

Property Developer



Description

Property developers organise and plan for the purchase, development and sale of new and existing properties.

Property developers work indoors in offices and outdoors on building sites for fieldwork. They are required to travel between these locations

Typical duties

- work out what is the best use for the property
- research the values of land to work out the feasibility or profitability of the project
- plan a property development schedule, covering the timing needed for the construction and sale or lease of the buildings
- talk to architects and builders
- get permits from local councils
- visit construction sites and direct the activities of builders.

Personal

requirements

- interest in design and computer graphics
- Interest in geography;
- ability to work neatly and accurately, paying attention to detail;
- good at mathematics and science;
- able to work as part of a team.

Qualification

The names of qualifications vary from institution to institution and include:

- Bachelor of Building Construction Management
- Bachelor of Property Economics
- Bachelor of Commerce (Property Economics)
- Graduate Diploma of Building Surveying
- Graduate Diploma of Construction Management and Economics

You may be able to study through distance education. Contact your chosen institution or Open Learning Australia for more information.

The Australian Property Institute offers student membership to those studying accredited courses, with graduate membership available on completion of studies. With further experience as a property developer and continual professional development, associate and fellow memberships are also available.



Entry pathway You can work as a property developer without formal qualifications. You will probably get some informal training on the job.

However, entry to this occupation may be improved if you have a degree at university with a major in property. To get into these courses, you will need to pass your Year 12 with English and maths. Different universities have different subjects and cut-off scores, and some have flexible entry requirements, so contact the universities you are interested in for more information.

Job prospects Property developers are mainly employed by large organizations that can provide the initial capital required when beginning projects.

Employment opportunities for property developers largely depend on the state of the economy and therefore fluctuate considerably

Related Jobs

➤ Land Economist	➤ Construction Project Manager
➤ Building Contractor	➤ Building Site Manager
➤ Building Surveyor	➤ Real Estate Salesperson

Further information Australian Property Institute [<http://www.api.org.au/>]

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