

# Careers in International Aid

Does a career in International Aid and Development work appeal to you?  
Are you keen to use your skills to benefit those in developing communities?

## Lunchtime workshop

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

**Thursday 17 April 2008**

Eastern Avenue Lecture Theatre

There will be a follow up question and answer session in Lecture Room 404 (upstairs) from 2:00 to 3:00 pm

This workshop is presented by **guest speakers** Kelli Barham (HR Manager) and Anne Gamit (HR & Volunteer Co-ordinator) from **Austcare** ([www.austcare.org.au](http://www.austcare.org.au)). A colleague with field work experience will also speak.

The workshop will cover the following topics:

- The range and types of work available for graduates in International Aid
- The work of government, commercial and non-government agencies
- Getting your 'foot in the door' by gaining experience (either paid and/or non-paid work)
- What it is like working in the field and 'behind the scenes' in policy, research, monitoring and support
- The reality vs the idealism of working in International Aid
- Key websites

The presentation slides will be available on the Careers Centre website

<http://www.careers.usyd.edu.au/students/students/download.shtml>

## Recommended websites and further reading

### Australian Council for International Development

This is a peak body of accredited NGOs, describes aid projects and has a jobs database and well as a wealth of other information [www.acfid.asn.au](http://www.acfid.asn.au)

**AusAid** [www.ausaid.gov.au/](http://www.ausaid.gov.au/)

**Australian Development Gateway** [www.developmentgateway.com.au](http://www.developmentgateway.com.au)

**The Australian National Internships Program** [www.anu.edu.au/anip](http://www.anu.edu.au/anip)

**Pathways Australia** [www.pathwaysaustralia.com.au](http://www.pathwaysaustralia.com.au)

**Pro Bono Australia** [www.probonoaustralia.com.au](http://www.probonoaustralia.com.au)

**Idealist.org** [www.idealist.org](http://www.idealist.org)

**NGO Recruitment** <http://www.bradmanrecruitment.com/ngo/index.php>

**Becoming an Aid Worker** (article on Transitions Abroad.com)

[www.transitionsabroad.com/publications/magazine/0409/becoming\\_an\\_international\\_aid\\_worker.shtml](http://www.transitionsabroad.com/publications/magazine/0409/becoming_an_international_aid_worker.shtml)

**Careers in International Aid and Community Development** (article on University of Melbourne Careers & Employment website)

[http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/careers/student/overseas/int\\_aid.html](http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/careers/student/overseas/int_aid.html)

There is a range of **Clubs and Societies** on campus in the Humanitarian / Community Aid and Environmental areas you can join. Get involved in their activities and build on your experience for your CV.

<http://www.usuonline.com/>

The **Careers Centre** at The University of Sydney has links for **volunteering roles**

<http://www.careers.usyd.edu.au/students/resources/volunteer.shtml>

**Book:** Jane Lyons. *Save the World – working to help others. Australians tell their career stories.* Career FAQs Pty Ltd. Ultimo: 2006. Reference copy available at Careers Centre and Fisher Library (331.1241361 1) and can be ordered at Coop Bookshop (ISBN 9781921106262) \$29.95 / \$26.95 members