

Information sheet



NUTRITIONIST

(ANZSCO Code: 251112)

Group A



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, Skills and Employment.
- » 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

Nutritionists integrate, disseminate and apply knowledge drawn from the relevant sciences to enhance positive effects of food on the health and well-being of human populations.

Occupations not considered under this ANZSCO code:

- » Dietitian - classified elsewhere in ANZSCO.

Nutritionist is a VETASSESS Group A occupation.

This occupation requires a qualification assessed as comparable to the educational level of an Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) Bachelor degree or higher, in a field highly relevant to the nominated occupation.

Applicants must also have at least one year of highly relevant, post-qualification employment, at an appropriate skill level completed in the last five years.






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Qualification and employment criteria

GROUP A	Criteria for a positive Skills Assessment			
	Comparable Bachelor degree AQF level	With highly relevant major field of study	Additional highly relevant qualifications*	Relevant employment duration**
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Pre-qualification methodology does not apply to Group A occupations				

* 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):

one year of post-qualification paid employment (20 hours or more per week) highly relevant to the nominated occupation, at an appropriate skill level in the last five years before the date of application for a Skills Assessment.

Qualification

AQF Bachelor degree or higher degree*

This occupation requires a qualification in Nutrition.

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

- » Planning, conducting and evaluating nutrition intervention programs and compiling educational material;
- » Providing nutrition assessments, nutrition management, and nutrition education, research and training.

Employment

Highly relevant tasks include:

- » Collecting, organising and assessing data relating to health and nutritional status of individuals, groups and communities;
- » Interpreting and communicating scientific information and providing advice, education and professional opinion to individuals, groups and communities;
- » Monitoring food intake and quality to provide nutritional care;
- » Calculating nutritional values of food served;

Employment information

Nutritionists may design, coordinate, implement and evaluate a range of population health interventions to improve the wellbeing of individuals, communities, and the population as a whole, through better food and nutrition. Nutritionists may work in a number of other roles, including research and as Nutrition Consultants and Advisors, Public Health and Health Promotion Officers, Community Development Officers, Quality and Nutrition Coordinators, Food Technologists, Media Spokespeople and more. They mainly work in health care and social assistance, retail trade, and manufacturing industries.

