

Students need to check the requirements in regards to Working With Children checks in their state or territory.

Jurisdiction	Act	Type of program
ACT	<i>Working with Vulnerable People (Background Checking) Act 2011</i> (ACT)	The ACT Working with Vulnerable People Background Check requires that individuals engaging in regulated activities or services, including where these are provided to children, must be registered. A statutory Screening Unit within the Office of Regulatory Services, Justice and Community Safety Directorate is responsible for applications for registration. The registration is valid for 3 years and is subject to ongoing monitoring. There are three types of registration administered to individuals under the Working with Vulnerable People Background Check: general registration, which is transferable across all roles and organisations; role-based registration; and conditional registration.
NSW	<i>Child Protection (Working with Children) Act 2012</i> (NSW)	The NSW Working With Children Check that came into effect 15 June 2013 has resulted in a move from an employer driven "point-in-time" system to a system where individuals, including volunteers, are responsible for their own application for certification. Employers operating within a child-related industry are required to register online with the NSW Office of the Children's Guardian and to subsequently conduct online verification of new paid employees clearance. Existing paid workers and all volunteers (new and current) also need to have clearance validated online as they are phased in to the new check system. The check is valid for 5 years and subject to ongoing monitoring.
NT	<i>Care and Protection of Children Act 2007</i> (NT)	Individuals are required to apply for a Working With Children Check, known as an "Ochre Card" in the NT. The Ochre Card, which is also known as a Clearance Notice is valid for 2 years, and applies to employers and volunteers in child-related employment settings.
QLD	<i>Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian Act 2000</i> (Qld)	Individuals are required to apply for a Working With Children Check, known as a "Blue Card" in Queensland. Valid for 2 years, Blue Cards entitle individuals to engage in child-related occupations/volunteering. Organisations providing child-related services must also have policies and procedures in place to identify and minimise risk of harm to children, which are monitored by the Commissions for Children and Young People and Child Guardian.
SA	<i>Children's Protection Act 1993</i> (SA)	The South Australian system is an employer driven point-in-time system requiring employers and responsible authorities to obtain National Police Checks and conduct wider screening assessment for those engaging in child-related occupations/volunteering.
TAS	<i>Education and Care Services National Law (Application) Act 2011</i> (Tas.)	The Good Character Check screening program came into force on 1 January 2012, requiring that staff members, volunteers and students on practicum placement obtain a security screen clearance in order to engage in work with regulated education and care services only. The Good Character Check includes consideration of crimes of violence; sex-related offences; serious drug offences; crimes involving dishonesty; and serious traffic offences. Employers in other child-related work may require police checks at their discretion.
VIC	<i>Working With Children Act 2005</i> (Vic.)	Individuals are required to apply for a Working With Children Check. Valid for 5 years, the check entitles individuals to engage in child-related occupations/volunteering and practical training.
WA	<i>Working with Children (Criminal Record Checking) Act 2004</i> (WA)	Individuals are required to apply for a Working With Children Check. Valid for 3 years, the check entitles individuals to engage in child-related occupations/volunteering.