: | JOURNALIST (NEWSGATHERING AM/PM) 50054168 |
| Classification: | Content Maker |
| Schedule: | [Schedule B] |
| Roster cycle | [2 Week Rostered] |
| Band/level: | [Band 6] |
| HR Endorsement: | 17/04/2024 |

Purpose

The SA Investigative Reporter will utilise a range of contacts, sources, and investigative techniques to break news for local and national audiences across digital and broadcast platforms.

Key Accountabilities

- With limited direction, generate exclusive South Australian stories utilising a wide network of contacts, trusted sources, research, data, and open-source intelligence (OSINT) techniques.
- Break high-quality and high-impact original News stories of significant impact to South Australian and national audiences.
- Under limited direction, write concise and accurate copy and scripts, using creative storytelling techniques. Demonstrate advanced media production and presentation skills.
- Maintain knowledge of current production methods, software, and online reporting tools.
- Work collaboratively, sharing experience and knowledge across the wider SA News team.
- Play an active role planning and executing cross-format projects with other ABC teams and bureaus.
- Manage your time and that of colleagues in production situations when required. Exhibit highlevel communication skills. Take direction and offer guidance and leadership.

- Identify and manage editorial risks, working closely with News Leaders and ABC Legal to manage those accordingly. Proactively follow ABC editorial and corporate policy.
- 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 to find and tell stories that are relevant for them and in line with the News strategy.
- 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. Proven experience and advanced ability as an Investigative Reporter in a broadcast, digital or newspaper environment, with a list of sources and contacts to match. Considerable experience breaking exclusive stories that have state-wide impact at the highest levels and hold all levels of government to account.
- 2. Ability to identify key talent and convince sources and contacts to participate in broadcast stories that will help resonate with ABC audiences across a wide demographic.
- 3. Experience writing clear, concise copy and/or broadcast scripts.
- 4. Demonstrated experience delivering complex issues in a way that both engages and informs audiences across a range of broadcast, digital and social platforms. Proven advanced understanding of digital journalism and how audience insights and analytics can inform innovative storytelling.
- 5. High-level communications skills, with an ability to work individually or as part of a wider production team.
- 6. Advanced ability to utilise a variety of production techniques, including long-form digital and interactive presentations.
- 7. Highly advanced ability to manage a range of stakeholder relationships, including collaborations with other ABC News, Analysis & Investigations units, and Regional & Local units across SA.
- 8. The ability to share knowledge and train and mentor junior staff in investigative journalism techniques. Excellent time management skills.
- 9. **ABC Principles:** Demonstrated commitment to the ABC Principles of We are ABC, Straight Talking, People Focused, Accountable and Open & Transparent.
- 10. **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.
- 11. **Diversity and Inclusion:** Ability to communicate effectively and build relationships with people from a range of diverse backgrounds.
- 12. A demonstrated and ongoing interest and passion in finding and telling stories that reflect Australia's diversity.
- 13. A proven ability to source and maintain contacts across the broader Australian community.
- 14. 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.

