



Thinking about working in Social Work?

If you feel passionate about **helping people** and **aspire to support others and effect social change**, social work could be the career for you.

Did you know?

Social work is one of the fastest growing professions and is highly in-demand both in Australia and globally.

What is a Social Worker?

Social Workers help people face life's challenges and improve their wellbeing. They can be employed in a variety of fields, such as child welfare, education, health, the justice sector or disability services to provide counselling, information and referrals to other services.

What does the job involve?



Licences and regulatory requirements?

- ✓ Blue card
- ✓ NDIS Workers Screening Check
- ✓ Police Check (or Criminal History Check)
- ✓ First Aid Certificate & CPR
- ✓ Vaccinations
- ✓ Membership to the Australian Association of Social Workers

*Organisations' requirements may vary

Skills

Soft	Technical
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Emotional intelligence	Understanding of effective social services delivery methods
Problem-solving skills	Organisational and administration skills
A non-judgemental attitude	Record keeping
Effective communication skills	
Interpersonal skills	

How do I become a Social Worker?

You will need to complete a Bachelor of Social Work, gain additional relevant experience and apply for membership with the Australian Association of Social Workers (AASW). Alternatively, you may wish to consider other roles in the human services sector first and study a certificate or diploma that focuses on a particular area of specialty, rather than the broader degree. Courses include a Certificate IV in Disability (CHC43115), Certificate IV in Youth Work (CHC40413), Certificate IV in Alcohol and Other Drugs (CHC43215), Diploma of Community Services (CHC52015) and a Graduate certificate in Loss, Grief & Trauma Counselling.