

AUSTRALASIAN COLLEGE OF ROAD SAFETY



ACRS Register of Road Safety Professionals Minimum Standards for Applicants

(Note: Applicants must be current members of the ACRS and have a minimum of five years experience in their field)

Discipline	Minimum academic qualification	Are there specific tasks that should have been undertaken and, if so, how many times?	Publications* or presentations at seminars/conferences	Other essential minimum standards
Management/Policy/ Administration	Bachelor degree or equivalent	5 policies or programs	5 reports on significant matters	
Audit	Transport or civil engineering degree or equivalent or post-graduate studies in traffic accident investigation, road design and construction	Successful completion 2-3 day course in recognised road safety auditing or participation in at least 5 road safety audits	Not essential, but useful	Should already be working as an auditor hired by government or industry and accredited as an auditor by any state authority
Driver Education	Cert IV in Workplace Training and Assessment or equivalent or a bachelor degree or equivalent	Submission of government-sanctioned driver related paper; 3 major consulting/training programs with large wheel fleet operators or high school driver training operations	3 conference papers	Successful employment of instructors/contractors; completion of a road safety course;
Enforcement	Tertiary level highly desirable – Diploma or BA Police Studies or Criminal Justice or equivalent	Current or recent appointment to middle management level, two examples of developing enforcement strategies/programs; ability to identify and analyse trends; provided training to law enforcement practitioners	3 papers	Good driving record, recognised expert in the field with a global view of the subject
Engineering	Civil or Mechanical Engineering degree or equivalent	Has participated in design of roads, barriers or vehicles where safety systems were involved and/or road safety policy related	Minimum 3 papers	
Medicine	Bachelor of Medicine or Surgery or registration as a medical practitioner or related health science professional	Working directly in road trauma area or research or biomechanics	At least one peer- reviewed publication and 4 presentations at seminars, etc	

Occupational Health and Safety	Bachelor degree in Arts or Science in related discipline or equivalent and extra qualifications in OHS & related science desired	Initiate, draft or implement at least 5 road safety policies or programs of some significance	Minimum of 3 papers or presentations	Demonstrated understanding of how to use data/research to inform policy development
Psychology	Bachelor degree in Psychology or equivalent	Substantial body of work, programs, papers and research; road safety data analysis, report writing, road behaviour recording	Not essential but useful	
Research and Evaluation	Academic/tertiary qualifications that are internationally recognised	Undertake and publish research and provide policy advice	Essential – 3 evaluation-related reports, PhD focused evaluation, or peer reviewed papers	Peer esteem – contribution to the field, publications in peer reviewed journals
Road Crash Reconstruction	Relevant bachelor degree in Engineering or Science or equivalent, plus completion of an accredited crash reconstruction course**	At least 5 formal written reports on reconstruction of vehicle accidents, to a standard acceptable to criminal/civil or magistrate proceedings	Not essential, but useful as it assists verifying applicants minimum academic qualifications. Peer reviewed papers would carry more weight	Demonstrated above 'normal' crash reconstruction expertise in related area eg. Simulations, surveying, crash analysis, etc.
Road Safety Education	Bachelor degree in Social or Behavioural Science, Education or Related Field or equivalent	Conducted broad or state wide campaigns or programs, or community road safety education; should consistently engage with educational field and have developed RSE curriculum/ resources/pedagogy at least annually; or two major reviews of a TSA program or significant teacher resource	3 papers minimum	Active participant on road safety committees or organisations

- * When listing publications, applicants should list in date order, preferably with the most recent publication first. (Include only published items or items which have been accepted for publication in the final form, preferably with page numbers. For each yet to be published item please attach a copy of the publisher's letter advising of acceptance for publication.) List publications in this order: Books, Book Chapters, Refereed Journal Articles, Non-refereed Journal Articles and Reports not included elsewhere, Major Reviews, Book Review Articles and Refereed Conference Proceedings (including pagination for all articles).
- ** The ACRS currently recognises the following Road Crash Reconstruction courses: ACTAR Northwest University Traffic Institute course; Society of Automotive Engineers (Australia) Crash Reconstruction course (Sgt Peter Bellion); and University of Florida and Institute of Police Technology Management Crash Reconstruction (Canberra) course (Paul Feenan). Other courses may be considered on application please check with the Register Manager