



Australian Government

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

2020 Policy Graduate Program

APS 3, \$67,124 plus superannuation

Ongoing, Full-time

Negative Vetting Level 2 Security Clearance

Canberra, ACT

Our two-year policy graduate program will kick-start your career in DFAT. During the course of the program, you will undertake a tailored learning package delivered through the Diplomatic Academy. You will develop a broad knowledge and understanding of the Government's foreign, trade and aid policy priorities. You will complete four work placements, giving you first-hand experience of the department's diverse range of priorities, including:

- bilateral economic and political relations;
- international trade negotiations, investment and economic analysis;
- humanitarian assistance;
- development and aid program management;
- international security;
- public diplomacy;
- commercial, administrative and international law; and
- multilateral and global issues.

The policy graduate training program includes a block of courses designed to build on and give graduates the opportunity to fill gaps in their academic studies. There are workshops to develop graduates' presentation and negotiation skills, as well as courses in human rights, diplomacy, international development, financial management, public diplomacy, and consular services. Graduates also have an opportunity to train with peers from other countries and travel interstate to make calls on peak industry bodies and government officials.

After you have successfully completed the program, you will be promoted to an ongoing APS 4 position in Canberra. You will also be eligible to apply for positions in one of our overseas posts, although it can be a few years before graduates take up overseas positions.

Note:

These are security-designated positions. Prior to engagement selected candidates will be required to obtain an Australian national security clearance at Negative Vetting Level 2. Ongoing employment with the department requires the successful candidates to maintain a security clearance. Loss of a security clearance at any time will lead to termination of employment.

DFAT employees are expected to adhere to the APS Values and Code of Conduct and the DFAT Values Statement.

Please visit the DFAT website to view further details of this opportunity.

Applications close 25 March at 2:00pm AEST.

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