

Burdekin Shire Council is currently seeking applications for a Trainee Administration Officer. The successful applicant will complete a traineeship in the Finance and Administrative Services Department learning basic clerical and administration tasks while undertaking a Certificate III in Business Administration. The traineeship qualification has a nominal duration of 12 months.

This traineeship opportunity is made available with the assistance of funding under the Queensland Government's Skilling Queenslanders for Work – First Start Program. The First Start Program primarily targets young Queensland school leavers and disadvantaged job seekers considered at risk of enduring prolonged periods of unemployment. Funding eligibility will be assessed upon receipt of your application. The First Start Program funding guideline is available at <https://training.qld.gov.au/site/community-orgs/Documents/funded/sqw/first-start-funding-guidelines.pdf>.

The key responsibilities include:

- Daily receipt and dispatch of mail
- Scanning and registration of daily correspondence into Council's record keeping system
- Organise and serve morning and afternoon teas and lunches for meetings

Applicants should familiarise themselves with the entire position description.

Wages and Conditions of employment will be determined in accordance with the Order – Apprentices' and Trainees' Wages and Conditions (Excluding Certain Queensland Government Entities) 2003; Training Wage Award – State 2012 and Council's Certified Agreement. Currently, the salary ranges from \$676.91 to \$1,260.15 gross per fortnight dependent upon age and the highest year of schooling completed.

Application packages are available from the Human Resources Office on (07) 4783 9800 or Council's website [www.burdekin.qld.gov.au](http://www.burdekin.qld.gov.au).

Applications for **17/41 – Trainee Administration Officer** should include:

- A cover letter
- A current resume
- Statements addressing the selection criteria found in the position description
- Traineeship Eligibility Questionnaire

Applications can be submitted using one of the following methods:

- By email to – [employment@burdekin.qld.gov.au](mailto:employment@burdekin.qld.gov.au)
- By mail to – Confidential Application No. 17/41  
PO Box 974  
AYR QLD 4807

Applications close on Friday, 13 October 2017. Word or PDF format is preferable.

For further information please contact Jacqui Thomasson – Administration and Records Coordinator on (07) 4783 9800.

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The following information is required from applicants to confirm eligibility for participation.

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<https://training.qld.gov.au/site/community-orgs/Documents/funded/sqw/first-start-funding-guidelines.pdf>.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Are you aged between 15-24 years of age?  No  Yes

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2. Are you aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander?  No  Yes

3. Mature-age job seeker (45 years or older)  No  Yes

4. Migrants and refugees from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds

No  Yes

5. Person with a disability  No  Yes

6. Displaced worker  No  Yes

7. Women re-entering the workforce  No  Yes

If yes, please advise \_\_\_\_\_

8. Are you currently on any government benefits (e.g. Newstart or Disability)  No  Yes

If yes, please advise \_\_\_\_\_

9. Are you currently registered with a job network provider  No  Yes

If yes, please advise \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Position Number</b>	20044
<b>Certified Agreement</b>	Burdekin Shire Council Enterprise Bargaining Agreement
<b>Award</b>	Queensland Local Government Officers Award - State
<b>Award Descriptor Group</b>	Administrative Services
<b>Award Descriptor Level</b>	Level 1
<b>Reports To</b>	Administration and Records Coordinator
<b>Place of Employment</b>	Council Chambers, 145 Young Street, Ayr

## Position Objective

Complete a one year traineeship in the Finance and Administrative Services Department learning basic clerical and administration tasks while undertaking a course of study. Undertake a range of clerical activities requiring the application of acquired skills and knowledge within clearly defined guidelines.

## Key Responsibilities

Council is committed to a One Team One Council approach where all departments work collaboratively together to achieve value for money for the rate payers of the Burdekin.

Accordingly the key responsibilities may be modified from time to time to ensure the expected outcomes are coordinated with Council's operational and corporate plans. Without limiting the above, the key responsibilities shall include:

- Perform a range of clerical activities requiring the application of established work procedures.
- Daily receipt and dispatch of mail.
- Scanning and registration of daily correspondence into Council's record keeping system (Technology One Enterprise Content Management System).
- Organise and serve morning and afternoon teas and lunches for meetings when required.
- Provide support requiring the exercise of sound judgement, confidentiality and sensitivity.
- Miscellaneous duties as allocated by supervisor.

## Position Requirements

### Knowledge

- Developing knowledge of clerical and administrative practices and procedures. Understanding of basic computing system functions and tasks.
- Developing knowledge of section and department function and operation.
- Developing knowledge of Council structure.
- Developing knowledge of statutory requirements.

#### Skills

- Basic numeracy skills.
- Sound keyboard skills.
- Basic telephone technique.
- Reading comprehension.
- Active learning.
- Active listening.
- Developing teamwork skills.
- Service orientation.
- Operate modern office equipment.
- Fundamentally proficient in the use of Microsoft Office applications.
- Developing time management skills.

#### Abilities

- Oral expression.
- Oral comprehension.
- Written comprehension.
- Written expression.

#### Other Requirements

- Ability to complete a Certificate III in Business Administration within 12 months.
- Personal characteristics of integrity, honesty, reliability, and commitment.
- Apply conditions of confidentiality to work-related material and situations.

#### Experience and Qualifications

- Minimum of Year 10 education.
- C class Drivers Licence.

### Award Classification

These classification characteristics are drawn directly from the Queensland Local Government Officers Award and are used as a guide to determine the level of this position, but may not form a specific part of the key responsibilities:

#### Organisational Relationships

- Works under direct supervision.

#### Extent of Authority

- Work outcomes are clearly monitored.
- Freedom to act limited by standards and procedures.
- Solutions to problems found in established procedures and instructions, assistance readily available.
- No scope for interpretation.

### Core Competencies

These competencies relate to Level 1 positions of the Local Government Officers Award:

#### Teamwork

- Participate in team-based activities.

- Respect other team members.
- Complete the tasks allocated to you.
- Know the team goals, parameters, and major issues.
- Work within the parameters.
- Contribute willingly to team activities.
- Accept decisions, even those with which you disagree.

#### Customer Service

- Treat both internal and external customers with courtesy and respect.
- Work according to agreed customer service standards within your team.
- Contribute towards setting customer service standards within your team.

#### Communication

- Write in a way that your reader can understand.
- Listen and speak clearly to your colleagues and customers.

#### Quality

- Work according to agreed quality standards within your team.
- Contribute towards setting quality standards within your team.
- Monitor your work and identify opportunities for improving quality.
- Suggest improvements through the customer request system.

#### Environment

- Work according to agreed environmental standards within your team.
- Contribute towards setting environmental standards within your team.
- Monitor your work for opportunities to reduce adverse impacts on the environment.
- Report incidents and suggest improvements through the customer request system.

#### Work Health and Safety

- Work safely and in accordance with the relevant work method statements and procedures.
- Encourage your colleagues to work safely.
- Identify hazards and assess risks in the workplace.
- Use organisational systems, such as customer service requests, to identify and rectify hazards, near misses, and non-compliances with procedures.

#### Efficiency

- Undertake tasks in an efficient and timely manner.
- Suggest improvements through the customer request system.

#### General

1. This is a description of the job as it is at present constituted. It is the practice of this organisation periodically to examine employees' job descriptions and to update them to ensure that they relate to the job as then being performed, or to incorporate whatever changes are being proposed. This procedure is jointly conducted by each manager in consultation with those reporting directly to him or her. Therefore you will be expected to participate fully in such discussions. It is the Organisation's aim to reach agreement to reasonable changes where identified.

2. Whilst employment is in the position described in this document it is understood that employment is with Burdekin Shire Council. In the event of organisational change or restructure, Council may require employees to undertake other roles for which they are qualified and capable of performing.
3. Employees may be required to undertake a variety of duties not related to their substantive role in times of disaster.
4. All employees are responsible for making and keeping records in accordance with legislation, information standards and other relevant guidelines and procedures, and ensuring they are captured in the authorised recordkeeping system, Technology One Enterprise Content Management (ECM).
5. Failure to maintain any licence or certificate, which is a condition of your employment, may result in demotion or termination as Council is unable to guarantee your transfer to a position not requiring the said licence or certificate.
6. All employees are expected to participate in Council's Induction Program and future training opportunities to maintain a current knowledge base and provide excellent service levels for internal and external customers.
7. All employees are to actively participate in the Employee Performance Development Program.
8. All employees must work in accordance with the standards contained within Council's Code of Conduct. Failure to do so may lead to disciplinary action up to and including termination of employment.
9. All employees are encouraged to be a contributing member to the wider Burdekin community and therefore it is highly recommended that you take up permanent residency within three months of the successful completion of your probationary period.
10. Abide by all existing policies, guidelines, and Operational Standards and as amended from time to time.

## Selection Criteria

It is essential to respond to each criterion with one or two paragraphs explaining how you have demonstrated each particular skill or quality, and including examples from your work experiences. Short-listing of candidates will be based upon an assessment of how well the following selection criteria are addressed.

### Essential

1. Demonstrated ability to undertake a course of further study.
2. Demonstrated sound written and verbal communication skills.
3. Demonstrated ability to work in a small team environment.
4. Demonstrated basic telephone, numeracy and keyboarding skills.
5. Sound working knowledge of Microsoft Office applications.

### Desirable

1. Minimum of a C Class driver's licence.