



POSITION DESCRIPTION

Australian Broadcasting Corporation

Label	Description
Position Title:	SENIOR JOURNALIST
Position no:	30005236
Team:	[News]
Department:	News NSW
Location:	Ultimo
Reports to:	NEW SOUTH WALES METRO EDITOR 50039785
Classification:	Content Maker
Schedule:	[Schedule B]
Roster cycle	[2 Week Rostered]
Band/level:	[Band 6-7]
HR Endorsement:	18/09/2024

Purpose

Using contacts and sources, break original and exclusive stories for a NSW and national audience across digital and broadcast platforms.

Key Accountabilities

- Utilising contacts and sources, and with limited direction, break stories of significance for a NSW and national audience.
- Write concise and accurate scripts and stories, using creative storytelling techniques for multiplatform audiences. Demonstrate advanced media production and presentation skills.
- Maintain a strong understanding of issues affecting NSW, with relevance to a broader national audience. Stay across editorial and legal advice which may affect those stories.
- Manage your time and that of colleagues in production situations when required. Exhibit high-level communication skills. Take direction and offer guidance and leadership.
- Keep current with production methods, software and reporting tools. Produce programs, platforms or bulletins as required.
- Work collaboratively with the team, sharing experience and knowledge as well as training. Take direction and offer guidance and leadership. Manage your time and that of colleagues in production situations when required.

- Identify and manage editorial risks. Proactively follow newsroom and corporate policy. Deal quickly with complaints and audience contacts.
- 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.
- 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. Relevant tertiary qualifications or demonstrated equivalent skills, knowledge and experience.
2. Considerable independent editorial judgement, with experience generating original, exclusive stories for broadcast and/or digital news outlets. Understanding of legal issues related to the broadcast or publication of crime stories.
3. Highly advanced production and presentation skills. Considerable experience writing for digital and broadcast outlets. Experience producing content for digital and/or broadcast outlets.
4. Significant understanding and awareness of media technology. High level skills with relevant software, production systems and reporting tools.
5. Demonstrated teamwork and communication skills. Ability to communicate well in a newsroom environment. Excellent time management skills.
6. Proven ability to work effectively with colleagues and lead when required. Demonstrated ability to train junior staff effectively.
7. A demonstrated and ongoing interest and passion in finding and telling stories that reflect Australia's diversity.
8. A proven ability to source and maintain contacts across the broader Australian community.
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. **ABC Principles:** Demonstrated commitment to the ABC Principles of We are ABC, Straight Talking, People Focused, Accountable and Open & Transparent.
11. **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.
12. **Diversity and Inclusion:** Ability to communicate effectively and build relationships with people from a range of diverse backgrounds.

