

Role: **Assistance Dog Instructor (Level 3/Level 4)**

Location: **Orchard Hills NSW**

Role Type: **Full-Time**

About the role - Assistance Dogs Instructor (Level 3/Level 4)

We are a globally respected national not-for-profit organisation that values its team members and is committed to fostering a positive and inclusive workplace culture. We are currently seeking a talented **Assistance Dog Instructor (level 3-4)** to join our National Training/Instructor team by playing a key role in supporting our volunteer and client dog journey. This role is based in **Orchard Hills** area of Sydney but will **involve potential travel** as well.

ADA breeds, trains and places assistance dogs with Australians in unique situations. We currently specialise in support for people with a disability, autism or post-traumatic stress disorder; as well as providing a range of services to these individuals and their families. Our assistance dogs can potentially provide increased independence, self-esteem, improved health and relationships to individuals and families.

The role of **Assistance Dog Instructor** is diverse and covers several aspects of Assistance Dog work. This will include elements of dog training with dogs entering our advanced training stages, and then further specialised focus on executing our client/dog placement program and classes. Engagement with our valued Volunteers and puppies in their care.

About YOU & your experience

- The desire to work with dogs who have a big purpose in this world
- A strong focus on both our dogs and clients, with the ability to build authentic and ongoing relationships
- Empathy and understanding of the diverse needs within our client groups
- Sound understanding of dog behaviour and learning principles, as well as a commitment to positive reinforcement
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills with a genuine ability to connect and build rapport
- You thrive being part of a team who leans in to help each other succeed
- Have strong ability to balance your daily priorities, but an openness and ability to pivot when needed



- Certificate III in Animal Behaviour and Training, equivalent or higher. Or be prepared to complete the accreditation once employed
- Proven professional experience working with dogs (Assistance Dogs highly regarded)
- Proven ability to maintain accurate client reports in a timely manner (Salesforce CRM knowledge highly regarded)
- Strong problem-solving abilities
- You must hold FULL working rights in Australia
- The role is also eligible for **'not for profit' salary packaging - up to \$15,900 a year**

ADA are proud to be an inclusive workplace that reflects our clients and the broader community that we serve. We are always committed to providing a work environment in which everyone is included, treated fairly and with respect.

How to Apply:

Ready to join Team ADA and have the right experience we are searching for?

Send us your resume along with a cover letter telling us why you'd be a great fit for this role.

Got questions or want to learn more about this exciting opportunity? Reach out to our **People & Culture Business Partner, Tayla Watkins**, on **0466 007 429** or email twatkins@assistancedogs.org.au