



**As our society recognises the need for maintaining a healthy, sustainable environment, there is an increasing call for specialists in fields that can combine environmental management and protection, monitoring the effect of human activity upon the environment, and who can undertake rehabilitation and restoration.**

#### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

CSU's School of Environmental Sciences delivers a diverse range of undergraduate courses in Environmental Science and Management, Adventure Ecotourism and Parks, Recreation and Heritage.

The School is based at the Thurgoona site of Albury-Wodonga Campus, Australia's first environmentally friendly university campus.

CSU's commitment to the environment can be seen in a wide range of design features including buildings made from rammed earth and recycled building materials, rehabilitated creeks and wetlands, windmills and solar collectors. One building has even been awarded six green stars and world leader status for its environmentally sustainable features.

#### LEARNING THROUGH EXPERIENCE

Students undertake a workplace internship program in an industry relevant to their course and have the opportunity to participate in an international study tour. This is in addition to the experience and skills gained through their studies.

#### STRONG INDUSTRY LINKS

CSU's environmental science courses are always relevant, thanks to strong industry ties, and evolve to accommodate changing environmental, social and workplace needs. The School fosters working links with the following industry bodies:

- CSIRO
- National Parks and Wildlife Service
- Catchment Management Authorities
- Department of Environment and Climate Change (NSW)
- Department of Sustainability and Environment (Vic)
- Institute for Land, Water and Society

#### ABOUT OUR COURSES

##### **Bachelor of Environmental Science and Management**

This course focuses strongly on field instruction and includes an industry internship in the final year. Extended field opportunities, global perspectives and international field expeditions develop graduates who have the skills to tackle national and international environmental issues. The Bachelor degree has a strong focus on ecological processes at the landscape scale to provide graduates with the broadest possible skills to develop solutions to some of the world's most important environmental issues.

[www.csu.edu.au/courses/undergraduate/environmental\\_science\\_management](http://www.csu.edu.au/courses/undergraduate/environmental_science_management)

##### **Bachelor of Applied Science (Adventure Ecotourism)**

In this degree you will train in the field of nature-based adventure tourism, including the environmental sciences and the business, leadership, communication and social skills much sought after in the ecotourism industry. Students also graduate with a Certificate IV or Diploma in Outdoor Recreation, which provides students with the opportunity to gain key competencies in ski touring, water sports, rock climbing, mountain biking and other adventure based activities.

[www.csu.edu.au/courses/undergraduate/adventure\\_ecotourism](http://www.csu.edu.au/courses/undergraduate/adventure_ecotourism)



For more information about CSU's School of Environmental Sciences visit:  
[www.csu.edu.au/ses](http://www.csu.edu.au/ses)



### **Bachelor of Applied Science (Parks, Recreation and Heritage)**

Developed in conjunction with the National Parks and Wildlife Service, graduates of this course are trained to manage Australia's natural and cultural resources for the purpose of conservation and recreation.

[www.csu.edu.au/courses/undergraduate/parks\\_heritage](http://www.csu.edu.au/courses/undergraduate/parks_heritage)

An Associate Degree in Applied Science (Parks, Recreation and Heritage) is also offered. For more information, visit:

[www.csu.edu.au/courses/undergraduate/parks\\_heritage\\_ad](http://www.csu.edu.au/courses/undergraduate/parks_heritage_ad)

### **FLEXIBLE STUDY OPTIONS**

CSU has developed innovative study methods that allow you the flexibility to help fit university into your life. When studying on campus, you will undertake a combination of lectures and tutorials. Your assessment will usually be based on essays or exams, as well as practical activities in the form of laboratory workshops, fieldwork and work placements.

Many courses are also offered by distance education, allowing students to study where and when they choose, with on campus students often choosing to study by distance education to increase their ability undertake work opportunities and still continue their studies.

CSU students, both on campus and distance education, also have the opportunity to study overseas while gaining credit towards their degree. Through CSU Global, students can study at an overseas university for up to two semesters without paying extra tuition fees and may be able to access financial support from CSU.

### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

Charles Sturt University offers 40 Science Scholarships to students studying in science-based fields. The scholarships provide successful students with \$4,000 per annum for up to four years, subject to satisfactory progress. For information about CSU's general scholarships, visit: [www.csu.edu.au/student/scholarships](http://www.csu.edu.au/student/scholarships)

Industry organisations such as Catchment Management Authorities, the National Parks and Wildlife Service, the Department of Sustainability and Environment (Vic), and several outdoor education/adventure organisations also support our students. For more information about CSU's Science Scholarships visit: [www.csu.edu.au/student/science](http://www.csu.edu.au/student/science)

### **HOW TO APPLY**

Applicants can apply for admission to full-time on campus courses through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) or the Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC).

Applications for distance education study are made directly to the University and can be made online. Full application details are available at: [www.csu.edu.au/study/how-to-apply.htm](http://www.csu.edu.au/study/how-to-apply.htm)

## WHAT OUR STUDENTS SAY...

"A definite highlight of the course was travelling to Tasmania as part of my six-week work placement and partaking in a great volunteer remote area weeding program which involved being dropped by helicopter into the wilderness and walking down the coastline removing invasive plants.

"Attending the Students of Sustainability Conference in Perth in 2007 and becoming part of a national student environmental movement was another highlight.

"I also gained skills in researching and writing which significantly increased my employability, giving me the confidence to apply for management positions."

**Peter Barrett**  
**Bachelor of Environmental Science**

"I recently returned from a Student Exchange Program to Lakehead University in Canada. I loved the outdoor recreation and geography subjects I completed and got out in the Canadian environment to learn much more. I developed my skills and knowledge of ecological literacy, and became passionate and driven to keep learning.

"I travelled extensively and made some of the greatest friendships.

"If you're considering going on exchange I would say 'go for it'. It is an opportunity of a lifetime."

**Karen Scott**  
**Bachelor of Applied Science**  
**(Parks, Recreation and Heritage)**

### **CONTACT US**

For more information about CSU's environmental science courses, visit the online course brochures, [www.csu.edu/courses](http://www.csu.edu/courses), or contact info.csu by phoning 1800 334 773 or emailing [inquiry@csu.edu.au](mailto:inquiry@csu.edu.au)

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