

POLICY

Policy Name	Work Experience at Whitehouse - Policy GO26_PO (Governance)		
Policy Number			
Purpose	To outline the policy for persons undertaking informal and unpaid work experience or volunteering work at Whitehouse campuses.		
Scope	This policy applies to:		
	 All NSW, Victorian and Queensland Year 10, 11 and 12 Secondary School Students wishing to undertake informal and unpaid work experience / volunteering at Whitehouse. 		
	 All other persons, e.g. students' models; graduates; industry creative practitioners such as make-up artists, stylists, photographers. 		
	All Whitehouse campuses.		
	Exclusions This policy does not apply to:		
	 School students undertaking mandated, formal Work Experience / Work Placements or Internships as part of their School Based Apprenticeship and Traineeship (SBAT's) qualifications. 		
	 Whitehouse enrolled students undertaking work experience / Internships with other employers / host companies, as part of their formal qualification study. 		
Policy Statement	Whitehouse has a long-established tradition of offering work experience / volunteering opportunities to Year 10 to Year 12 secondary school students at its Sydney, Melbourne, and more recently at its Brisbane campus.		
	Whitehouse also acknowledges and welcomes persons, for example students' models, make-up artists and other creative industry professionals during panel assessment week/s, open house, and graduate runways or exhibitions in a voluntary capacity.		
	Persons on work experience / voluntary work are not Whitehouse employees and are not paid while on work experience.		
	Year 10 to Year 12 students must obtain the approval of their school and parent(s) or guardian before they can undertake work experience at a Whitehouse campus.		
	Persons undertaking work experience at Whitehouse will have a workplace supervisor or mentor assigned, and meaningful tasks to perform.		
	School students traveling from their home or school to a Whitehouse campus and while on campus premises for work experience are indemnified by their school for injury, accident or incidents that may occur. Other work experience volunteers must have their own cover or sign a waiver.		
	On completion of their work experience, school students will write and submit a 300 words reflection report on their work experience. (report format to be provided by Whitehouse)		
	The arrangements, roles and responsibilities for persons undertaking voluntary work experience		
	activities at Whitehouse are detailed in the Procedure.		

Relevant Legislation

- Child Protection (Working with Children) Regulation 2012 (NSW)
- Fair Work Act 2009 (Cth)
- Work Cover NSW
- Fair work ombudsman
- Workplace Health and Safety Act 2011 (NSW)
- Working with Children Check
- Victoria Department of Education

Key Related Documents

- Student Code of Conduct
- Staff Code of Conduct
- Privacy Policy and Procedure
- Student Wellbeing and Support Services Policy and Procedure
- Risk Management Policy and Procedure
- Bullying, Harassment and Discrimination Policy and Procedure
- Student Grievances and Complaints Resolution Non-Academic Policy and Procedure
- Critical Incident Policy and Procedure.

Guides

An Employer's Guide to Work Experience, NSW Department of Education.

Forms

- Host Acknowledgement form
- Host Approval / Confirmation form
- Host Work Experience Consent form
- Indemnity Waver
- Host Work Experience Risk Assessment
- Host Work Experience Activities Schedule
- Host Student Reflection on Work Experience report form.
- Host Register of Work Experience.

Definitions

Work Experience is a short-term unpaid placement of secondary school students, Year 10 to Year 12 at a Whitehouse campus. It is an informal program that enables students to get an idea of a career they are interested in the Fashion or broader creative industries and are inspired to achieve it through study and / or work.

Work Experience for non-school student applicants can take a variety of forms, related to student learning (such as models accompanying students at panel assessments, and/or exhibitions or fashion runways; photo shoots) and / or campus events or operations.

Responsible Officer

Executive Director

Co-Executive Director

Assigned Staff.

Approval Authority/ Authorities

Joint Executive Directors

Academic Board.

Date Approved

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INFORMATION FOR PUBLISHING ON POLICY REGISTER		
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	Executive Management	
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