

HUMAN SERVICES CAREER SNAPSHOT

Study Opportunities

Considering studying Human Services at JCU? Then check out: [Human Services - JCU Australia](#)

Clarify your study goals

Prepare yourself for the new world of

Employability

Community Work is a self-regulated profession which means practitioners do not need a licence to practice in the sector, however they can choose to register with a professional association such as the [Australian Association of Community Workers](#) (AACW) to demonstrate their employability; and may be a requirement for employment in some positions.

Practitioners often work with vulnerable clients, therefore mandatory pre-employment screening such as police, and working with children checks are standard.

Volunteer Work

Volunteering is a great way to form professional networks, develop work skills and stand out from the crowd. Many employers value evidence of volunteer work.

Volunteering enables students to experience different work environments plus demonstrate their values and the causes they care about. Students are recommended to consider:

- Volunteering for opportunities presented through their degree
- Becoming a [JCU Student Mentor](#)
- Becoming involved in community organisations, particularly in areas related to Human Services.

Opportunities are advertised through:

- [FNQ Volunteers](#)
- [Volunteering North Queensland](#)
- [Townsville Community Directory - volunteering](#)
- [Cairns Community Directory - volunteering](#)
- [Homeless Connect](#)
- [Australian Youth Mentoring Network](#)
- [Lifeline Telephone Crisis Su](#)