

# WANT TO PLUG-IN TO A GREAT CAREER?

*WHY NOT LOOK AT A  
CAREER IN LOCAL  
GOVERNMENT?*



## *INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY*

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# INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

There are a wide range of Information Technology (IT) careers available in Local Government.

Most councils employ IT specialists whose responsibilities include developing strategy, intranet and internet.

In a larger council you would probably be part of a team, which gives you the opportunity to specialise and be promoted.

Smaller councils may contract out their IT requirements and/or develop a shared arrangement with another Local Government. In a smaller council, you would be responsible for a range of IT activities.

## EDUCATION AND TRAINING

There are many pathways into IT roles in councils. Some options include:

- Applying for a traineeship position with a council and studying while you work
- Moving into an IT role from another area within council
- Completing a university or vocational qualification prior to working in council

Many jobs in IT do not require a university degree. There are vocational education and training courses offered by TAFE and other Registered Training Organisations (RTOs) which will articulate into degrees, if you choose to take your education further.

Examples of qualifications you might consider are:

- Bachelor of Information Technology
- Bachelor of Applied Science (Information Technology)
- Certificate III, IV or Diploma in Information Technology (including specialist strands) - TAFE or private RTO
- Certificate II in Information Technology (also available as a school based traineeship) - TAFE or private RTO

## FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT...

- [www.lgsa-plus.net.au](http://www.lgsa-plus.net.au) and [www.careergov.com.au](http://www.careergov.com.au) to learn more about careers in local government
- [www.counciljobs.com](http://www.counciljobs.com) to look at jobs currently available in local government
- [www.goingtouni.gov.au](http://www.goingtouni.gov.au) to see the range of university courses available
- [www.tafensw.edu.au](http://www.tafensw.edu.au) to find out more about TAFE courses in NSW
- [www.counciljobs.com](http://www.counciljobs.com) to look at the jobs currently available in local government
- [www.sbatinnsw.info](http://www.sbatinnsw.info) to find out more about school-based traineeships in NSW
- [www.lgsa.org.au](http://www.lgsa.org.au) to locate all councils across NSW

Remember, council job opportunities are advertised in local and national newspapers.