



Jade Maloney
Consultant

Jade is a social researcher and communications expert who manages and works on diverse projects. She has particular expertise in qualitative analysis, literature reviews and media content and discourse analysis.

She is currently studying a Master of Arts in Writing.

Joining ARTD in 2008, Jade brings with her the skills she gained as a publishing coordinator and copy editor: keeping projects running to tight deadlines, attention to detail, skilled interviewing, clear and concise reporting.

Jade draws on her double degree in communications and international studies, with skills in qualitative and media analysis. Jade studied for one year in France at IECS and Sciences Politiques, Strasbourg, where she undertook subjects in political theory and European governance. Jade's major project was to design and conduct research about the experience of rural people, which included interviews with French citizens.

In 2007, Jade won the Richard Braddock Memorial Prize for the highest academic ranking in the Bachelor of Arts (Communication).

Bachelor of Communications (Journalism) and Bachelor of International Studies, University of Technology, Sydney (2007)

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Evaluation

Jade has been the project manager for several evaluation projects in housing and education.

- *Shared Access Trials*, involving 13 housing and support projects for vulnerable groups (Housing NSW, current)
- *Gifted and Talented Aboriginal Students Learning Community* (NSW DET, current)
- *Pilot High School Program* (Camp Quality, 2009)

Jade's role in evaluation projects includes literature reviews, collecting and synthesising qualitative data, developing communications material for evaluation stakeholders and report writing. Recent projects include

- *Helping Children with Autism Package*, (FaHCSIA, current)
- *No Interest Loan Scheme* (Victorian Department of Planning and Community Development, 2009)
- *Homelessness Intervention Project* (Department of Premier and Cabinet, 2010).

Research

Jade has applied her social research skills to research projects, such as

- *Mapping research into early intervention for children with autism spectrum disorder*, scan of the literature and interviews with representatives from Australian allied health peak bodies to identify research into specific interventions, gaps and needs for future research. This project was part of the evaluation of the Helping Children with Autism Package (FaHCSIA, 2009)
- *Analysis of media coverage of the Australian Research Alliance for Children and Youth*, discourse and content analysis as part of ARTD's review of ARACY (FaHCSIA, 2009)
- *Social re-engagement of older people—service scoping*, research describing government and non-government re-engagement services for older people drawing on available literature and interviews with service providers and academics. This document informed the evaluation of Lifeline's two trial social re-engagement programs (Lifeline Australia, 2009).

Communications

Jade uses her communications and publishing experience to ensure the findings of evaluation and research projects are communicated clearly and succinctly. She also writes communications papers and handbooks.

- *Aboriginal Housing Sector Reform Communications*—paper for housing service providers on the reforms to the sector.
- *Private Rental Assistance Communications Paper*—paper for public policy professionals in the housing sector on the findings from the evaluation of Housing NSW's Private Rental Assistance products and services.
- *Quality Improvement Handbook*—handbook of resources and tools for disability advocacy agencies across Australia.