

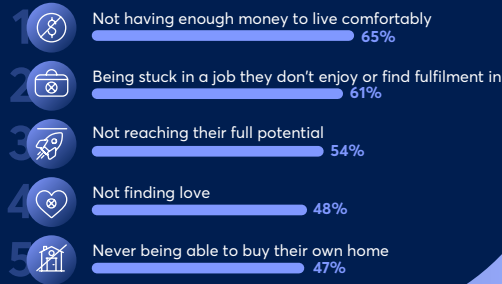
# Understanding today's students

## THE TOP ASPIRATIONS FOR VALUES-DRIVEN GEN Z

### TOP FIVE HOPES



### TOP FIVE FEARS



## STUDENTS APPRECIATE THEIR EDUCATION AND VALUE THEIR TEACHERS



**94%**

of students greatly value having access to an Australian education



**70%**

strongly/somewhat agree they can think of at least one teacher who has made a massive positive difference to their life

## THE SCREEN DILEMMA



**82%**

struggle with spending too much time on technology



**74%**

want to go off social media but haven't because they would miss out on knowing what is happening in the world around them



**65%**

agree social media is having a negative impact on their mental health

## TOP FIVE CHALLENGES FACED BY TODAY'S STUDENTS

*Extremely/very challenging*



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# Future proofing students

HYBRID LEARNING IS THE WAY OF THE FUTURE



70%

of students see their ideal learning situation as hybrid

## COMMUNICATION SKILLS AND COLLABORATION ARE BEST DEVELOPED IN THE CLASSROOM

Which learning environment has best helped you develop the following competencies

**Adaptability** 2x more likely to be developed more online



**Personal organisation** 1.5x more likely to be developed more online



**Communication skills** 1.9x more likely to be developed more in the classroom



**Collaboration skills** 1.9x more likely to be developed more in the classroom



More in the classroom

More online

## FUTURE PROOFING CAREERS

74%

believe life-long learning will be essential for them to future-proof their career

81%

feel at least somewhat equipped by their education to thrive in the workplace in the decade ahead

## KEY DRIVERS FOR CHOOSING A POST-SCHOOL EDUCATION PROVIDER



53% Availability



48% Location



43% Reputation



35% Family



33% Flexibility of course structure

## KEY DESIRES FOR FUTURE CAREERS

Extremely/very important



72%

Having purpose and meaning in their work



68%

Work aligns with their core values



65%

A workplace that is a community of strong social connections



64%

Work they do has a positive impact on the world around them



64%

Workplace flexibility

### Methodology

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