

Understanding Rail

An introduction to the rail industry

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Our highly popular Understanding Rail course is now online, bringing this comprehensive introduction to the rail industry straight to your home or office. Whether you are new to the rail industry, have recently started a new role, or simply want to brush up on your industry knowledge, this is the ideal opportunity to take the next step in your career in rail.

When you complete the Understanding Rail online course, you will:

- Gain an overview of the rail industry and its terminology
- Learn about the rail industry's contribution to our economy and community, and how current policies, projects and innovation will drive its future
- Discover the different types of rail infrastructure and rollingstock, and how to ensure their safe and efficient management across the asset lifecycle
- Learn about the complexities of safely operating a rail network, and the systems that keep it moving
- Gain an understanding of the range of businesses that make up the rail supply chain, and how they work together
- Find out how to apply this knowledge to your own workplace

Register to join this transformative, five-week experience to learn about the rail industry in Australia and New Zealand.


Hear direct from industry leaders and experts as you work through this highly interactive program to lay the foundations for progressing your career in rail.

What's involved?

- Five-week online course
- Five, 1.5 hour live and interactive webinars
- Further requirements for approximately two hours per week of interactive educational activities via our online platform
- The chance to network with participants and access additional online content

Registration Fee

ARA members:	Non-members:
\$1265	\$1760

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LEARN FROM INDUSTRY LEADERS

Understanding Rail features content delivered by leaders and experts from across the Australian rail industry. Learn from their insights gained across many years working in the industry as they provide a practical guide to the rail industry.

Featured presenters include

ANDREW PEARCE

Operations Director of Engineering,
Canberra Metro

JULIAN SHARP

Contractors Project Director, CPB and
ARA Board Member

LOIC AYOUL

Co-Founder, Future Maintenance Technologies

JOHN MCARTHUR

Chief Commercial Officer, One Rail Australia
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STEVE BROGAN

Chief of Policy and Research, Infrastructure
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General Manager, Supply Chain, ARA

JOELEY PETTIT

Director Corporate Affairs, Passenger Rail &
Sustainability, ARA

GEORGIA NICHOLLS


General Manager – Rail Freight & Heavy Haul

What have past participants told us?

"The course has surprised in how much information has been provided in such a well presented, thorough way, that has not been overwhelming and - in fact - quite the opposite. The webinars were each fantastic in topics, content and delivery."

"This course has helped me have a broader understanding of rail operations, which I will be able apply in my work. It has also helped to have more exposure to technical terms as I slowly become familiar with each one!"

"This course exceeded my expectations by providing a much broader understanding of key aspects of the rail industry. It reinforced the importance of rail and its benefits now and for future generations. The course material was interesting and delivered professionally. I found it rewarding to reflect on how much more of a holistic view I have of the industry now compared to what I knew before the course. It has given me more confidence that the rail industry has a bright future, with many opportunities, and it reinforced that I made the right decision to join one year ago this week."

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Want to know more?

For more information, contact ARA Events Manager Kathy Chandler at kchandler@ara.net.au or learn more about the course [here](#)