

Career resources Science

Activity collection – years 9–10

Introduction

These resources are suitable for students in years 9–10.

They are aligned to the Australian Curriculum and relate to the Australian Curriculum learning area of Science

This selection will provide you with tools to help build your own and your students' career development awareness.

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Careers with STEM: Science and Health Teacher notes

Resource ID	M021754							
Link to resource	https://www.scootle.edu.au/ec/search?q=M021754&field=title&field=text.a ll&field=topic&v=text							
Resource description	The Careers with STEM Teacher Notes are for teachers, careers counsellors, parents, STEM-based institutions, or mentors that could use the guides to expose and inspire students towards STEM careers. These notes focus on careers with science or careers with health.							
Relevance of resource to careers education	The Careers with STEM series includes four quarterly magazines, along with website articles, teacher resources and videos across four STEM areas: science, technology, engineering and maths. The focus is on independent inquiry and constructivist learning through the application of a range of general capabilities that can 'bridge the academic and vocational divide, providing young people with the resources to navigate the future.'* Each magazine issue provides inspiring stories, career role models, job statistics and first step action points towards the careers of the future, and is based on the premise of discovering new areas of innovation through STEM + X — where X is another field of study, a personal passion, or a world-changing goal. *Kate Torii and Megan O'Connell, March 2017. Preparing young people for the future of work. Mitchell Report							
Australian Curriculum	Career development and management	$\overline{\checkmark}$	Entrepreneurial behaviours		Gaining and keeping work			
Work Studies category/ies	Learning to learn	V	The nature of work	V	Work skills	V		



Bringing Engineering to Life: STEM careers

Resource ID	M019742								
Link to resource	https://www.scootle.edu.au/ec/search?q=M019742&field=title&field=text.a ll&field=topic&v=text								
Resource description	This is a unit of work on engineering, the range of possible occupations in engineering and the future and ethics of engineering. The resource includes: an introduction with teacher notes, student tasks, embedded videos and links to additional resources. The resource aims that students learn broadly about engineering and that there are many types; and that students consider and appreciate the important role of engineering today, throughout history and into the future. Topics covered include defining engineering; meeting engineers; engineering wonders and who made them; and ethics in engineering. The resource is a career resource written for both classroom teachers and career counsellors.								
Relevance of resource to careers education	This is a useful resource for the year 9 Science curriculum. It is particularly useful for the content description Use and influence of science, which refers to the fact that advances in science and technology affect people's lives and create new career opportunities. Task 2: Getting to know some engineers is particularly relevant here, as it includes three videos of interviews with engineers discussing their work, with associated student tasks. Task 6: If I were an engineer is also relevant, as it asks students to reflect on their own career aspirations on completion of the unit.								
Australian Curriculum Work Studies category/ies	Career development and management Learning to learn		Entrepreneurial behaviours The nature of work		Gaining and keeping work Work skills				

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Unconscious bias: You can be a scientist: STEM careers

Resource ID	M019899								
Link to resource	https://www.scootle.edu.au/ec/search?q=M019899&field=title&field=text.a ll&field=topic&v=text								
Resource description	This is a unit of work about the work of scientists and science careers; particularly what common stereotypes, prejudices and perceptions exist regarding who can or should become scientists. The resource includes: an introduction with teacher notes, student tasks, embedded videos and links to additional resources. Specific topics explored include stereotypes; scientists at work; and participation of girls and women in STEM. The resource is a career resource written for both classroom teachers and career counsellors.								
Relevance of resource to careers education	The resource is also very useful for the year 9 Science curriculum – particularly the content description relating to the way the values and needs of contemporary society can influence the focus of scientific research. Task 5 is relevant to this as it explores why few people, especially women, are taking up STEM Career pathways. This is a very valuable source of information for the year 9 and 10 Work Studies curriculum, particularly for the sub-strand Career development and life design								
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Work Studies category/ies	Learning to learn	V	The nature of work	V	Work skills	V			

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Science futures: Teacher guide

Resource ID	M020761								
Link to resource	https://www.scootle.edu.au/ec/search?q=M020761&field=title&field=text.a ll&field=topic&v=text								
Resource description	This teacher guide provides an overview of a unit of work on the future of science, with an emphasis on the nature of science, emerging technologies and potential applications, and the development of science literacy including science in the media, science innovators and political policy. Designed as a culminating unit in the Science by Doing series, the unit provides opportunities to reflect on scientific achievement and to explore the possibilities of the future. This resource includes background information, a unit outline, glossary of terms, student worksheets, and assessment suggestions. This Science By Doing resource is part of a comprehensive resource containing three parts: a student guide (Student pages), student digital notebook (Student e-Notebook), and this teacher guide. All are included in this resource, although they are available separately.								
Relevance of resource to careers education	Part 5 has a career focus.								
Australian Curriculum Work Studies category/ies	Career development and management Learning to learn	V	Entrepreneurial behaviours The nature of work		Gaining and keeping work Work skills				

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Meet a scientist

Resource ID	R10706								
Link to resource	https://www.scootle.edu.au/ec/search?q=R10706&field=title&field=text.all &field=topic&v=text								
Resource description	This collection of 20 digital curriculum resources investigates the life and work of scientists from a range of scientific endeavours. It is organised into five categories - environmental scientists, life scientists, physical scientists, earth scientists and the qualities of a research scientist. Interactive learning objects can be used to explore and collect biographical data from which scientific profiles can be developed. Several audio and video resources discuss the nature of the work of particular scientists.								
Relevance of resource to careers education	This resource: explores the nature of work within science illustrates how scientists live and work provides biographical information about scientists at work, their professional activities and personal interests demonstrates real-world applications of science.								
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CSI: a job in criminology

Resource ID	M018015								
Link to resource	https://www.scootle.edu.au/ec/search?q=M018015&field=title&field=text.a ll&field=topic&v=text								
Resource description	Would you like to know what it is like to work in the field of criminology? In this clip, crime scene investigator Isabel Logan describes her job, including what she does, the equipment she uses and why she enjoys it. Watch this clip to find out how real-life CSI differs from the way it's portrayed on television shows.								
Relevance of resource to careers education	Teachers can use this video to encourage students to explore career information related to the field of criminology. Suggested activity: After viewing, ask students to find out about another job in criminology or a related field, such as forensic science. Students can visit the Australian Institute of Criminology's website to find job descriptions, personal requirements and pathways.								
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