

Au pair Australia

**A meaningful and exciting
Gap Year Experience for Girls!**



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A meaningful and exciting Experience!

Au Pair Australia is an employment agency for Au pairs and families. As a cultural exchange organisation, Au Pair Australia gives young girls the opportunity to work in a different country as an Au pair.

Our Gap Year for young girls

Have you been dreaming of a gap year but worried about finding work? Can't afford the cost of living overseas? Then our au pair program is right for you!

Our agency guarantee's you a job and accommodation before you begin to travel. Wish you could get paid to travel?

What is an Au Pair?

An Au Pair is typically a young woman who takes care of children and does light housekeeping for up to 12 months in exchange for room, board and a wage.

Program Description and Advantages:

- Introduction and placement with a host family and private accommodation.
- Certificate of Completion
- Au pair Guide
- Earn a weekly pocket money, depending on number of work hours.
- Transfer pick up from Airport to host family home.
- Working hours range between 30 to 45 hours per week, depending on the family's need.
- Two weeks of paid vacation for a 12 month contract, one week if your placement is for a shorter period of time.
- Private room and full board provided by your host family.
- Possibility to attend a language course.
- Social and cultural opportunities. We will connect you with other Au Pairs in your area where possible.

What is the role of an Au Pair?

As an au pair, you'll provide full time child care for your host family's children. Your duties may include taking the children to school and picking them up, playing with them and taking them to activities, preparing their meals and helping them with homework.

As an Au pair in Australia you have the unique possibility to improve your English significantly and to get to know the culture and customs of the country by living together with an Australian family. As an Au pair you are hosted in a family like a new family member.

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You support the family in childcare and minor domestic work. Your host family helps you in return to improve your English skills and makes you familiar with the Australian culture. Your stay as an Au pair will be a very unique experience if everything is planned and organized well beforehand. Therefore it is important to inform yourself in detail about the program and to carefully think about your decision. Our team may assist you in this process and will support you throughout your stay in Australia.

Requirements:

- Be between 18 to 30 yrs, childless and able to speak English and follow a conversation.
- Be happy to help with childcare and light housework, usually up to 30 hours per week and participate in family activities and respect family rules.
- Some experience caring children, (can include babysitting, paid or voluntary work).
- Minimum of 1 reference, preferable outside of your family.
- Enjoy looking after children and want to be an active part of a Canadian family.
- Driver's license preferred.
- Clean police record, your health condition must be good and allow you to work with children.

The Process Step-by-Step:

1. Call us for an initial consultation.
2. Complete the application and send it to us.
3. Your application will be presented to prospective host families across Australia, and arrangements are made to interview you by phone or Skype.
4. A host family invites you to become their Au Pair and you can choose whether to accept the offer.
5. Once you've accepted the host family's offer, you will receive your contract between family and au pair and the preparation documents to assist you.
6. Book your flight and depart!
7. Your new host family will meet you at the local airport.
8. Your Au Pair adventure begins!



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Typical day as an Au pair:

- Preparing meals for the children/ Bathing and dressing/ Driving the children to school / Putting them to bed
- Playing with the children/ babysitting/ helping them with their homework
- Washing up/ sweeping/ vacuuming/ helping to clean up after meals and
- Ironing the children's clothes.

Duties

As an au pair, your primary responsibility is to look after the host family's children. Alongside childcare you may be asked to help out with household chores as part of your duties, but these should only be light household chores, as your responsibility is to look after the children, not to clean the house. Normal working hours are a min of 25 and a max of 45 hrs per week including babysitting.

Length of the Au pair stay

The minimum and maximum duration of an Au pair contract is 6 months . If you wish to work longer than that we are able to place you with a second family so that you can complete one year in Australia.

Free time

As an au pair, you are entitled to have at least one day off per week. This day should be on a Sunday at least once every month. We suggest families to give weekends free as much as possible

Holidays

The Working Holiday Programme doesn't regulate how much holiday you are entitled to during your stay in Australia. However, we recommend families to give one week of holiday for a stay of six months

End of stay bonus

We encourage families to pay an end of stay bonus at the end of the placement based on good performance and this is around \$500 AUD



Further Information about our program:

- Duration: 1 placement of 6 months or 2 placements of 6 months each one
- Placements in all main cities of Australia (Sydney mainly, Canberra, Perth, Brisbane, Adelaide, Queensland, Gold coast, Melbourne, Darwin, etc and as well in the country)
- Registered families are carefully selected and usually live in up market city or beach suburbs.
- Proposed work schedule and details from the family will be provided to the au pair including list of duties work times, etc.
- When out of duties, the au pair can work, travel, study at her entire leisure.
- If desired, the au pair can extend her stay for up to 1 year with the same family FOR FREE
- All inclusive accommodation and meals 7 day a week, weekends free.
- House and family details and photos are provided to the au pair
- Start date must be in agreement with Au Pair family (please do not book your flight before your placement is not confirmed)

Your host family

The requirements are high and not every host family is able to participate in the Au pair program. The host families need to apply just like you and they are interviewed by us.

They are accepted in the program only if they comply with the requirements and are willing to abide by the Au pair regulations. Most host families have 2-3 children aged between 6 months and 10 yrs. Some host parents are single parents. We have families all over Australia, including main towns and cities like; Sydney, Canberra, Gold Coast, Brisbane, Adelaide, Perth, Melbourne and other cities.

Dates of application

You can apply any time throughout the year. The visa takes only few days to be granted if you come from the EU. We have families during all the year.

Travel Costs:

Au Pairs are responsible for their own travel costs from their home country to Australia and the family is responsible for meeting them at the airport. If it is not possible for the family to collect them on arrival (ie. because you live elsewhere in the country), the agency will provide every assistance with making reservations for onward travel and no bookings will be made without prior agreement with the family .



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Application checklist.

Please fill in the application forms accurately. The more precise your application is, the quicker we will find you a nice host family.

The application documents consist of:

- 1) A copy of your passport or any Identification, copy of first aid certificate if you have or any other certificate
- 2) A copy of your driving license if you drive
- 3) A minimum of one childcare reference in English, not from family or friends
References can be completed by the staff at schools, nurseries, creches, hospitals, children's homes or from the parents of children you have looked after are the best kind to have.
- 4) A "Dear Family" letter written in English, give details about your family, yourself, work experience and your reason to become an Au pair
- 5) A Medical certificate - provide a certificate confirming that you are fit & healthy.
- 6) Some recent photographs of yourself, showing to your host family about your hobbies, your family and friends
- 7) A Police clearance certificate. Ask your local police department or other legal authority in your country to provide you with a certificate or other document stating that you do not have a criminal record.

How to Get Started



Apply Online

Register as Au pair



Family Interviews

Be matched with a family



Visa and travel

Airport pick up