



NATIONAL SKILLS WEEK
HANDS AND MINDS - THE DNA OF SKILLS & TRADES
AUGUST 25 - AUGUST 31, 2014

Some ideas for Careers Advisers on how you can involve your students during National Skills Week

- Get students to investigate and research useful websites where they can gain information about careers, pathways, and vocational education generally, for example:

MyFuture www.myfuture.edu.au

SkillsOne www.skillsone.com.au

ACPET Catalogue www.acpetcatalogue.edu.au

Real Stories. Real Achievements www.australiantrainingawards.gov.au/real_stories

The Job I Love www.serviceskills.com.au

Rural Skills Australia www.agrifoodcareers.com.au

Career in the Building and Construction Industry www.constructmycareer.com.au/

- Invite an apprentice who has completed their apprenticeship to talk to students about their experience
- Investigate school-based apprenticeships (what they are)
- Get students to describe their passion and what they enjoy, and then have them link what careers and vocational pathways they identify with, relating to that passion
- Organise for students to visit a TAFE institute and/or Registered Training Organisation (member of ACPET)
- Have students research quality Private Training Providers through the ACPET Catalogue
- Invite a representative from a Registered Training Organisation or Group Training Organisation to address students
- Invite a selection of employers who represent different industries to talk to students about their particular industry
- Invite an employer organisation representative from the National Farmers' Federation, Australian Chamber of Commerce (ACCI) and Australian Industry Group (Ai Group) to address students
- Invite a winner of the State Training Awards or similar ambassador i.e. a WorldSkills competitor or an Apprentice of the Year winner etc., to address students
- Organise a father daughter dinner or parent night for parents and their daughters to be addressed by successful women who have succeeded in non-traditional trades. For example, more women are going into engineering, electrical, building and construction, mining, and agriculture
- During National Skills Week, SkillsOne Television will be running programming opportunities and careers in the vocational sector on Foxtel (Aurora - Channel 183) and TV4ME (Channel 7 digital). Details of the programming and times will be found at www.skillsone.com.au

Visit www.skillsone.com.au and to find out about events from 2013, visit www.nationalskillsweek.com.au. For more information, please contact Amelie Deasey on 02 8080 0111, or email amelie.deasey@skillsone.com.au