



THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME AUSTRALIA

Bachelor of Outdoor Recreation

School of Health Sciences, Fremantle Campus

Our Bachelor of Outdoor Recreation is an exciting degree designed to meet the growing demand in Western Australia for qualified individuals to work in the recreation, education, adventure tourism and eco-tourism sectors. Over three years you will learn key outdoor skills while developing the ability to design, plan and implement safe outdoor programs.

(<https://vimeo.com/333491179>)

Why study this degree?

The Bachelor of Outdoor Recreation is designed to meet a growing demand in Western Australia for qualified individuals within the fields of recreation, adventure tourism and eco-tourism by providing essential knowledge, practical skills and leadership opportunities.

Practical competence and professional standards are at the core of this program which provides students with extensive practical experience in outdoor leadership in an

array of natural environments. Pursuits include white water kayaking, sea kayaking, canoeing, rock climbing, abseiling, bushwalking and mountain biking

Program summary

Three Core Curriculum courses

- Ethics
- Introduction to Philosophy
- Introduction to Theology

15 required courses - Outdoor Recreation

- Introduction to Professional Practice in Outdoor Recreation
- Introduction to Teaching and Learning in an Experiential Context
- Basic Expedition Skills
- Introduction to Roping and Challenge Courses
- Expeditions on Land
- Expeditions on Water
- Expedition Planning and Implementation
- Health Communications
- Research Methods
- Developmental Psychology
- Physical Geography, Climates, Geology and Soils
- Health Issues and Preventive Approaches
- Physical Health and Activity
- Aboriginal People
- Adapted and Inclusive Practice in Physical Education

Six electives. Courses may include:

- Introduction to Behavioural Science
- Environmental Approaches to Public Health & Health Promotion
- Principles of Management
- Counselling Skills
- Coastal and Marine Systems
- Australian Ecology and Environmental Issues
- Environmental Ecology and History of South Coast
- Environmental Impact and Assessment Planning
- Events Management
- Population Approaches to Health Promotion
- Community Approaches to Health Promotion
- Health Science Research

Three industry practicum placements

- Industry Placement (50 hours)
- Industry Placement (150 hours)
- Industry Internship (150 hours)

Please Note: Students studying this program will be charged additional fees to cover transport and accommodation costs associated with field based expeditions and external certifications

More information about the courses can be found at the [course descriptions](https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle/health-sciences/course-descriptions)

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Full details of the program requirements are contained in the [Program Regulations & Planner](https://www.notredame.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0012/407/0f-Outdoor-Recreation.pdf)

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Program learning outcomes

At the completion of this course, graduates should be able to:

1. Demonstrate effective outdoor leadership knowledge and practices in a variety of settings with diverse sub populations.
2. Evaluate, develop and apply technical, safety and environmental practices;
3. Critically analyse and formulate instructional, organization and facilitation practices.
4. Critically evaluate decision making, experience based judgment, problem solving, effective communication, flexible leadership and professional ethics.
5. Apply research skills to update outdoor recreation related professional knowledge as a basis for independent lifelong learning.
5. Plan, implement and evaluate expedition based programs.
7. Exemplify professional standards in a variety of practical, interpersonal and theoretical contexts related to outdoor recreation and its associated fields.
8. Articulate objective and universal truth, appreciate the intrinsic dignity of the human person, and exhibit good intellectual, moral and theological habits.

Real-world experience

You will learn from academics who are industry leaders and, through our practicum placements and internship programs, you will gain real professional experience and make valuable contacts with potential employers.

Study abroad

You will have the opportunity to complete part of your degree at one of our partner institutions through our exchange program. Get in touch with the Study Abroad Office (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/international/study-abroad>) to find out more about studying in Asia, Europe and North America.

Entry requirements

Academic requirements for this program are outlined below. In addition, to be eligible for admission, all applicants need to satisfy minimum requirements outlined at admission requirements (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/admission-requirements>). These include those relating to age and English Language Proficiency (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/admission-requirements/english-language-proficiency-requirements>). We also consider your application more broadly – your non-academic achievements (such as any previous leadership roles, volunteering, work, church and/or community involvement) as well as personal qualities - your aspirations and interests and your capacity to complete your chosen program.

Applicants with recent Secondary Education:

- Indicative ATAR of 70 with a score of 50+ in ATAR English, ATAR Literature or ATAR English as an Additional Language or Dialect (EALD)
OR
- Minimum International Baccalaureate (IB) score of 24

Applicants with Higher Education Study

- Other university studies completed at undergraduate level or higher, a minimum of 4 successfully completed subjects;
OR
- Successful completion of the Notre Dame Tertiary Pathway Program or of another Enabling Program at a level deemed sufficient by the University.

Applicants who have successfully completed subjects at another University, which are relevant to the selected program of study, may be eligible for Advanced Standing (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/current-students/your-enrolment/admin-and-fees/fremantle/advanced-standing>).

Applicants with Vocational Education and Training (VET) study

- Completed AQF Certificate IV or higher in a relevant discipline, from an accredited provider such as TAFE or a Registered Training Organisation (RTO).

Applicants with Work and Life Experience

Applicants who left secondary education more than two years previously and who have not undertaken VET or higher education study since then, but with relevant work and life experience. Such experience may include, but is not limited to:

- STAT scores of at least 135 in the Multiple Choice section **and** 140 in the Written English section are required
OR
- Mature-age completion of two Year 12 WACE or

HSC exams with a resulting ATAR of 70 or above
OR

- Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE) or equivalent results if these have been completed within the last 5 years.

Please note: all applicants must be of school leaving age or older to apply.

Fees

This Program has the following loan scheme(s) available for eligible students:

FEE-HELP

The FEE-HELP loan scheme assists eligible fee-paying students with the payment of all, or part, of their tuition fees, not including additional study costs such as accommodation or textbooks. Your FEE-HELP debt will be indexed each year in line with the Consumer Price Index. Please note, from 1 January 2019, students studying an undergraduate program at the University of Notre Dame will no longer be charged the 25% FEE-HELP loan fee.

For further information, or for indicative fees for domestic or international students, please visit our [Fees page](https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/fees) (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/fees>).

HECS-HELP

HECS-HELP is a loan scheme intended for students enrolled in Commonwealth Supported Places. The scheme will pay your student contribution amounts, but not additional study costs such as accommodation or textbooks. Although there is no interest charged on HECS-HELP loans, your debt will be indexed each year in line with the Consumer Price Index.

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Honours

An Honours award is available for this program. Further information can be found in the [Bachelor of Outdoor Recreation \(Honours\) regulations](https://www.notredame.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0013/407/of-Outdoor-Recreation-Honours.pdf) (https://www.notredame.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0013/407/of-Outdoor-Recreation-Honours.pdf), or by contacting the [School of Health Sciences](https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle/health-sciences/contact-us) (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle/health-sciences/contact-us>).

Career opportunities

The following careers are open to graduates of this program:

- Community program organiser
- Adventure tourism leader

Professional accreditation

Notre Dame's Outdoor Recreation course meets the accreditation requirements of the National Outdoor Leader Registration Scheme.

Student profile data

Table 2 below gives an indication of the likely peer cohort for new students in this Program. It provides data on all students who commenced in this Program in the most relevant recent intake period, including those admitted through all offer rounds and international students studying in Australia.

TABLE 2a - Bachelor of Outdoor Recreation BASIS OF ADMISSION IN SEMESTER 1, 2019 INTAKE

Applicant background	Semester 1 2019	
	Number of students	Percentage of all students
(A) Higher education study (includes a bridging or enabling course)	5	31%
(B) Vocational education and training (VET) study	<5	<5
(C) Work and life experience (Admitted on the basis of previous achievement not in the other three categories)	<5	<5
(D) Recent secondary education: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Admitted solely on the basis of ATAR (regardless of whether this includes the consideration of adjustment factors such as equity or subject bonus points) 	N/A	N/A
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Admitted where both ATAR and additional criteria were considered (e.g. portfolio, audition, interview, extra test, 	<5	<5

early offer conditional on minimum ATAR)		
◦ Admitted on the basis of other criteria only and ATAR was <i>not</i> a factor (e.g. special consideration, audition alone, interview, school marks & recommendation with no minimum ATAR requirement)	5	31%
International students	<5	<5
<i>All students</i>	16	100.0%

TABLE 2b - Bachelor of Outdoor Recreation ATAR PROFILE DATA FOR APPLICANTS ENTERING ON THE BASIS OF *RECENT SECONDARY EDUCATION* IN SEMESTER 1, 2019 INTAKE

RECENT SECONDARY EDUCATION - ATAR-based offers	ATAR (Excluding adjustment factors) *	Selection Rank (ATAR plus any adjustment factors) *[only if relevant]
Highest rank to receive an offer	<5	N/A
Median rank to receive an offer	<5	N/A
Lowest rank to receive an offer	<5	N/A

Notes:

“<5” – the number of students is less than 5

N/A – Students not accepted in this category

N/P – Not published: the number is hidden to prevent calculation of numbers in cells with less than 5 students

More information

For more information on the Bachelor of Outdoor Recreation, please call our Prospective Student Officers on +61 8 9433 0533 or email future@nd.edu.au (<mailto:future@nd.edu.au>).

All international enquiries should contact the International Students Office on international@nd.edu.au (<mailto:international@nd.edu.au>).

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Duration: 3 years full-time or equivalent part-time

Campus: Fremantle

Loan Scheme: HECS-HELP, FEE-HELP

Study mode: Full-time, Part-time

Code: Program Code 3310, CRICOS Code 061707D

