

OUTDOOR & ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

- **Unit 1: Exploring outdoor experiences**
- **Unit 2: Discovering outdoor environments**
- **Unit 3: Relationships with outdoor environments**
- **Unit 4: Sustainable outdoor relationships**



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- **Unit 1: Exploring outdoor experiences**
- This unit examines some of the ways in which humans understand and relate to nature through experiences of outdoor environments. The focus is on individuals and their personal responses to and experiences of outdoor environments.
- Students are provided with the opportunity to explore the many ways in which nature is understood and perceived.
- Through outdoor experiences, students develop practical skills and knowledge to help them live sustainably in outdoor environments.
- **Area of Study 1: Motivations for outdoor experiences**
- **Area of Study 2: Influences on outdoor experiences**

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- **Unit 2: Discovering outdoor environments**
- This unit focuses on the characteristics of outdoor environments and different ways of understanding them, as well as the human impacts on outdoor environments.
- Students develop a clear understanding of the impact of technologies and changing human lifestyles on outdoor environments.
- Students examine a number of case studies of specific outdoor environments, including areas where there is evidence of human intervention.
- **Area of Study 1: Investigating outdoor environments**
- **Area of Study 2: Impacts on outdoor environments**

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KEY INFORMATION:

VCE Outdoor and Environmental Studies provides students with the skills and knowledge to safely participate in activities in outdoor environments and to respect and value diverse environments. The blend of direct practical experience of outdoor environments with more theoretical ways of knowing, enables informed understanding of human relationships with nature.

POSSIBLE CAREERS:

- **Outdoor recreation and education officers**
- **Parks, Wildlife and Conservation rangers**
- **Environment and sustainable development officers**
- **Teaching**
- **Camp coordinators**
- **Specialist outdoor activity instructors**