

Social Work

Key transferable skills

Skills you will obtain in this degree that are transferable across many career options.



COMMUNICATION



INTERPERSONAL SKILLS



CRITICAL THINKING



PROBLEM SOLVING



PLANNING
AND ORGANISING



DECISION MAKING

Career pathways

Graduates will be well placed to find employment in a range of roles directly or after further study. Common roles include:

- Social worker
- Case manager
- Mental health clinician
- Counsellor
- Family support worker
- Child protection worker
- Court advocacy coordinator
- Community development worker
- Policy adviser
- Youth worker
- Recovery adviser
- Transition support worker

Major employers

Graduates have found jobs in a range of organisations including:

- Mental health services
- Hospitals
- Department of Health and Human Services
- Community health centres
- Youth services
- MacKillop Family Services
- Department of Justice and Community Safety
- Migrant and refugee services
- Headspace
- Relationships Australia
- Beyond Blue
- Brotherhood of St Laurence

Source: LinkedIn Live Alumni, Burning Glass Technologies

Discipline specific/technical skills

Technical skills that you will develop as part of your course.

- Understand theories informing social work practice
- Critically analyse social problems
- Develop effective strategies in diverse settings
- Build trusting relationships with clients
- Design appropriate service responses
- Contribute to policy development and advocacy
- Apply judgement and autonomy in practice situations

Boost your employability



BROADEN YOUR SKILLS



CONNECT WITH INDUSTRY



MANAGE YOUR CAREER



GAIN EXPERIENCE

La Trobe's social work course provides students with the skills and knowledge to improve wellbeing for individuals, groups and communities through direct practice, community development, developing social policy initiatives, research and evaluation.