



**Australian Government**  
**Department of Defence**  
Science and Technology

Early Career Opportunities

# Recruiting Australia's brightest researchers

Join Australia's brightest and most innovative scientists, engineers and cyber specialists at the forefront of international defence research.

As one of the world's leading defence science and technology organisations, DST supports every aspect of Australia's national defence capability. If a soldier eats it, wears it, thinks it, uses it or has to fight against it, there's every chance that DST has done the research behind it.

The Australian Defence Force relies on the best scientific advice and technology solutions to safeguard the country and that's why we recruit only the best and the brightest.

We seek candidates in the following disciplines:

- Aerospace/aeronautical engineering, and naval architecture
- Computer sciences, IT, software engineering, Telecommunications
- Electronic/electrical engineering
- Psychology and social sciences
- Materials science
- Mechanical and mechatronic engineering (including robotics)
- Chemical, radiological, biological and food sciences
- Mathematics and physics

## Why choose DST?

- Experience a stimulating and dynamic culture that fosters scientific excellence through innovation, creativity and professional development programs.
- Work alongside and be mentored by some of the world's brightest scientists to deliver innovative solutions in support of Australia's Defence and national security.
- Share in the rewards – challenging projects, a supportive team environment that values diversity; and flexible, lifestyle-friendly work conditions.

## Current opportunities

View all career opportunities on the DST website:  
[dst.defence.gov.au/careers/job-vacancies](https://dst.defence.gov.au/careers/job-vacancies)

## Further information

Please email [ECR@dst.defence.gov.au](mailto:ECR@dst.defence.gov.au)



# Careers you might not expect

Think a career in Defence science is not for you? Think again. DST offers careers in virtually every STEM discipline you can imagine. From psychology to physics, engineering to cyber, there is an opportunity waiting for you. Open yourself up to the possibilities - choose a DST career.



**Huon Bornstein** is driving the future of our ground forces.

He's testing his designs to make Australia's armoured vehicles tougher – using the water they carry. Store it in the right way and it can protect the vehicle, and its passengers, against landmines and improvised explosive devices.

**Renée Webster** keeps Australia's defences moving. She tests fuels for contaminants that can cause engine damage.

She's also exploring new fuels. In a crisis, could our jets, tanks and submarines run on fuel from algae or sugar cane?

"The cool thing that I love about analytical chemistry is that you can apply it to any area. People always need to know what their stuff is and how much stuff they have," she says.



**Brad Baker** knows an army marches on its stomach.

Australian Special Forces burn 7,000 calories a day—more than 12 hamburgers worth. To meet these requirements, Brad's blending sports science with military nutrition to deliver rations that are quick and easy to eat, durable, packable and tasty.

Brad built his expertise through a Masters in Nutrition and Dietetics at the University of Queensland. He's returned to his island home of Tasmania to work with DST in Scottsdale, an hour east from Launceston. He is now responsible for feeding Australian soldiers at barracks, on the ground and in the air.

