

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Position Title	Darren Osborne Regional Science Cadet	Position No.	50051455
Team	Entertainment & Specialist	Classification	Content Maker
Department	ABC Science Unit	Schedule Roster Cycle	Schedule A 2 Week Rostered
Location	Ultimo	Band / Level	Band 3-4
Reports to	Editor, RN Science and Health [Reporting To (Position No.)]	HR Endorsement	[Endorsement]

Purpose

This is an early career opportunity for an aspiring science journalist from regional Australia. You must have a passion for science and an interest in telling stories that connect with Australians, about anything from astronomy to zoology.

You will spend six months working within ABC's Science Unit, developing your ability to create high quality, compelling content for a variety of ABC platforms including the ABC News website and ABC RN (Radio National). You will work in a supportive environment as you learn to report on the latest scientific research, provide context for scientific developments and issues, and write features that allow a lay audience to understand and appreciate the 'wonders of science'.

Key Accountabilities

- Under routine direction, research, write and produce stories about the latest science research for ABC News digital platforms.
- Create digital and audio content to give audience a better understanding of the background and context of science news stories.
- Develop ideas for science-related stories and projects that have a specific focus on the interests of those living in regional Australia.
- Work with relevant ABC content makers on cross-team science collaborations.
- 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. Demonstrated passion and interest in science or a science-related field; a relevant qualification is an advantage.
- 2. Some experience in digital content production; this may include internships, self-publishing, or working in public, community, university or commercial media.
- 3. Well-developed research and writing skills, good communication skills, and a demonstrated passion for finding and telling stories.
- 4. Proven ability to work as part of a team as well as under minimal supervision. Ability to work under pressure and to tight deadlines.
- 5. Demonstrated understanding of the role the ABC plays in the Australian cultural and media landscape.
- 6. **ABC Principles**: Demonstrated commitment to the ABC Principles of We are ABC, Straight Talking, People Focused, Accountable and Open & Transparent.
- 7. **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.



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8. **Diversity and Inclusion**: Ability to communicate effectively and build relationships with people from a range of diverse backgrounds.

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.