



Working with DCP – Visa requirements

Do I have to be an Australian citizen or permanent resident?

No. To work for the Department for Child Protection in South Australia, you need to have a valid and suitable Australian Working Visa.

Some roles do have restrictions that make some Working Visas unsuitable for those roles, but you may be able to apply for alternative jobs instead. Please check against the job requirements, or contact the Department for Child Protection on DCPRecruitment@sa.gov.au if you have any questions.

Child and Youth Worker positions

Our Child and Youth Worker roles require a minimum of 2 years on your Visa. It doesn't matter which Working Visa you have, so long as it does not expire within 2 years of commencing in the role.

Those on Student Visas are not eligible to apply for a Child and Youth Worker position due to restrictions placed on the number of working hours allowed. Other part-time roles may be suitable. Check the job requirements.

Subclass 190 Skilled Nominated visa

There are no Visa restrictions on applying for any jobs in the Department if you have a 190 Visa.

Subclass 485 Temporary Graduate visa

Graduates with a Bachelor, Honours or Masters degree will be eligible for a Visa with a further two year validity if their qualification is listed on the Department of Education's [Eligible Qualifications List \(EQL\)](#). All doctoral graduates will also be eligible for a further two-year validity.

If you have less than 2 years remaining on your current 485 Visa, you will be ineligible to apply for some roles within the Department, such as a Child & Youth Worker. If you have 2 or more years remaining on your 485 Visa, there are no restrictions to apply for any suitable role within the Department.

Subclass 491 Skilled Work Regional (Provisional) visa

If you have less than 2 years remaining on your current 491 Visa, you will be ineligible to apply for some roles within the Department, such as a Child & Youth Worker. If you have 2 or more years remaining on your 491 Visa, there are no restrictions to apply for any suitable role within the Department.

Subclass 500 Student visa

You will only be eligible to apply for part-time roles no greater than 3 days per week.

Other visas

If you are in or coming to Australia on another visa not mentioned above, check the Australian Government's Home Affairs website for information on [Working and Skilled Visas](#). If your visa has any work restrictions, please check against the job requirements, or contact the Department for Child Protection on DCPRecruitment@sa.gov.au with any questions.

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