

# Archaeologist

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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.
- 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

Studies human activity in the past, primarily through the recovery and analysis of the material culture and environmental data left behind, which includes artifacts, architecture, biofacts and cultural landscapes (the archaeological record)

# Archaeologist 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.

Applicants will not meet the required skill level if:

- > The qualification(s) are not at the required educational level.
- > The qualification(s) are not in a highly relevant field of study.
- > The employment has been completed prior to the completion of the qualification.

A positive assessment of both qualifications and employment is required for a positive Skills Assessment

GROUP A	Criteria for a positive Skills Assessment						
	Minimum comparable Bachelor or higher degree AQF level***	With highly relevant major field of study	Additional highly relevant qualifications*	Highly relevant employment duration**			
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\*\* Highly relevant paid employment duration (20 hours or more per week):

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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

Highly relevant major fields of study include:

- Archaeology

## Employment Criteria

Highly relevant tasks include, but are not limited to:

- Organising, authenticating, evaluating and interpreting archaeological data
- Undertaking historical and cultural research into human activity, and preparing and presenting research findings
- Studies past cultures through artefacts, or items which people have made, used or modified
- Investigates sites and artefacts to answer a specific research question or to save cultural resources from destruction, either from human or natural forces.
- Strives to investigate and preserve the finite and fragile clues of former cultures in order for us to understand our link to the past.
- Examines excavated objects to learn how and when they were made and used.

