

The Settlement Language Pathways to Employment and Training (SLPET)



Who we are

We are the **Melbourne AMEP**. We are proud of our history helping new arrivals to Australia settle into their new communities.

Melbourne AMEP is a network of TAFE and Learn Local organisations led by Melbourne Polytechnic to deliver the AMEP across the following five regions in Victoria:

- 📍 **Melbourne Inner Metro**
- 📍 **Melbourne North West**
- 📍 **Melbourne North East**
- 📍 **South East Melbourne and Peninsula**
- 📍 **Bendigo**

We have provided continuous AMEP services in the northern corridor of Melbourne since 2003.

Our Commitment

Melbourne Adult Migrant English Program

(Melbourne AMEP) is committed to greater social and economic inclusion for migrants and refugees new to Australia. As one of the most diverse and multi-cultural countries in the world, successful integration into the Australian community has never been more important.

We are constantly seeking opportunities for new arrivals to

- Practise English
- Learn about life in Australia
- Experience Australian workplace culture
- Gain skills and employment
- Build networks

To do this we need your help.

English for the workplace

The Settlement Language Pathways to Employment and Training (SLPET) course offers AMEP students the capacity to

- Improve communication skills for the workplace
- Strengthen job-seeking skills
- Understand Australian work culture and processes
- Undertake a work placement

Working in Partnership

The AMEP seeks to work in partnership with industry to identify opportunities for both potential employer and employee.

The benefits of the program for students

Many migrants and refugees come with qualifications, skills and knowledge from their country of origin, yet this pool of talent is underutilised. Opportunities for our learners to experience the workplace in Australia offers essential insight to help shape their decisions towards future goals.

Employers benefit from participating in the program through:

- Workplace diversity
- Access to a talented, hardworking and loyal workforce
- Ensuring potential employees are the best fit for an organisation
- Connection to extensive networks across the settlement community
- Contributing to building a stronger more inclusive Australian society

Testimonials

AMEP Student

I improved my English a lot (during my work placement) and then **I was given an amazing reference which helped me find a casual job** in a real estate agency straight away.

Nathalia Volkova

Volunteer

I met my student each Saturday. He was keen to start working but **needed to practise speaking about his skills and past work experience.** We talked a lot about work culture and what was different in Australia.

Joe
Volunteer Tutor

AMEP Employer

One of the great things around a diverse culture is bringing a different set of thinking to improve where we are at today, to where we want to get to tomorrow...

Glen Stewart
Team Leader Waterways
and Land Delivery
Melbourne Water



Industry Expert

I realised how cultural differences could have a huge impact on a person gaining employment and keeping a job long term... **the information I shared about customer relations in the Australian retail industry was so important for them to hear.**

Nadine Mulquiney
Department Manager
Officeworks

AMEP Work Experience Partner

We partner with the AMEP to provide local work experience opportunities to students with global skills and knowledge. Everyone benefits: **The employer gains the expertise of the participant and the participant builds confidence, new skills and optimism** to set them on their journey to finding meaningful and relevant work.

Cathy Toner
People & Capability
City of Whittlesea

How can you get involved?

Workplace visits

Welcome a small group of students into your workplace for a tour

Work Experience placements

Give a student the chance to experience an Australian workplace through a two-week work placement, an essential 'first step' towards entering the workforce.

Internship

Offer an internship. Many young migrants and refugees are enthusiastic, talented and skilled at learning on the job. An internship gives them the opportunity to play to their strengths.

Industry Experts

Share your expertise in any of our employment-focussed forums. As a representative from your industry or organisation, we give you the opportunity to impart your workplace knowledge to potential employees.

Volunteer Tutor Scheme

Get your employees involved in our VTS program!

With no teaching experience or qualifications needed, volunteering provides a sense of community for both the student and volunteer and only takes 1-2 hours per week.



Find Out More

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