

STUDENT CHALLENGE

Want to experience hands-on conservation?

Imagine spending a week in an amazing location with students from all over Australia exploring solutions for a more sustainable relationship with our environment. Student Challenge is a unique, once in a lifetime opportunity for a select number of Year 10–12 students to experience environmental research first hand. No prior experience is necessary. Working with leading scientists, you will be trained in many aspects of scientific field work and gain valuable insights into conservation research.

About Earthwatch

Earthwatch's mission is to empower people to save the natural world as we strive to create a society that lives in balance with nature. Earthwatch expeditions are a great way to learn through experience while being immersed in nature and making lifelong friends.



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ELIGIBILITY

Earthwatch Student Challenge fellowships are available if:

- you are in year 10, 11 or 12 in the year of the expedition
- you attend a South Australian Government school



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I loved this experience so much! It has definitely given me an insight into work and research in the field and opened up more opportunities that I can pursue.

2019 participant

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HOW TO APPLY

Click [here](#) to complete the application form, email a written reference from your teacher or principal to studentchallenge@earthwatch.org.au

Numbers are strictly limited.

Applications close 28 May 2021

ARE YOU READY FOR A
STUDENT CHALLENGE?
UP FOR AN ADVENTURE
OF A LIFETIME?

For successful applicants the
fellowship covers:

- Flights and airport transfers
- All meals
- Accommodation
- Field transport
- Research equipment
- Insurance
- Access to Earthwatch educational and professional resources



ECOSYSTEMS OF THE MURRAY RIVER AND MALLEE

Join scientists at Calperum Station to help increase understanding of the boom and bust cycle of plants and animals in the semi-arid zone on the banks of the mighty Murray River. Learn about the recovery process of ecosystems after 150 years of cattle grazing and how this information can be used to help restore land elsewhere and prepare for the challenges of climate change.

The findings of your research will help the Australian Landscape Trust, who own and manage Calperum and Taylorville Stations, to better design and implement management and restoration programs for the Stations.

ACTIVITIES MAY INCLUDE

- Small mammal and reptile trapping
- Vegetation studies and surveys of habitat characteristics
- Wetland and water surveys
- Grazing pressure surveys
- Tree health assessments

DATES

26 September - 2 October 2021

ACCOMMODATION

Dormitory style with shared rooms and separate toilet block

LOCATION

Calperum Station, Murray River, north of Renmark, SA



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“ It made me become 110% sure that I want to study environmental science at university!
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