

## Benefits of a Certificate in “Painting and Decorating”

Based on official estimates provided by the Australian Government, the painting and decorating profession, including painting trades workers, is projected to experience a modest future growth rate. It is evident that the demand for proficient painters and decorators will continue to rise in the coming years. Australia is currently grappling with a shortage of skilled workers, making this field an excellent choice for those seeking a rewarding career. By obtaining the necessary certifications and honing your skills, you can embark on a remarkable journey in this industry.

Let’s understand how attaining a painting and decorating certification will benefit your career as a painter and decorator in Australia.

### 1-Skills

Painting and decorating encompass more than just the application of paint and varnishes. It requires a creative and decorative mindset to achieve optimal results. To obtain a professional certification in this field, typically, you are required to complete a comprehensive course. These painting and decorating courses are designed to enhance your expertise by teaching you a range of valuable skills like – preparing the surfaces, installing scaffolds, repairing defects etc.

### 2-Proper usage of tools

Proficiency in utilizing various tools is essential for painters and decorators. It is crucial to not only possess knowledge of these tools but also employ

them efficiently during work. A trade course in painting and decorating provides a comprehensive understanding of these tools, ensuring their proper utilization and setup. By taking a formal training, you will delve deeply into the diverse range of tools



employed in this field. You will acquire in-depth knowledge about their functionalities, techniques for optimal usage, and strategies for maximizing efficiency. The course will equip you with the skills necessary to handle these tools effectively, enabling you to execute your work with precision.

### 3-Work Safety

You need to have a clear understanding of work safety to avoid any unwanted accidents during work. You have to work with different types of paint and materials in this job. You will be more prone to health hazards without proper knowledge of work safety.

### 4-Better opportunities in the industry

Obtaining a certification undoubtedly enhances your industry reputation as a painter and decorator. Employers place greater confidence in certified professionals, recognizing their demonstrated skills and expertise. With a certification, you can elevate your career to new heights and open doors to exciting opportunities.

### Skill Required to Get Hired in Hospitality

When hiring fresh hospitality graduates in Australia, employers typically look for a combination of technical skills, relevant experience, and personal qualities that align with the demands of the hospitality industry. Here are some key factors that employers often consider:

- Employers generally prefer candidates who have completed a formal hospitality qualification, such as certifications, diploma or degree in hospitality management or a related field.
- While fresh graduates may have limited professional experience, employers value practical experience gained through internships, part-time jobs, or volunteer work in hospitality settings. Hands-on experience in areas such as customer service, food and beverage operations, event management, or front desk operations can make a candidate stand out.
- Employers expect graduates to have a good understanding of industry practices, including food safety and hygiene standards, customer service principles, and compliance with relevant regulations. Graduates should be familiar with common hospitality software systems and have a basic understanding of financial management in the industry.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills are crucial in the

hospitality industry. Employers seek candidates who can effectively interact with customers, colleagues, and supervisors. Strong communication skills, including verbal and written communication, active listening, and problem-solving abilities, are highly valued.

- The hospitality industry often operates in a fast-paced and dynamic environment. Employers look for candidates who can handle various tasks simultaneously, work well under pressure, and adapt to changing circumstances. Flexibility in terms of working hours and willingness to work weekends, evenings, and public holidays are also important.
- Hospitality is a team-oriented industry, and employers seek graduates who can work effectively in a team setting. Being a good team player, demonstrating cooperation, and contributing positively to a team's success are highly regarded qualities.
- Attention to detail is essential in ensuring quality service and maintaining customer satisfaction.
- Employers want employees who are motivated, display a willingness to learn and grow, and show a genuine interest in providing exceptional customer experiences.

### Future Founders Program

The Study Melbourne Future Founders Program, a collaborative initiative by Study Melbourne and StartSpace, stands as Australia's most comprehensive entrepreneurial program tailored specifically for international students and aspiring entrepreneurs. This program offers a unique opportunity for participants to acquire practical skills while gaining valuable insights from accomplished former international students and migrant founders, who will generously share their personal journeys.

- **The Study Melbourne Future Founders Festival:** held annually, offers a complimentary experience for attendees, featuring captivating talks by accomplished founders, engaging panel sessions, interactive workshops, valuable networking opportunities, and

an exciting pitch competition. The event is meticulously crafted to equip you with the necessary knowledge and skills to develop your business concept and transform it into a thriving venture.

- **Roadshow 2023 – Idea of Impact:** Be part of the upcoming Roadshows, where you can choose to join in person at Ballarat on 15 March, or in Geelong, or participate through online streaming on 22 March. The Roadshows are free to participate in and are specifically designed to ignite inspiration for your business ideas and kickstart your entrepreneurial journey.

## Extension of Post-study Work Visa

In late 2022, the Australian government announced its intention to extend post-study work rights for international students. Recently, they released the list of degrees that qualify for these extended rights.

- 1 Bachelor degree graduates can now stay and work for four years, up from two years previously.
- 2 Master degree graduates can now stay and work for five years, up from three years previously.
- 3 Doctoral graduates can now stay and work for six years, up from four years previously.

These extensions are in addition to the existing one to two years of work rights provided to eligible students who study, live, and work in regional areas. The new extensions will come into effect on 1 July 2023.

To be eligible for this extension, you must meet the eligibility criteria for the Post-Study Work stream of the Temporary Graduate visa (subclass 485) and have a qualification on the list of eligible qualifications (see below). Additionally, one of the following must apply to you:

- You hold a Temporary Graduate visa (Post-Study Work stream) on 1 July 2023.
- You have lodged an application for a Temporary Graduate visa (Post-Study Work stream) by 1 July 2023.
- You lodge an application for a Temporary Graduate visa (Post-Study Work stream) after 1 July 2023.

If your Temporary Graduate visa (Post-Study Work stream) expires before 1 July 2023 but you hold an eligible qualification, you can still apply for this extension. However, in this case, you will be granted a two-year Temporary Activity Australian Government Endorsed Events (COVID-19 Pandemic Event) visa (subclass 408) instead of a further Temporary Graduate visa (subclass 485).

If you were granted a Temporary Graduate visa (Post-Study Work stream) before 15 December 2021, and the visa took effect on or after 1 February 2020, and you were in Australia for the entire duration of your visa between 1 February 2020 and 15 December 2021, and you hold an eligible qualification, you are also eligible for a two-year Temporary Activity Australian Government Endorsed Events (COVID-19 Pandemic event) visa (subclass 408).





# Events

What employers look for?	06-06-2023 @12:00pm Free online event	<a href="https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/what-employers-look-for-in-graduates-study-melbourne-career-catalyst-tickets-535300366807">https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/what-employers-look-for-in-graduates-study-melbourne-career-catalyst-tickets-535300366807</a>
Safety Pool Program	14-06-2023 @10:30pm Melbourne City Baths	<a href="https://promotions.kangan.edu.au/poolprogramregistration">https://promotions.kangan.edu.au/poolprogramregistration</a>
Prepare for an interview	20-06-2023 @12:00pm Free online event	<a href="https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/preparing-for-a-job-interview-study-melbourne-career-catalyst-tickets-535310767917">https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/preparing-for-a-job-interview-study-melbourne-career-catalyst-tickets-535310767917</a>
Language exchange	Every Tuesday @6:00pm Level 1, The Joint Bar, 35 Elizabeth St, Melbourne 3000	<a href="https://www.newtomelbourne.org/Australia/Victoria/Melbourne/language-exchange">https://www.newtomelbourne.org/Australia/Victoria/Melbourne/language-exchange</a>

