

VALUATION NSW EXTENDS GRADUATE PROGRAM

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Exciting opportunities are being offered to launch a new career with NSW's valuation agency, Valuation NSW, offering up to seven new graduate positions in property valuation.

Valuation NSW CEO Stewart McLachlan said applications are now open for the second year of the agency's Graduate Program, creating training and job opportunities for new industry entrants.

"Valuation NSW's Graduate Program is a once in lifetime opportunity to start your valuation career with mentoring from leaders in their respective fields who are responsible for administering the state's valuation system" Mr McLachlan said.

"Valuation NSW will teach you how the property sector works while building analytical skills and knowledge of valuation methodologies and market trends, to enable you to pursue a range of career paths in the industry."

Valuation NSW supports the Valuer General and is responsible for the state's valuation system, determining the value of land for rates and taxes. It keeps tabs on more than 2.6 million parcels of land in NSW valued at over \$2.80 trillion.

Valuation NSW also provides independent assessments of compensation paid for land that is compulsorily acquired when landowners cannot agree on a value.

In addition, Valuation NSW also provides valuation advice and services across Government including in the areas of bespoke and complex valuations and methodologies, broad brush valuation and risk mitigation strategies, as well as valuations for some of the State's key assets.

Applications for the Graduate Program are now open from Friday 15 March until Sunday 31 March, with successful applicants to be notified in April and commence in late May 2024.

The 24-month program will see graduates experience up to four work rotations of up to six months each with different teams within Valuation NSW, to give them a wide breadth of training and learning experiences.

Sally Dale, who broke new ground as NSW's first female Valuer General, started her career as a graduate some 30 years ago and has seen the profound impact of nurturing talent and fostering growth.

"My graduate experience equipped me with the foundational knowledge essential for navigating the complexities of residential, commercial, and industrial valuations," Ms Dale said.

"It was the springboard that propelled me to launch my own franchise business and later establish a valuation firm."

Ms Dale went on to lead a graduate program in a former role at a multinational, during which she grew its Sydney business from 5 to over 60 valuers making it one of the city's largest valuation firms, before continuing her career which has included her appointment as Valuer General.

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Hetvi Shah, who secured a full-time ongoing role as a valuer with Valuation NSW after being selected for last year's Graduate Program, said the program provided her with a unique opportunity to explore and learn valuation practices.

"The hands-on experience and invaluable mentoring have set me up for success in my chosen career path," Ms Shah said.

"What sets this program apart is not only its focus on learning and development, but also its flexible working conditions. I believe it's one of the best graduate programs out there for aspiring valuers."

The Graduate Program is open to Australian or New Zealand citizens or permanent residents of Australia with a strong interest in learning about the property valuation industry. Ideally, applicants will have completed or be undertaking qualifications required for Associate Membership of the Australian Property Institute.

Graduates can work in and around metropolitan Sydney and in regional offices across NSW. Flexible work conditions will allow graduates to work more hours on some days and less on others for a 35-hour week. Applicants must submit a current resume.

Valuation NSW was ranked equal first globally in 2019 by the International Property Tax Institute review of Property Tax Administration Systems. In 2020, it won the Valuation Team of the Year Award at the Australian Property Institute's Excellence in Property Awards for an innovative Review of the Impact of Bushfires on Land Values.

For more information and to submit an application for the Graduate Program, visit: iworkfor.nsw.gov.au or valuergeneral.nsw.gov.au