

If you're considering a career in a skilled trade area, an apprenticeship or traineeship might be the ideal pathway for you.

APPRENTICESHIPS AND TRAINEESHIPS

Apprenticeships and traineeships let you work for an employer and earn a wage while you complete a qualification. Apprenticeships are generally in skilled trade areas such as electrical, plumbing or automotive and can take up to four years to complete. Traineeships are often in vocational areas such as business, IT and tourism and can take between 12 months and three years to complete. Visit desbt.qld.gov.au/training/apprentices for more information.

SCHOOL-BASED APPRENTICESHIPS AND TRAINEESHIPS

If the idea of combining school and work sounds appealing, a school-based apprenticeship or traineeship could be right for you. You will develop industry-relevant skills to set you up for your future career while you complete your high school studies. You will need to gain approval from your school in order to complete a school-based apprenticeship or traineeship. Your school, employer and training organisation will then work together to create your training schedule with some of your paid employment and/or training becoming part of your school timetable.

There is a wide variety of industries that offer apprenticeship and traineeship training. You can choose from a range of traditional trade areas including automotive, bricklaying, carpentry, electrotechnology, engineering, plumbing and refrigeration. Or get the practical skills you need to start a career in aged care, agriculture and horticulture, allied health, beauty and hairdressing, business, community services, child care, hospitality and cookery, information technology, retail, or tourism and events. Visit desbt.qld.gov.au/training/apprentices/sats for more information.