



Why Study Community Services and Youth Work?

Community Work is a life-giving career which enriches both the giver and receiver. These graduates have the common goal of wanting to make the world a better place. This mantra keeps Community Work graduates motivated, and sees them edging towards this goal daily – one situation at a time.

Community Work graduates work with people of all ages helping them during sometimes challenging and stressful times in their lives. Women's refuges, hospitals, drug rehabilitation centres, community houses are some typical workplaces for the graduate. Community development projects in local government also offer interesting and diverse opportunities.

Why study Community Services and Youth Work at West Coast TAFE?

- West Coast TAFE Community Work graduates are in great demand and many students gain employment through their supervised field placement
- Courses are 'multi-mode' with classroom facilitation combined with hands-on industry work experience – students experience both theory and practice in this field of study
- Lecturing staff are highly qualified, experienced and have strong, current links with the industry
- Diploma of Community Welfare Work graduates are eligible for membership of The Australian Institute of Welfare and Community Workers Inc
- Students who have not completed their TEE can apply to study at ECU at the end of their Certificate IV course; and Diploma of Community Services Work graduates are exempted from many first year units in the Bachelor of Social Science at ECU
- Pastoral care is offered to all students, as well as access to the teaching and learning centre so that students can reach their potential.

Courses	Career Opportunities
Certificate III Community Services	Community Based Support Worker (women/families/domestic violence/ children); Housing Support Worker; Neighbourhood Centre Worker; Indigenous Youth & Community Worker; Recreational Activities Officer; Community Care Worker; Alcohol & Other Drug Support Worker; Residential Support Worker.
Certificate III Youth Work	Youth Support Worker (community based), Case Workers (community based), Youth Housing Support Worker, Intake & Referral Worker, Residential Youth Worker, Youth Activities Officer, Indigenous Youth Worker, Drug & Alcohol Worker (residential setting), Youth Officer, Youth Worker, Community Based Juvenile Justice Support Worker.
Certificate IV Community Services	(All opportunities quoted for Certificate III Community Service Work); Community Support Worker; Case Worker; Drug & Alcohol Worker; Support Worker; Welfare Support Worker; Outreach Officer; Family Support Worker; Mental Health Worker; Domestic Violence Worker.
Certificate IV Youth Work	(All opportunities quoted for Certificate III Youth Work); Community Development Worker (Youth); Youth & Family Resource Officer; Co-ordinator, Youth Service; Co-ordinator, Youth and Family Service.
Diploma of Community Welfare Work	(All opportunities quoted for Certificate IV Community Services); Case Manager; Case Co-ordinator; Local Support Co-ordinator; Client Service Assessor; Support Facilitator; Co-ordinator Family Services; Program/Service Co-ordinator; Welfare Worker; Co-ordinator; Community Worker; Social Welfare Worker.
Diploma of Community Services Management	Business Manager; Program Manager; Employment Services Manager; Service Manager; Executive Officer; Site Manager; General Manager; Unit Manager.

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