



AUSTRALIA: RADIO WORK EXPERIENCE

Welcome to the land 'Down Under...'

Australia is a must see destination – the sheer size, amazing natural wealth, awesome scenery and huge variety of plant and animal life make this unique destination one of the most incredible places on earth!

Our programs are located in Western Australia (WA), in and around the laid-back sunshine city of Perth.

Why Perth?

To get an experience of real Australia, head for Perth! WA is much less touristy, there's more left to be discovered and you will have lots more opportunities to mix with the locals.

WHAT DO YOU GET?

- An exciting, never-to-be-forgotten adventure into Australia and you'll learn about the Aborigine culture that makes this country so fascinating!
- New skills, more confidence, a greater understanding of a different culture, invaluable personal and professional development.
- An entry on your CV or résumé that will put you head and shoulders above most others in the job market.
- Experienced local staff with 24/7 back-up and support who'll meet you at the airport on your arrival - helps you **feel safe and never alone!**
- An in-depth Induction makes you **feel local straight away!**
- A unique insight into another culture – **see it from the inside** in a way you could never do as a tourist.
- An opportunity to make lifelong friends from all over the world.
- And best of all ... **an unforgettable experience!**
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► SUMMARY FACTFILE

Start Dates	All year round - you choose your start and finish dates!
Duration	From 4 weeks to 1 year, subject to visa restrictions
Requirements	No qualifications or experience required, but you must be adaptable, enthusiastic and have lots of initiative
Price	For up-to-date prices, please check our website www.travellersworldwide.com
What's included	► Accommodation ► Meeting you at the Airport ► Transfer to your accommodation ► Full pre-departure support ► Local in-country team support and backup ► 24-hr emergency support
What's not included	Flights, Food, Insurance, Cost of Visas (if a visa is required, but we'll provide necessary documents and assistance), Transport to and from your project, Return transfer to airport.
Who can do this Project?	All our projects are open to all nationalities. You need to be aged between 18 and 70+.

PROGRAMME OVERVIEW:

If you're planning a gap year or career break and contemplating a career in radio, a work experience placement such as this could be just the thing you're looking for. This type of work experience is a great way of enhancing your CV or résumé and making you stand out from the crowd in this increasingly competitive world.

Working overseas is a challenging yet wonderfully rewarding experience and this placement will give you excellent hands-on broadcasting and production experience. Whether you're starting out or taking a career break, this placement will broaden your horizons and give you experience of a new way of working in a different yet exciting culture where language is not a problem and the people are particularly friendly and welcoming.

RADIO PROGRAMME:

We work with community radio stations run by staff and volunteers who are passionate about their communities and their radio. The stations cover primarily the suburbs of Perth. The radio stations broadcast digitally and also stream the channel over the web.

They broadcast 24 hours a day, 7 days per week, with programmes on music, local information and entertainment.

The stations play a contemporary mix of mainstream and Christian music. You will contribute both on and off the airwaves and assist in many areas, from producing and announcing to audio production, administration, programming, event organising, fundraising, sponsorship and maintenance.

Supporting Local Talent: The stations support local artists, local community groups, local sporting clubs and local businesses. They also invite locals to send in demo CD's or new releases so that they can be played on air. They actively encourage the promotion of local events and activities by offering free on air promotions...this is truly community radio for the community!



WORK CONTENT:

You'll undertake a number of tasks and generally be asked to help out in a number of areas, thus giving your placement wide variety and you'll learn a great deal. You'll work in a variety of roles at the station and, depending on your ability you will be assigned various tasks and jobs to undertake.

Here is a breakdown of the job roles that you may be assigned:

- Office Administration
- Program Producing
- News
- Audio Production
- CD Archiving
- Promotions and Marketing

Don't worry if you're not sure where to start, the stations will guide you through the exciting world of radio and fully train you for your role within the organisation!!

Most of your time is likely to be spent working alongside one of the main staff members or long-term volunteers, helping to put together a programme to go on air. This involves reviewing and selecting, as well as helping with the research, putting the programme together and interviewing people. It may even extend to actually broadcasting the material. Some programmes may be long and others may be very short, but even a short programme of only five minutes in length, with four segments, can take a week to put together, so you're likely to be kept very busy! Most of the work is done inside the studios with very little work taking place outside.

The equipment you'll use will depend on your own interests and skills, but will more than likely comprise general office computers, recording software, recording devices, and possibly one of the studio panels if they think you're able to assist in creating programmes or segments. Depending on the duration of your project, you may be able to fill in on a few live on-air shifts, but it is more than likely that you'll assist with work on the pre-recorded segments and also assist the current announcer.



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LOCATION:

The Radio stations are located in the suburbs of Perth. Perth was built on the banks of the magnificent Swan River over 150 years ago and is now a city rich in culture and filled with theatres, art galleries and museums. The city is modern and vibrant - a fun, friendly and 'laid back' place, with clear skies and a sunny climate. Western Australia is locally known as the 'state of excitement!'

Some of its more famous attractions include Kings Park, Scarborough Beach, Fremantle and the Swan River. Fremantle (or as the local's call it, 'Freo') is the city's port and is rich in history. At weekends you will find markets, entertainment and plenty of alfresco style cafes to laze in.

Perth has restaurants to suit all tastes - the most popular cuisine is of course the great Australian BBQ. Barbeque facilities are abundant in local parks - take your own food and cook up a feast, Australian style! For meals in local restaurants, a trip to Perth's inner city centre is well worth the effort - it bustles with activity and offers a range of choices of restaurants.



ACCOMMODATION & FOOD:

Your accommodation is located in the CBD (Central Business District) of Perth, Western Australia. Therefore you are very central, close to the main train station and shopping district.

You'll be accommodated in a centrally located lodge that is friendly and relaxing, making it ideal for long term stays. You'll most likely have your own room, but will share a bathroom with others on your floor. There is an excellent kitchen and storage area for cooking meals and plenty of space to relax.

Entertainment at the Lodge currently includes a pool table, cheap internet access, arcade machines and cable TV (Foxtel), to name a few, but with all the sunshine Perth has, you'll be out and about enjoying the many outdoor activities! You are literally a stroll from the Swan River and free CBD transport. Trains and buses are also only a few minutes away to take you to Fremantle, King's Park or to the many other things to do in the region!

The city centre boasts great shopping, restaurants and pubs or you can head over to Northbridge for more pubs, nightclubs and multicultural cuisine. You'll get to work via bus, which stops outside your accommodation.

Food: This is not included but we recommend a weekly budget of AUD\$70



GETTING TO YOUR PROJECT

Transport budget is not included in your placement. You'll travel to your placement using public transport. On your first day, you'll usually be accompanied by a Travellers team member who will show you how to use public transport to get to your placement. If you have any questions regarding the transport routes please ask your organiser who will be happy to help you.

VISAS:

We'll liaise with you about your visa requirements, if any, and make the visa process very easy.

FLIGHTS:

You have the option to arrange your own flights or we can assist you with your flight arrangements. If you would like us to do this for you, we will liaise with you regarding available flights and dates to suit you. All arrangements for your flight bookings/payments will be fulfilled by [Murray Rogers Travel Limited](#), ATOL No. 6856.

INDUCTION ON ARRIVAL:

When you arrive you will be welcomed at the airport by our Australian Manager, who will take you to your accommodation. During your first few days you will be given an induction so that you can learn about Perth and its culture, as well as useful information like how to use the transport system etc.

During the first few days of your stay you will also receive an induction at the community television offices. This will include an overview of current and upcoming projects, and a chance to familiarise yourself with the office location and aims of community television.

VOLUNTEER FEEDBACK:

"To sum up the 4 weeks I have spent on my TV placement in Perth, I have thoroughly enjoyed receiving hands on experience. I feel that where in the UK you would not be used for anything more than making the tea, here you are granted the freedom to be creative; to think and research interesting briefs and then to be allowed to go and shoot them at various locations. The pace of life may not be as busy as UK media offices, but it is a perfect opportunity to ease yourself into the industry, without it being too daunting." - Carmen Butcher

COSTS:

Please see the prices pages of our website [Full Price List](#). The price of this project is a reflection of the following costs:

- ✓ Accommodation
- ✓ Meeting you at the airport
- ✓ Local in-country team support and backup
- ✓ 24hr emergency helpline
- ✓ Full pre-departure support
- ✓ UK administration
- ✓ Marketing (brochures, website design and maintenance, attending careers fairs, advertising, website listings and presentations)
- ✓ Project Research/Site Inspection
- ✓ Staff Training/Equipment
- ✓ Donations to worthwhile projects

HOW YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE:

By joining a Travellers Program you enable us to keep donating money to worthwhile projects around the world; from clothing and feeding school children, building playgrounds or funding vital conservation research - your participation makes these donations possible.

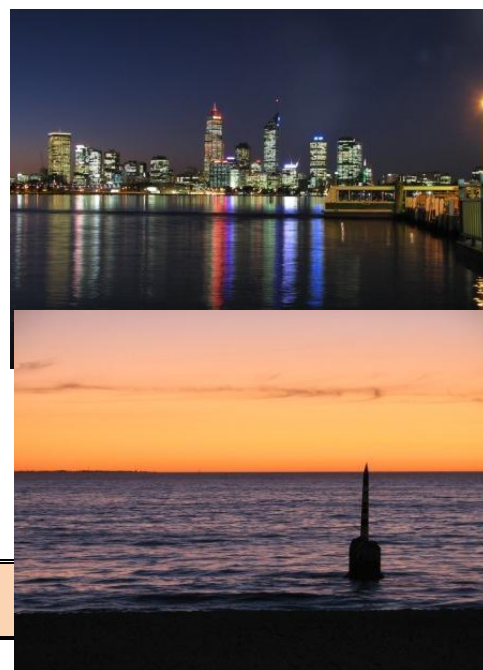
For every volunteer, a donation is made by Travellers on your behalf into the [Bridge The Gap Foundation](#). This Foundation was set up by us to donate directly to particularly worthwhile and necessary projects for children and animals around the world, and partners with other NGO's to raise match-funding for worthy projects.

COUNTRY PROFILE:

Australia is a must see destination – the sheer size, amazing natural wealth, awesome scenery and huge variety of plant and animal life make this unique destination one of the most incredible places on earth! Australia's most striking feature is it's variety of landscapes, with endless miles of unspoilt beaches (over 7,000 beaches - more than any other nation), tropical rainforests, mountain ranges and huge areas of desert - the famous 'outback'. The natural scenery is unbeatable.

Australians are known for their love of life and enjoyment of the great outdoors. While Australians have a relatively short history they have quickly developed their own unique culture - with their love of the humble meat pie, the arts and music, sport (Australian Rules Football is the national game), the beach and BBQs.

Visitors may be confused when first arriving in Australia. While it's common knowledge that Australians speak English, you may hear a unique



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colloquial language. You'll hear words such as 'G'day', 'fair dinkum', and 'cobber'. Don't worry, you'll get the hang of it and will be talking like an Aussie in no time!

Currency: Australian Dollar (\$)

Perth's Weather and Climate is best described as Mediterranean, with long dry summers and mild rainy winters. It is because of these long hot summers that many Perth activities revolve around the water. So if you enjoy swimming, surfing, watersports, or lazing on clean sandy beaches, Perth is the perfect destination.

The hottest months are January and February, and temperatures can frequently reach the mid to high 30's Celsius (95-100F). Occasionally the weather can reach 38 degrees Celsius or more (100+ Fahrenheit), and when it does, it is colloquially referred to as "a scorcher".

The mild Perth winter begins at the start of June and finishes in September. It is generally a rainy season, interspersed with chilly yet sunny days. A typical Perth winter day may fall between 16-18 degrees Celsius (60-65 degrees Fahrenheit). There are however, occasionally storms, characterised by thunder, lightning and heavy downpours of rain.

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HOW TO BOOK:

Please complete a [booking form](#) online or you can send a postal booking from our free brochure. When we receive this, we'll telephone you to discuss the details and then start the exciting process of planning your trip!

We do hope you'll join us and are confident that you'll find this an incredible experience. Don't hesitate to contact us with any questions - we'll be happy to help you plan your exciting adventure!

You may also be interested in other courses with Travellers, or do other projects in Australia – please visit our [website](#) for details of all our projects. In fact you can choose from over 300 projects in 20 countries!

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