Local Links to Industry

My Future

One day workshops for students

About the My Future Program
The My Future website is Australia's career information and exploration service. Western Student Connections can offer your school and students two one-day My Future workshops in which students are taken through the activities available on the site, and encouraged to develop a career plan along the way.

Students will need individual access to the internet for each workshop. Each workshop is designed for groups of ten students, preferably in Year 9, 10 or 11. Workshops may be adapted for smaller groups of at-risk or disengaged students.

Workshop 1 may include:

1. What is a Career?
What could your career include?
Why do people work?
Exploring the world of work
What is the world of work like?

2. Discover what career paths are available
Students explore career options and find out what they need to know to achieve their career goals.
What is a career pathway?
University, VET or an apprenticeship?
I'm heading straight to work, looking to start a business, looking to work overseas or keen to take a gap year.

3. Explore different occupations
Understanding the labour market and identifying skills and interests can lead students to a successful career.
Explore different occupations
Find out how your interests can lead to a job
Let's discover what you're good at
How you can find an occupation with good job prospects
Browse occupations by A–Z
Latest labour market information

4. My career profile
My career profile can help you to uncover occupations of interest and explore the experiences, education and training, and other requirements necessary to get started in these occupations.
Once you have completed one activity, My career profile will start showing you the occupations that match your details.
As you do more activities, the detail in your profile increases and the selection of occupations will match your interests and skills more closely.

5. My current skills and attributes
Develop a list of employability skills and personal attributes you use in all areas of your life, including paid and unpaid work, and school.
Workshop 2 may include:

1. Prepare to apply for jobs
   Find out what you need to do to succeed in your job search.
   Find tips for writing a resume and cover letter, addressing selection criteria and presenting yourself well to employers.
   Start your job search
   Tips for responding to job advertisements
   Create a resume that stands out
   Writing a cover letter
   Responding to key selection criteria
   Job interview tips
   How to market yourself
   How to accept job offers

2. What can I expect in my new job?
   Starting a new job can be an exciting experience, but it can also be quite stressful as you learn the ins and outs.
   Find out what you need to know to help you start that new job.
   Moving from study to work
   What your employer expects of you
   Settling into your new job
   Your rights and responsibilities

3. How work experience can help your career
   Find out how work experience and volunteering can help you explore what you like to do and advance your career.
   What is work experience all about?
   How to find work experience
   How volunteering can help you get a job

4. Talking to people about careers
   Talking to people about their career can help you to discover industries and occupations you may not know much about.
   Connect with people in industry
   Get help from family, teachers and peers

5. Do training or study in your chosen field
   Search for a course or training opportunity and find out about support services to help you improve your career through learning.
   Find a course or programme
   Finding out about post-school study?
   Applying for courses and training
   What qualifications will I need?
   Getting an Australian apprenticeship
   What scholarships and financial support exist?
   Find an education and training provider
   Study and employment for people with disabilities
   I want to study overseas

Fee for Service:
If you are interested in either of these workshops, please contact Western Student Connections to negotiate a program to suit your student group.