



Degree programs in Nature Tourism & Natural Resources Education

The courses at the Bendigo campus cater for highly motivated students who seek careers in areas associated with conservation, environmental interpretation, natural resources management and nature tourism.

The programs will suit those interested in:

- Spending time in the outdoors
- Understanding and relating to the environment
- Educating people about conservation, sustainability and the environment
- Managing natural resources
- Developing tourism programs to promote natural heritage

You can choose to study in the specialist areas of **Nature Tourism** or **Natural Resources Education**, according to your career preferences.

Bachelor of Arts (Natural Resources Education)

The course provides a comprehensive mix of natural sciences, ecology, parks and wildlife management, environmental law and natural resources management. Graduates will find employment in community organisations, government departments and the corporate sector.

Career Prospects

- Land and natural resources management
- Ranger or education officer in national parks
- Environmental Interpretation for government or corporate sector
- Community education for sustainability and ecology
- Environmental education centres

Bachelor of Arts (Nature Tourism)

Students in Nature Tourism study to become field naturalists and nature guides, and are prepared to take people into various ecosystems to explore, learn about and enjoy them. On foot or in a canoe, students focus on interpreting the environment. A special focus of the program is understanding and interpreting:

- The Murray River system
- The forests and woodlands of central Victoria
- The high country of south-eastern Australia

Career Prospects

- Guide in private nature tourism operations
- Operator of small business in nature tourism
- Ranger or education officer in national parks

Pathway to a Teaching Qualification

Secondary teaching: Depending on electives chosen, graduates of the Nature Tourism or Natural Resources Education programs will be eligible to apply for the one year Graduate Diploma in Education (Secondary) and teach in areas such as Outdoor and Environmental Studies, Geography, Biology, Media and the Humanities.

Primary teaching: Graduates will also be eligible to apply for a one year Graduate Diploma in Education (Primary).

Entry Requirements

The entry requirements for both degree programs are:

- Completion of VCE or mature (NONYR12) entry.
- A study score of 20 or higher in Units 3 and 4 of English (any).

Selection Criteria

For current Year 12 students selection is based on academic performance as indicated by the ENTER score. For middle band applications, completion of Year 12 Outdoor and Environmental Studies, Geography or Physical Education will improve your prospects of selection.

Selection for mature age (over 21 years of age) and NONYR12 students (under 21 but not currently completing Year 12) is via evidence of academic performance [ENTER or STAT] as well as relevant work and outdoor experience. Mature age and NONYR12 applicants must complete a Supplementary Information Form, obtained from the Course Administration Office or downloaded from Faculty of Education website.



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BA (Natural Resources Education)	BA (Nature Tourism)
First Year	
Semester one	
BIO1CO Biology of the Cell and Organism	Elective
OED1AOL Outdoor Living and Travel Skills	OED1AOL Outdoor Living and Travel Skills
OED1WKN Ways of Knowing Nature	OED1WKN Ways of Knowing Nature
OED1RAL Reading Australian Landscapes	OED1RAL Reading Australian Landscapes
Semester two	
GEO1MG Materials Geology	Elective
OED1NS Naturalist Studies	OED1NS Naturalist Studies
OED1WE World Views and the Environment	OED1WE World Views and the Environment
OED1OEE Outdoor Environments	OED1OEE Outdoor Environments
Second Year	
Semester one	
BIO2ECO Ecology	OED2RWE River and Wetland Environments
OED2RCS Regional Catchment Studies	OED2RCS Regional Catchment Studies
OED2EI Environmental Interpretation	OED2EI Environmental Interpretation
Elective	Elective
Semester two	
OED2ACL Australian Culture and Land	OED2ACL Australian Culture and Land
OED2LES Local Environs Study	OED2BE Bush Environments
LST2EL Environmental Law	OED2SNT Sustainable Nature Tourism
Elective	Elective
Third Year	
Semester one	
OED3TNH Teaching Natural History	OED3EO Education in the Outdoors
OED3PWM Parks and Wildlife Management	OED3PWM Parks and Wildlife Management
OED3NSI Naturalist Studies: Interpretation	OED3NSI Naturalist Studies: Interpretation
Elective	Elective
Semester two	
OED3PLM Politics of Land Management	OED3PLM Politics of Land Management
OED3ES Education for Sustainability	OED3ES Education for Sustainability
Elective	OED3NTP Nature Tourism Practicum
Elective	Elective

Tuition Fees

Australian and New Zealand students: Commonwealth Supported Places are available. Further information on HECS-Help can be found at website: www.goingtouni.gov.au

International students:

For information about tuition fees, please refer to the website: www.latrobe.edu.au/international/apply

Course Structure

The courses may be completed in 3 years of full-time study or the part-time equivalent. Units of study are listed in the table following this page.

Further Information and How to Apply

Australian and New Zealand students

Apply through VTAC. Details on line at www.vtac.edu.au or phone 1300 364 133. Applications open end of July.

For further information contact:
 Centre for Excellence in Outdoor and Environmental Education
 La Trobe University, Bendigo Campus
 PO Box 199, Bendigo, Vic. 3552
 Ph: (03) 5444 7285
 Fax: (03) 5444 7848
 Email: outdoor.bendigo@latrobe.edu.au

International students

International students should contact the International Programs Office or visit the below website for information about application procedures and study opportunities at La Trobe University.

International Programs Office

Ph: (+61 3) 9627 4805 or 1800 619 768 (free call within Australia)
 Fax: (+61 3) 9479 3860
 Email: international@latrobe.edu.au
 Web: www.latrobe.edu.au/international

Other important information for international students:

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 Prior to applying to La Trobe University, please refer to the following website for further information on studying in Australia including visa and government requirements, facilities and resources, campus lifestyle, accommodation, living costs, and support services:
www.latrobe.edu.au/international