

Information sheet

Illustrator

ANZSCO: 232412

Group B

About this document

- The following Information Sheet is for your reference only and should be used as a guide to assist with your Skills Assessment application to VETASSESS. This information is subject to change.
- Please note that a Skills Assessment of the qualification involves assessment of both the qualification level and content. Qualifications are assessed according to the guidelines published by the Australian Government Department of Education.
- The employment assessment involves determining the skill level and relevance of the tasks undertaken.
- Integrity checks may be conducted to verify the qualification and employment claims made in an application.

Job description

An Illustrator plans, designs, develops, and prepares pictures and diagrams to communicate messages, clarify meaning, assist in presentations and illustrate stories, using traditional and digital media such as drawing, painting, drafting, collage, models, photography, and image capture and manipulation software.

Occupations considered suitable under this ANZSCO code:

- Animator
- Cartoonist
- Technical Illustrator

Occupations not considered under this ANZSCO code:

- > Graphic Designer
- Multimedia Designer
- Web Designer
- Performing Arts Technicians nec

Illustrators create and develop illustrations and designs for books, magazines, advertisements, films and multimedia. They illustrate on paper as well as in two-dimensional (2D) and three-dimensional (3D) models and may use traditional drawing methods, computer-techniques or a combination of both. Illustrators need to be good communicators who understand what their clients need in order to fulfil their briefs. Many Illustrators display their work in a professional portfolio (either digital or physical) and when prompted, should be able talk about each sample of their work.

Illustrator is a VETASSESS Group B occupation

This occupation requires a qualification assessed as comparable to the educational level of an Australian Qualifications Framework AQF Bachelor degree.

Applicants can fulfil the assessment criteria for this occupation in four different ways.

Qualification and employment criteria

Applicants must have fulfilled at least one of the following four criteria (1–4):

GROUP B	C	Criteria for a positive Skills Assessmen	t
Post-qualification Pathways			
	Minimum comparable Bachelor or higher degree AQF level*	With highly relevant Additional highly major field of study relevant qualifications**	Highly relevant employment duration***
1	AQF +	+ N/A	+ 0 0 1YEAR minimum
2	AQF +	No highly relevant major Minimum AQF Diploma level with highly relevant major	+ 0 2 YEARS minimum
3	AQF +	No highly relevant major Hoadditional highly relevant qualifications	+ 0 0 3 YEARS minimum
Pre-qualification Pathway			
	Highly relevant employment duration***		Minimum comparable Bachelor or higher degree AQF level*
4	5 YEARS minimum Within last 5 years	→ With or without highly relevant - major field of study	+ AQF

* Bachelor degree or higher degree includes:

AQF Master Degree or AQF Doctoral Degree

** Additional qualifications in a highly relevant field of study include those comparable to the following levels:

AQF Diploma

AQF Advanced Diploma

AQF Associate Degree or

AQF Graduate Diploma

*** Highly relevant paid employment duration (20 hours or more per week)

Pathways 1-3

minimum years of post-qualification employment highly relevant to the nominated occupation, completed at an appropriate skill level in the five years before the date of application for a Skills Assessment.

Pathway 4

minimum 6 years of relevant employment required – Five years of relevant employment (can be outside the last 5-year period) in addition to at least one year of highly relevant employment within the last five years before applying.

A positive assessment of both qualification level and employment duration is required for a positive Skills Assessment outcome.

Qualification

AQF Bachelor degree or higher*

Highly relevant major fields of study include:

- Illustration
- > Visual Art/Visual Communication
- > Graphic/Multimedia Design
- > Fine Art

Note: Qualifications in the various Design disciplines may be considered on a case-by-case basis if the study program consists of subjects in drawing or illustration and design and the subsequent employment are highly relevant. For example, qualifications in Architecture is relevant to employment of an Architectural Illustrator.

* This includes qualifications assessed at AQF Bachelor, Master and Doctoral level.

Employment Tasks

Tasks include:

- Examines assignment brief and related material, and prepares layouts and sketches of proposed illustrations
- Determines style, technique and medium to produce the desired effects and conform with reproduction requirements
- Conceives and renders illustrations and details from models, sketches or imagination
- Uses pens, ink, charcoal, crayons, paint and other materials to create drawings and illustrations
- Discusses and amends illustrations with clients and production team at various stages of completion
- > Uses computers to develop and enhance illustrations
- Illustrates children's books, scientific work, technical manuals, reference books and other publications
- May specialise in product packaging, corporate, medical or architectural illustration
- May prepare series of drawings to illustrate an animated sequence in a television or film production
- Researches the topic by looking at photographs, artworks, advertisements and books, and by observing people, animals and plants
- Creates and manipulates models using clay and other materials or 2D and 3D computer graphics to create an animated sequence.

Supporting Material for Assessment

Supporting material for assessment section with the similar details: When applying for a Skills Assessment, please ensure you submit sufficient evidence supporting your proof of identity, qualification and employment claims. A full list of the documents required can be found on the VETASSESS website under Eligibility Criteria.

If you are nominating this occupation, you must also submit a portfolio. Please provide a link to your portfolio or upload samples of your design work of no more than 5MB per sample.



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