

Start a Printing and Graphic Arts Apprenticeship

and one day you can work in:

- Commercial digital and offset print for news, magazines and online publications
- Signage, display, marketing and packaging industries

Finish a School-based Traineeship

In years 11 & 12 you can do a school-based traineeship which includes paid work experience as part of your HSC (non-ATAR)

Result — a Certificate II in Printing and Graphics Arts that provides significant credit towards a Certificate III in Printing and Graphic Arts

Finish a Certificate III in Printing and Graphic Arts

A four-year, full-time apprenticeship

Result — you are a qualified printer and/or graphic artist

Finish a Certificate IV in Small Business

You can do that part-time while you earn money

Result — you are ready to start your own business



Yes, I want to be a printer and/or graphic artist

Great! Check out the subjects the printing industry recommends to get you started.

Years 9 and 10

Mandatory subjects:

- English
- Geography or History
- Mathematics (Mathematics in Trades pathway)
- Personal Development, Health and Physical Education (PDHPE)
- Science

Plus two (2) electives:

Now that you have decided on a printing and graphic arts apprenticeship you should consider the following subjects as one or more of your electives if they are taught in your school.

- Design and Technology
- Industrial Design
- Graphics Technology
- Information and Software Technology
- Visual Arts
- Visual Design
- Work Education

Years 11 and 12

Mandatory subjects:

- English or English Studies

Plus electives:

Choosing one or more of these subjects will roll the presses on your career in the printing industry.

- Industrial Technology
- Design and Technology
- Information Processes and Technology
- Business Studies
- Mathematics Standard (Mathematics in Trades pathway)
- Visual Arts

