

Rugby Union: Coach in Australia

Duration: 12 - 19 weeks



Overview

This is a great chance to pass on your knowledge and enthusiasm to junior rugby players in Australia. You'll earn cash and gain loads of experience working with a team of mini Aussies. You'll live and work alongside other participants so look forward to making lots of new friends and influencing the next generation of Australian rugby legends.

Recommended for:

- Earning cash through paid coaching
- Developing your coaching skills
- A first hand taste of Aussie lifestyle
- Time to explore Australia

At a glance:

- Around 10 hours per week of coaching
- Develop future Aussie rugby stars
- Share an apartment with other participants
- Sport Lived mentor on hand 24/7

Sporting adventures

Our rugby coaching placements last 12 - 19 weeks during the Australian rugby season. You'll coach sport to youngsters and can expect around 10 hours of paid coaching work a week. On the 12 week programme you will be coaching for part of the school rugby season and on the 19 week programme you will get to coach for the entire season. You'll share 4-star accommodation in some of Australia's most vibrant cities. Living with other Sport Lived participants gives you a whole new group of friends whilst overseas.

Prices and dates...

Location	Duration	From	To	Price

Brisbane	12 weeks	21/03/2011	12/06/2011	£ 4395
Brisbane	19 weeks	21/03/2011	31/07/2011	£ 6195

FAQs

1. What type of visa do I need and what are the restrictions?

UK citizens aged 18-30 are normally eligible for an Australian Working Holiday Visa. This Visa enables holders to live and work in Australia for upto 12 months. It costs around £150 and can take upto 4 weeks to process so we recommend getting the paperwork sorted well in advance of your departure.

For more information see the [Travel & Visa](#) section in the Need to Know area of our site.

2. What's included in the price of my programme and how much spending money will I require?

The cost of the Sport Lived experience programme includes the following:

- 4-star accommodation including most household bills (telephone and internet charges are **NOT covered**)
- organisation of your rugbycoaching programme
- airport pick-up at the start of your programme
- mentor support throughout your stay
- a handbook with useful information

The programme cost does **NOT** include the following:

- flights, insurance, visas, return airport transfer, local transport or food

Your main costs whilst overseas will be transport, match/competition fees plus food and beer money. A [cost of living guide](#) for each Sport Lived destination is provided in the Need to Know section. This should help you plan and budget for your time away.

3. Do I need to be an experienced coach?

No! To guarantee your rugby coaching placement, you should obtain relevant coaching qualifications prior to departure. This will give you the necessary skills to plan and organise coaching sessions.

In addition, gaining practical coaching experience will provide excellent preparation for your programme.

4. How much will I earn from my coaching work?

Rates of pay for coaching compare very favourably to other forms of casual work in Australia. We can't guarantee your rates in advance, but you can expect to earn \$15-25 per hour. Based on around 10 hours per week this equates to a weekly wage of \$150-\$250.

5. When will I find out full details of my programme e.g. who I will be coaching and where I will live?

Once you have submitted a booking form, we'll start working behind the scenes to put everything in place for the perfect programme. 3-4 weeks later you'll receive a confirmation document outlining your programme and providing key dates.

Final payment is due 12 weeks prior to departure, and once received we can finalise your programme. We will send details of your new address and flatmates in Oz, and information on the school at which you will be coaching.

The pre-departure briefing takes place around 8 weeks prior to departure, and provides a chance for you and your parents to meet up with the Sport Lived team and fellow participants, as well as asking any remaining questions.

Upon arrival in Australia, you'll meet the Director of Sport at your school. He or she will then assign you to a junior team and let you know the days and times of your coaching work.

5. How can I find out more general information?

Hopefully, most key pieces of information are available on the website where you can download programme notes, prices and dates. Our [Need to Know](#) section also contains lots of useful information. If you have other questions or just want to have a chat, we're always available either on the phone or via email.

We know that planning a trip overseas can be scary at times and there's loads to think about. So don't hesitate to get in touch if you need to discuss anything at all.

Your pad

Accommodation is key to the Sport Lived experience. You'll live in 4-star centrally located apartments. Your rugby coaching placement will be easily accessible by public transport, and with lots of bars, clubs, restaurants and shops located close by there are plenty of places to enjoy your spare time!

At a glance:

- 4-star fully furnished apartments
- Located close to transport and nightlife
- Shared with other Sport Lived participants
- Stress free - price includes most bills

Home from home...

Apartments are shared with other Sport Lived participants and include many mod-cons. Each complex has a 24 hour reception and many have an in house swimming pool and gym. Apartments are fully furnished including a TV, linen, kitchen appliances, washing machines, etc. They are also serviced weekly so you won't need to spend too much time cleaning!

NB: Illustrative accommodation pictures.

Additional work

You'll have plenty of time outside your coaching schedule should you wish to find additional work. As well as further boosting your CV and bank balance, finding another job will help you meet more people and provide more structure to your time away.

Top tips for getting work:

- Plan the type of work you'd like to obtain
- Try to gain relevant work experience
- Prepare a CV and have two references
- Be proactive & persistent in job hunting

Employment options:

- Café/bar work: sociable environment
- Office work: good rates of pay
- Officiating: umpiring/refereeing work
- Work experience: boost your CV

Working in Australia

You'll be living close to lots of employment options like offices, shops, bars and restaurants. Your Sport Lived mentor, and contacts made through your coaching placement, will be able to help you find extra work.

Coaching rugby in Australia

So, you're passionate about rugby and want to share this with youngsters in an exciting overseas environment? With a Sport Lived coaching placement, you can develop your own coaching skills whilst passing your knowledge and enthusiasm on to the next generation.

Overview

Our Australian rugby coaching placements last for 12 - 19 weeks. You'll be working with a local Aussie school or club rugby team. On average, coaches can expect around 10 hours of paid work per week and, if you like, it is often possible to supplement this with work as a referee.

Challenging

Coaches generally work with a rugby team for an entire school term helping to develop skills and work on match tactics. The structure of our programmes allows you to build a bond with your team and work on their development over a sustained period, which is highly rewarding. A Sport Lived coaching placement is also a great addition to any CV. You'll develop organisational, leadership and communication skills. Having taken responsibility for a team of mini-Aussies you'll feel ready for anything!

Qualifications

In order to guarantee your Sport Lived rugby coaching programme, you'll need to obtain coaching qualifications before you leave. As a minimum, you should obtain an RFU Level 1 Coaching Qualification or higher. We also recommend that you get as much as possible practical coaching experience before your departure.

In addition, you'll require a basic First Aid Qualification (e.g. St John's Ambulance or Red Cross). If you're unable to obtain a rugby coaching or First Aid qualification before you join us please let us know. Some schools are happy to employ coaches who just have playing and coaching experience. We can also help you to enrol you on a coaching and First Aid course when you arrive in Australia.

Further details of how and where to obtain rugby coaching qualifications can be found at the [RFU website](#).

Social life

You'll be living with other Sport Lived participants who are playing and coaching a wide variety of sports. This provides a ready made group of friends for you to get together with and explore life in your chosen Aussie city.