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Course, Careers & Campus Information:

VTAC | Pathways – How to get to your chosen course

September 3, 2024

Pathways provide opportunities to use a qualification to get into another course. There may be more than one pathway to the qualification you want, in our webinar we will speak about the different types of pathways and provide some ideas in how you can get to your chosen course if you fall short of entry requirements.

You'll have the opportunity to ask questions throughout!

[Find out more](#)

Youth Aviation Careers Expo

September 14, 2024

Considering a career in aviation or aerospace? Come and talk to professionals from the industry and discover your future career.

Set among the incredible collection of aircraft at the Moorabbin Air Museum, this is a unique opportunity to learn about all aspects of aviation and pathways to achieve your career goals, from pilots to engineers, crew, and more. Also meet the amazing youth and theatre groups that operate from the Museum on the day.

Free entry - bookings essential.

[Find out more](#)

University of Sydney | Online Open Night

September 19, 2024

Domestic students living in regional or interstate areas are invited to the University of Sydney's online Open Night.

Find out about the new Regional and Remote Entry Scheme, the single scholarship application process, and other University of Sydney highlights.

You'll then have the chance to join dedicated breakout rooms and chat with staff from our faculties, admissions, scholarships, and accommodation, and have all your questions answered about life in Sydney.

[Find out more](#)

Monash | VCE Revision Lectures

September 23 to September 26, 2024

Completing VCE? Monash Science is excited to support students currently studying VCE through a series of on-campus revision lectures. These sessions are designed to reinforce key concepts in the curriculum and will be delivered by a qualified VCE teacher with extensive experience in their subject.

Time: 9.30 am -4.30 pm

Maths Methods: Monday 23 September

Biology: Tuesday 24 September

Physics: Wednesday 25 September

Chemistry: Thursday 26 September

[Find out more](#)

Study:

Top university courses for book lovers

If you're a bookworm who dreams of turning your love for reading into a career, you're in luck. Universities offer a wide range of courses tailored to book lovers like you, so you can have a fulfilling and interesting study load at uni with the promise of a career in something you love at the end of it.

Whether you're interested in literature, writing, publishing, or librarianship, there's a course out there that can help you follow your passion.

Types of courses for book lovers

There are several types of university courses that are perfect for people who love books. Let's explore some of the most popular ones:

Literature courses

Literature courses are ideal for those who enjoy analysing texts, exploring different genres, and diving deep into the world of fiction, poetry, and drama. You'll study the works of famous authors, learn about literary history, and develop critical thinking skills. This kind of degree could lead to a wide range of job options in fields such as Journalism, Publishing, Writing, Media, and Communications (among many more). Here are some popular courses at different universities that you could take a look at.

- Bachelor of Arts ([Literature&Theatre Studies](#)) – *University of Melbourne (AUS)*
- Bachelor of Arts ([English and Literary Studies](#)) – *University of Western Australia (AUS)*
- Bachelor of Arts ([English](#)) – *University of Sydney (AUS)*
- Bachelor of Arts ([English Language and Literature](#)) – *University of Oxford (U.K)*
- Bachelor of Arts ([English](#)) – *University of London (U.K)*
- Bachelor of Arts ([English Literature](#)) – *Princeton University (U.S.A)*
- Bachelor of Arts ([English](#)) – *The University of Arizona (U.S.A)*
- Bachelor of Arts ([English](#)) – *University of Otago (N.Z)*
- Bachelor of Arts ([English Literature](#)) – *University of Waikato (N.Z)*
- Bachelor of Arts Honours ([English](#)) – *Nanyang Technological University (Singapore)*

Creative writing courses

If you have a flair for storytelling and dream of becoming a writer, creative writing courses are for you. These programs teach you how to craft compelling stories, develop characters, and refine your writing style across different genres.

- Bachelor of Arts ([Creative Writing](#)) – *University of Southern Queensland (AUS)*
- Bachelor of Arts ([Creative Writing](#)) – *RMIT University (AUS)*
- Bachelor of Creative Arts ([Creative Writing](#)) – *Flinders University (AUS)*
- Bachelor of Arts Honours ([Creative Writing](#)) – *University of Brighton (U.K)*
- Bachelor of Arts Honours ([Creative Writing](#)) – *University of Sussex*
- Bachelor of Arts ([Creative Writing](#)) – *Oakland University (U.S.A)*
- Bachelor of Arts ([Creative Writing](#)) – *The University of Arizona (U.S.A)*
- Bachelor of Arts ([Creative Writing](#)) – *Massey University (N.Z)*
- Bachelor of Arts ([Creative Writing](#)) – *Auckland University of Technology (N.Z)*
- Masters ([Creative Writing](#)) – *University of the Arts Singapore (S.G)*

Publishing & Editing courses

Publishing and editing courses are perfect for those who want to be involved in the process of bringing books to life. You'll learn about the publishing industry, from editing manuscripts to designing book covers and marketing books to readers, and there are a ton of different jobs in the publishing industry that a degree like this could lead to.

- Bachelor of Arts ([Professional Writing & Publishing](#)) – *Curtin University (AUS)*
- Bachelor of Creative Arts ([Publishing](#)) – *Deakin University (AUS)*
- Bachelor of Arts ([Creative Writing and Publishing](#)) – *University of the Sunshine Coast (AUS)*
- Bachelor of Arts Honours ([Creative Writing and Publishing](#)) – *University of Derby (U.K)*
- Bachelor of Arts Honours ([Publishing](#)) – *University for the Creative Arts (U.K)*
- Bachelor of Arts ([Editing and Publishing](#)) – *Brigham Young University (U.S.A)*
- Bachelor of Arts ([Publishing and Editing](#)) – *Susquehanna University (U.S.A)*
- Bachelor of Communications ([Editing and Publishing elective](#)) – *Massey University (N.Z)*
- Graduate Diploma in [Publishing \(Applied\)](#) – *Whitireia and WelTec, Te Auaha (N.Z)*
- [FlexiMasters in Publishing](#) – *Nanyang Technological University (Singapore)*

Librarianship & Information Studies courses

For those who love the idea of working in a library, librarianship and information studies courses teach you how to manage collections, assist readers, and work with digital resources. These programs are perfect if you want to spend your days surrounded by

books – keep in mind though that most are post-graduate courses, and have a pretty definitive end goal (ie: becoming a librarian).

- Bachelor of Information Studies ([Librarianship Specialisation](#)) – *Charles Sturt University (AUS)*
- Diploma of [Library and Information Services](#) – *Swinburne University of Technology (AUS)*
- Master of [Information Science](#)– *Curtin University (AUS)*
- Master of [Library and Information Studies](#) – *University College London (U.K)*
- Masters of Science ([Information Management](#)) – *University of Sheffield (U.K)*
- Bachelor of Arts ([Information Science and Arts](#)) – *The University of Arizona (U.S.A)*
- Master of [Library and Information Science](#) – *Kent State University (USA)*
- Master of [Information Studies](#) – *Victoria University of Wellington (N.Z)*
- [Library and Information Studies Course](#) – *Open Polytechnic (N.Z)*
- Master of Science ([Information Studies](#)) – *Nanyang Technological University (Singapore)*

Journalism & Media courses

If you love books and have a knack for writing, Journalism and Media studies could be a great fit. These programs teach you how to write and report on a wide range of topics, including book reviews, author interviews, and literary news. This is a great course for fluid and creative people who could see themselves in a range of different roles in the future.

- Bachelor of Communication ([Journalism](#)) – *University of Queensland (AUS)*
- Bachelor of [Journalism](#) – *Monash University (Aus)*
- Bachelor of Media and Communication ([Journalism](#)) – *Deakin University (AUS)*
- Bachelor of Arts Honours ([Journalism](#)) – *London Metropolitan University (U.K)*
- Bachelor of Arts ([Media](#)) – *University College London (U.K)*
- Bachelor of Science ([Media, Culture and Communication](#)) – *New York University (U.S.A)*
- Bachelor of [Journalism](#) – *Missouri State University (U.S.A)*
- Bachelor of Arts ([Media Studies](#)) – *Massey University (N.Z)*
- Bachelor of Communication Studies ([Journalism](#)) – *Auckland University of Technology (N.Z)*
- Bachelor of Science Honours ([Digital Communications and Integrated Media](#)) – *Singapore Institute of Technology (S.G)*

Find your perfect course

These are just a few examples of the types of courses available to book lovers in Australia. Each university offers its own unique approach, so it's worth exploring different programs to find the one that suits your interests and career goals.

Explore more options

Don't forget, many universities offer combined degrees, allowing you to mix and match courses like Literature and Creative Writing, or Journalism and Media Studies. You can also consider postgraduate options if you want to specialise further or advance your career.

Start your journey today

Ready to find the perfect course? Check out online databases like [Course Seeker](#) or [The Uni Guide](#) to explore all the different options available at universities. Otherwise, you can visit university websites directly to learn more about their specific programs for book lovers.

No matter which course you choose, you'll be taking the first step towards turning your love for books into a rewarding career. If you want to start your journey today, we have heaps more helpful articles about higher education and life after high school for you [here](#).

[How to annotate books for assignments](#)

If you're finding it tough to keep track of key points, quotes, or themes when reading books for assignments, annotating could be the game-changer you need. Annotating is all about making notes in the margins, underlining important parts, or highlighting key phrases as you read. It helps you engage with the text and makes it easier to find important information when you need it.

Let's break down how to do it step by step.

Get prepared

Before you start, you'll need a few basic tools. Grab some sticky notes, highlighters, pens, and, of course, your book. If you don't want to write directly in your book, transparent sticky notes are a great alternative.

Step 1: Read with purpose

First, think about why you're reading the book. Is it for an essay, a test, or class discussion? Knowing this will help you focus on what's important as you read. For example, if you're writing an essay on themes of gender roles, you'll want to pay extra attention to parts of the book where the author introduces [characterisation](#).

Step 2: Mark important parts

As you read, use your highlighter to mark key quotes, ideas, or sections that stand out. You might highlight a sentence that sums up a character's personality or a paragraph that introduces a major theme. If you're using sticky notes, jot down why you think that part is important and stick it on the page.

Step 3: Make notes in the margins

When something grabs your attention or sparks an idea, write a quick note in the margin. For example, if a character makes a tough decision, you could write "Character struggles with their morals" next to that section. These notes will help you remember your thoughts later when you're writing your assignment.

Step 4: Create a system

To make your annotations even more useful, try creating a system. You could use different coloured highlighters for different themes or types of information. For example, use pink for character development, blue for themes, and yellow for important quotes. This will make it super easy to find exactly what you're looking for when you're reviewing the book.

Step 5: Review your annotations

After you've finished reading, go back through your annotations. Look for patterns or connections that you might not have noticed at first, and write these down. This is where your hard work pays off – your annotations will help you see the bigger picture and give you lots of material for your assignments.

Why annotating helps

Annotating your books isn't just about making your reading more interactive – it's also a huge time-saver when it comes to writing essays or studying for exams. You won't have to flip through hundreds of pages to find that perfect quote or piece of evidence; it'll already be highlighted or noted down.

Plus, annotating helps improve your understanding of the text. By actively engaging with the material, you're more likely to remember it and develop deeper insights, which will definitely show in your assignments.

Give it a try

If you've never tried annotating before, it might take a little practice to get the hang of it. But once you do, you'll wonder how you ever managed without it. So, grab your highlighters and sticky notes, and start making your books work for you.

And if you're looking for more study tips and tricks, be sure to check out our website [here](#) – we've got heaps more advice to help you succeed in school.

Job Spotlight:

[How to become a Book Editor](#)

Do you have a passion for reading and a keen eye for detail? Do you want to be part of the process that brings books to life? If so, a career as a Book Editor might be perfect for you.

A Book Editor's job is to help shape a manuscript into its best possible version, ensuring that the content is clear, engaging, and free of errors. They work closely with authors to refine their work, providing feedback on structure, style, and grammar. Book Editors play a critical role in the publishing process, turning raw manuscripts into polished books ready for readers.

What skills do I need as a Book Editor?

- Excellent command of language
- Strong attention to detail

- Critical thinking
- Creativity
- Patience & perseverance
- Effective communication
- Ability to give constructive feedback
- Time management

What does the job involve?

- Reviewing manuscripts for content, structure, and style
- Collaborating with authors to develop and refine their work
- Correcting grammatical, punctuation, and spelling errors
- Ensuring consistency in tone and style
- Fact-checking and verifying accuracy
- Working with proofreaders, typesetters, and designers
- Meeting deadlines and managing multiple projects
- Staying updated with industry trends and standards

What industries do Book Editors typically work in?

- Arts & Recreation Services
- Information Media & Telecommunications
- Education & Training

What Career Cluster do Book Editors belong to?

Lots of Editors belong to the [Informers](#) Career Cluster. They often have a deep love for literature and language, coupled with the analytical skills needed to improve a manuscript. [Informers](#) also thrive when using their skills and knowledge to support and guide other people – which is basically the job description of a Book Editor.

The role also often attracts [Innovators](#), because of their high levels of creativity and tendency to combine functionality and aesthetics – something very important when making sure a book is compelling *and* readable.

What kind of lifestyle can I expect?

As a Book Editor, you can expect a mix of solitary and collaborative work. Much of your time will be spent reading and editing manuscripts, which can be done remotely or in an office. The job often involves tight deadlines, especially in the final stages of the publishing process, so good time management is essential.

The work hours can vary depending on the publishing cycle, with some editors working long hours to meet deadlines. While the job can be demanding, many editors find it deeply rewarding to see a book they've worked on come to life.

How to become a Book Editor

To become a Book Editor, there are several pathways you can take, depending on your interests and background.

1. **Education:** A degree in [English](#), [Communications](#), [Journalism](#), or a related field is often preferred, and having a higher education is definitely a plus in this saturated job market.
2. **Experience:** Gaining experience through [internships](#), freelance editing, or working in related fields like journalism or copywriting is really important. This hands-on experience will help you build a strong portfolio, and shoot your hiring potential through the roof.
3. **Skills Development:** Strong language skills are a must. Consider taking courses in [editing](#), [grammar](#), or [creative writing](#) to hone your abilities.
4. **Networking:** Building connections within the publishing industry can open doors to editing opportunities. Attend [literary events](#), join [professional organisations](#), and [network](#) with authors, publishers, and other editors.
5. **Entry-Level Positions:** Start with entry-level positions such as Editorial Assistant or Copy Editor. These roles provide valuable experience and can lead to more senior editing positions over time.

We're not going to sugar-coat it; publishing is a very competitive industry, and becoming a Book Editor in particular is a highly coveted role. It's likely you'll have to face a bit of rejection in your journey, but that's ok! If you keep at it and don't get discouraged, there are many pathways that can lead you to becoming a Book Editor. It's all about hard work and dedication to your dream job. Remember, even [J.K Rowling](#) was turned down by 12 publishers before managing to publish Harry Potter, which would go on to become the most acclaimed children's book of all time.

What can I do right now if I'm interested in this career?

If you're currently in high school and considering a career as a Book Editor, here are some steps to help you explore the profession:

- **Read widely and write regularly:** Immerse yourself in a variety of genres and styles to develop a strong sense of language and storytelling, and practice writing and editing your own work as preparation for your future career.
- **Work on your school newspaper or literary magazine:** This is a great way to gain experience in editing and writing, and looks awesome on your resume.
- **Seek out internships:** Look for internships or volunteer opportunities with local publishers, literary journals, or media outlets to gain hands-on experience that publishing companies highly value.

Where can I find out more?

Find out more here:

- [Institute of Professional Editors](#)
- [Canberra Society of Editors](#)
- [Editors Canada](#)
- [Association of Freelance Editors, Proofreaders and Indexers](#)
- [Society of Writers, Editors and Translators \(Japan\)](#)
- [Chartered Institute of Editing and Proofreading](#)
- [The Society for Editing \(ACES\)](#)
- [Chicago Women in Publishing](#)
- [Editorial Freelancers Association](#)

Similar careers to Book Editor

- Literary Agent
- [Copywriter](#)
- [Journalist](#)
- Technical Writer
- Publisher
- [Author](#)

Find out more about alternative careers [here](#).

[10 jobs for people who love reading](#)

If you love getting lost in a good book, chances are you're the imaginative type, and want a fun job that reflects that. Reading can be a fantastic hobby, but did you know it could also lead to a cool career?

Whether you're into fiction, non-fiction, or even comic books, there are jobs out there where your love of reading can really pay off. Here are 10 awesome jobs for people who love reading.

1. Librarian

Librarians are living the dream – they get to spend their days surrounded by books, and helping connect others to their passion. Their job involves helping people find the information they need, recommending great reads, and organising all the books in the library. If you love reading and helping others discover new books, this might be the perfect job for you.

How to get there: To become a librarian, you normally need to study information science, which means either a VET qualification in [Library and Information Services](#), or more commonly a uni degree in [Information Studies](#). Most librarians have a degree in this field, plus of course a passion for books and reading.

2. Book Editor

Book Editors work closely with authors to make sure their stories are the best they can be. They read manuscripts, suggest changes, and help authors improve their work. If you love reading and have a keen eye for detail, being a Book Editor could be your dream job.

How to get there: A degree in [English](#), [Journalism](#), or [Communications](#) can help you get started. Strong reading and writing skills are also a must. For a step-by-step, check out our guide on [How to become a Book Editor](#).

3. Bookstore Owner

Imagine owning a cozy bookstore filled with all your favourite reads, where everyone you meet is there because of a love of books. Bookstore owners run their own shops, choose which books to sell, and often get to talk to customers about their favourite books all day. If you love reading and want to share that passion with others, this could be a great fit for you.

How to get there: Experience working in a [bookstore](#) can help, and you'll need some business know-how (like a [Certificate IV in Entrepreneurship and New Business](#)) to run your own shop.

4. Book Reviewer

Are you super opinionated about the books you read? Book reviewers get paid to read books and share their opinions. They write reviews for newspapers, magazines,

websites, or even their own blogs. If you love reading and enjoy sharing your thoughts on books, this job could be perfect for you.

How to get there: Start by writing reviews for fun on your own blog or social media, build a readership, then start submitting your reviews to publications. With practice and dedication, you could turn your passion into a life-long career.

5. Literary Agent

Literary agents are like the agents you've probably heard about in the film industry, except they help authors get their books published instead of helping actors find jobs. They read manuscripts, choose the ones they think will be successful, and then find a publisher to make it happen and negotiate with them on your behalf. If you love reading, are a people person, and have a good sense of what makes a book great, being a literary agent could be right up your alley.

How to get there: Normally you'll need a minimum of a bachelors degree in a relevant field like [English](#) or [Communications](#) in order to become a Literary Agent. Then, it's all about business and networking, which is why most Literary Agents start out by working in publishing companies.

6. Translator

If you're bilingual and love reading, being a translator could be a fantastic job. Translators take books written in one language and translate them into another, making stories accessible to a wider audience.

How to get there: You'll need to be fluent in at least two languages and might need a degree in [Translation](#) or [Linguistics](#).

7. Comic Book Writer

If you love reading comic books, why not be part of creating them? Comic book creators write stories, design characters, and bring those characters to life with art. Whether you focus on writing, drawing, or both, working in comics could be a dream job for you.

How to get there: Practice your writing or drawing skills, and consider a degree in [Creative Writing](#) or [Graphic Design](#). These days, lots of universities also offer courses that are specific to the art of comic books, like this [BA in Comic & Concept Art](#), or this course in [Comics and Sequential Storytelling](#). You can also start by creating your own comics online.

8. Archivist

Archivists work in libraries, museums, and other institutions to preserve old books, documents, and manuscripts. They make sure important pieces of history are kept safe and organised for future generations to enjoy.

How to get there: A degree in [History](#) or [Information Studies](#), plus a postgrad degree in [Archival Studies](#), is typically required for this highly specialised role. If you love reading and history, this job could be absolutely perfect for you.

9. Ghostwriter

Ghostwriters write books, articles, or blogs for other people, and usually stay anonymous for it (ie: it won't be your name on the work that's published). If you love reading and writing but don't mind someone else getting the credit, ghostwriting could be a fun way to use your skills.

How to get there: Strong writing skills and experience in writing are key, so start by writing your own stories or helping others with theirs. Most ghostwriters also start off as freelance writers, so this is another pathway to keep in mind.

10. Audiobook Narrator

If you have a great voice and love reading out loud, being an audiobook narrator could be a cool job for you. You'll get paid to read books and bring the characters and stories to life for listeners who might not be able to access the typical format of the written word.

How to get there: Practice reading out loud and consider taking [voice acting classes](#). You might also need to create a [demo reel](#) to show off your voice.

Want more?

Loving books doesn't just have to be a hobby—there are plenty of careers where you can turn your passion for reading into a job. Whether you want to work directly with books or help others enjoy them, there's something out there for every book lover.

If you want more, we have heaps of [alternative careers](#) and tips about the world of work on our website [here](#).

Industry growth and how it affects your plans

We have a range of different industries in Australia, and they're all different – while some industries focus on caring for our health, for example, others construct our homes, or keep us entertained. Each industry employs a different number of people; the largest industry, Health Care and Social Assistance, employs over 2.2 million people, which is nearly 8 times as much as mining, one of the smaller industries at only 300,000 people.

Industries are also growing at different rates. So, for example, while we'll need lots more educators in the next 5 years, industries like manufacturing are growing at a much slower rate.

Not sure why this matters? Well, you'll be entering a competitive and dynamic job market, and understanding the field is essential if you want to win the game.

There are two key reasons why you need to think about this:

1. You'll be more in-demand in a growth industry – which can translate to higher pay, better benefits, and more options for growth.
2. Going into a shrinking industry requires a Plan B – you might need a backup plan and a broad skill base so you can be flexible and go where the jobs are.

Short-term shortage vs long-term demand

There's been a lot of talk lately about skills shortages and in-demand roles, but not all 'shortages' are the same. We often see problems with supply and demand in industries where skill shortages lead to massive recruitment campaigns, and five years down the track there are too many applicants. A big push to get people to study a specific qualification may lead to too many job seekers and not enough work to go around.

Some of the jobs most in demand right now are also ones which are rapidly being automated. Take mining, as an example; we still need more miners, but many mining jobs are being automated, particularly the lower skilled ones. The industry is changing too, so a lot of the 'dirty' mining jobs in coal are being phased out (and if they're not, they will be soon).

What about the industries you're interested in?

There's often a mismatch between the number of students who want to work in an industry and the number of roles on offer. We've taken a look at current industry statistics and compared them to the industries Year 10 students expect to work in by the time they turn 30 (sources: [GENERATION survey](#), April 2023; [Labour Market Insights](#), August 2024).

Arts and Recreation

- Percentage of Year 10 students who expect to go into the field: 10.3%
- Percentage of people who actually work in the field: 1.9%

This means that nearly 9 out of 10 students who want to go into Arts and Recreation will end up somewhere else. The upside is that this industry is getting larger, with expected to growth of 11.1% by 2028.

To improve your odds of finding your way in this industry, consider developing skills such as management or entrepreneurship. People who work as visual arts professionals and sportspeople, for example, make up just 10% of the entire industry; the majority work in roles where they use their skills and knowledge to inspire, coordinate, and teach others.

Professional, Scientific and Technical Services

- Percentage of Year 10 students who expect to go into the field: ~29%
- Percentage of people who actually work in the field: 9.2%

This is another field that has lots of aspiring future professionals, but nearly half end up working in a different industry. It was also the most popular choice for both male and non-binary students. It includes things like engineering, law, computing, science, and research.

The great thing about qualifications for these jobs is that they are highly transferrable – even if you don't end up working in one of these specific industries, it's very likely you can use your skills and knowledge to find work in a similar field, such as public service, telecommunications, and business.

Finance, Business and Administration

- Percentage of Year 10 students who expect to go into the field: 5.3%
- Percentage of people who actually work in the field: 8.3%

For every 10 people in this field, 5 of them didn't expect to work in it when they were in Year 10. But the thing is that we need *a lot* of people to manage and administer the myriad of businesses that exist – in fact, there are over 17,000 active businesses in Australia alone.

This field employs many people in regional areas and usually offers lots of flexibility when it comes to remote work. While most Year 10 students aren't thinking about a career in business, high industry growth and wide availability means they can expect to find a job without too much difficulty.

Construction

- Percentage of Year 10 students who expect to go into the field: 2.1%
- Percentage of people who actually work in the field: 9.5%

The construction industry is the second largest employer in the country, yet only 2.1% of Year 10 students see themselves working in it.

One of the main misconceptions about the construction industry is that all of the jobs require you to do a trade or involve lots of physical work. But there are also many roles available in management and admin too, as well as more creative careers like architecture. And even if you start out as a tradesperson, this often opens doors for management and business ownership opportunities down the track.

Health Care and Social Assistance

- Percentage of Year 10 students who expect to go into the field: 18%
- Percentage of people who actually work in the field: 15.7%

Health is not only the largest employing industry, it's also the fastest growing, and expects 25.2% growth by 2028. In fact, more people are employed in Health than in Agriculture, Mining, Arts, and Finance combined.

Interestingly, only 2.2% of Year 10 students wanted to work as Carers or Aides – but these jobs make up nearly a quarter of the jobs available in the health industry. There are many options in health, so take some time to consider all the different pathways and sub-industries. Also consider expanding your skill set to include technical skills like project management, administration, or even data analysis, which could take you into emerging fields in the future.

Don't be disheartened

If these statistics are making you rethink your future choices, we have some good news too. And that is that you can find varied roles of almost any kind in any industry.

Passionate about graphic design? Use those skills as an advertising agent for a financial company.

Want to work in nature? A job as an outdoor educator could be ideal.

Love helping others be healthy? Share your passion through nutritious food as a chef.

Have a flair for coding? You could manage the IT systems at a major hospital.

The number of people in an industry doesn't necessarily reflect the exact role they're working in either. For example, if you're a freelance artist who runs your own business, you might be reported as working in the Business and Administration industry instead of the Arts and Recreation industry. And more general roles such as clerks, salespeople, and technicians are available in nearly every industry.

Besides, if you're still in high school, you definitely don't need to have your whole life mapped out by now. Lots of things can change no matter how well prepared you think you are, and that's OK. It's normal to [work in a variety of careers and jobs](#) over your lifetime, so don't stress if things turn out a little different to what you expected.

Learn more

You can explore more resources on the world of work on our website [here](#).

Curious about matching your strengths and skills to your future career? Find out which [Career Cluster](#) you're in and start exploring your options.