



Bachelor of Environmental Science (Domestic students)

Program code

1543

Commencing in

For Continuing Students Only

Available at

Gold Coast Campus

Duration

3 years full-time

6 years part-time

Credit points

240

Important Notes

From 2021, commencing students are referred to the **Bachelor of Environmental Science (1547)**.

About this program

You will gain knowledge and skills from across the broad environmental science spectrum, exploring environmental issues from social, physical and biological perspectives. On completion of core science courses in your first year of study, you will choose a major that suits your interests and career plans. The final year includes a "capstone" experience where you have the option to undertake a research project or participate in industry internships to gain employment-relevant experience. Combining a discipline specific major with a major in Environmental Management will equip you with the broad set of knowledge and skills needed to be an environmental science professional.

My attendance during the program

Attendance information

The Bachelor of Environmental Science is offered full-time and part-time on-campus at the Nathan and Gold Coast campuses. As a full-time student you will generally attend 15-25 hours of scheduled classes per week throughout the trimester. Classes may be scheduled during the day and evening throughout the week.

Student Income Support

To be classed as a full-time student, you are required to enrol in a minimum number of credit points each standard study period. The minimum credit points for full-time enrolment in this program is 30 credit points.

Trimester 1 and Trimester 2 are deemed standard study periods. As Trimester 3 is a non-standard study period, continuing students moving from one year to the next will not be required to study during this trimester to be eligible for student income support.

Domestic students who commence in Trimester 3 may be eligible for student income support from the onset of study provided they are enrolled full-time in this study period.

Please refer to the [Australian Government website](#) for more details.

My career opportunities

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Graduates may find employment in the following areas:

- **Ecology and Conservation:** Environmental consultant, Wildlife biologist, Conservation ecologist.
- **Environmental Management:** Environment consultant, Environmental scientist, Environmental manager, General scientist.
- **Soil and Water Science:** Environmental chemist, Soil scientist, Catchment restoration and management officer.
- **Urban Environments:** Urban ecosystems are the largest growing environment on earth with a major in urban environments you will work with urban and regional councils dealing with urban specific issues such as pest animals

and plants, urban storm water management or advising urban planners.

Program accreditation

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The Bachelor of Environmental Science is accredited by the [Environment Institute of Australia and New Zealand \(EIANZ\)](#).

Professional recognition

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Depending on your major, you will be eligible to join the following professional bodies:

- Australian Society for Limnology
- Australian Society of Plant Scientists
- Ecological Society of Australia
- River Basin Management Society
- Royal Australian Chemical Institute
- Soil Science Australia

What are the fees?

Commonwealth supported students

- The indicative fee represents the expected average fee for an annual full-time study load (80 credit points). This is based on average study patterns across courses and the Australian Government's broad discipline areas (student contribution bands). A student's actual annual fee may vary in accordance with his or her choice of majors and electives. The Australian Government sets student contribution amounts on an annual basis.
- [Find out more...](#)

Fee-paying undergraduate (domestic) students

These fees are only applicable to domestic students who are not Commonwealth supported including:

- Full-fee paying domestic students who commenced their program prior to 2009.
- International students who have been approved to pay domestic tuition fees after obtaining Australian or New Zealand citizenship or permanent residency or a permanent humanitarian visa and who have not obtained a Commonwealth supported place.

Tuition fees

- A fee-paying undergraduate student pays tuition fees.
- Students are liable for tuition fees for the courses they are enrolled in as at the census date.
- The tuition fee is charged according to the approved program fee for the trimester in which the student is enrolled.
- [Find out more...](#)

FEE-HELP

Eligible undergraduate fee-paying students may defer their tuition fees by taking out a FEE-HELP loan which is part of the Higher Education Loan Program (HELP). Payment of the loan is via the taxation system when income reaches a specified level.

- [Higher Education Loan Program \(HELP\)](#)

Further information

- [Calculating tuition fees](#)
- [Calculating your EFTSL](#)
- [Fees and Charges Procedure](#)
 - 3.2 - Fees for Undergraduate Students (Non-international)
 - [Fees and Charges Schedules](#)
- [Financial help and support](#)

Additional fee information

Additional costs

Throughout your program you may be required to pay for the following items:

- expenses associated with laboratory activities including lab coats, eye protection
- expenses associated with field trips and placements