

Conservation and Research Internship – Volunteer Positions 2025

Join the team at the Conservation Ecology Centre (CEC) as a Conservation and Research Intern!

We are seeking enthusiastic individuals to assist with our conservation and research program, including on-ground management actions, ecological research, community engagement and animal husbandry. During your internship at the CEC, you will gain valuable experience in:

- **Conservation Activities:** Get involved in hands-on flora and fauna surveys, seed collection and revegetation. Whilst learning about stakeholder engagement, software use (Rstudio, ArcGIS Pro, etc.) and other essential land management activities.
- **Research Projects:** Participate in important initiatives focused on creating resilient forests, climate change adaptation, fire ecology, establishing ecological baselines, and managing feral species to contribute to regional conservation efforts.
- **Community Engagement:** Develop your scientific communication skills by sharing key research insights from the Conservation Ecology Centre with local and international visitors at our social enterprise Wildlife Wonders.
- **Animal Husbandry:** Assist with the daily care of our resident animals at the CEC, ensuring their well-being and participating in health checks.
- **Operations Management:** Support the smooth operations of our non-profit by assisting with equipment maintenance, restocking first aid kits and performing vehicle checks.

This internship provides an excellent opportunity to gain hands-on experience in every facet of working for an environmental non-profit organisation.

Available Positions: June-Dec 2025

Please indicate in your application which of the following date ranges you prefer:

- **30th May - 19th Sept (Round 3)**
- **7th Jun - 26th Sept (Round 3)**
- **22nd Sept – 12th Dec (Round 4)**
- **29th Sept – 19th Dec (Round 4)**

Working hours are from 8:30am - 4:30pm, Monday to Friday, however these times can be flexible depending on fieldwork and individual requirements.

Key Selection Criteria

- **Educational Background:** Relevant experience obtained through a degree in ecology, biology, wildlife conservation, zoology, conservation biology, environmental management, natural resource management (NRM), or a related field (required).

- **Research Experience:** Experience in collecting, collating, and analysing ecological data (preferred).
- **Fieldwork Capability:** Willingness and ability to work in remote field locations (experience preferred).
- **Team Collaboration:** Strong ability to collaborate effectively within a small team and positively engage with others (required).
- **Work Ethic and Time Management:** Demonstrates a strong work ethic and reliability, with the ability to manage time effectively, adhering to deadlines.
- **Driving Experience:** Experience driving 4WD vehicles off-road (preferred); a current driver's license accepted in Australia (required).

A stipend of **\$6,000** will be available to successful candidates upon commencing their internship to help cover expenses during the three-month period. On-site accommodation is also available for a minimal fee.

How to Apply

To apply for an intern position, please email a current Resume along with a brief cover letter addressing the selection criteria to:

James Templeton, Conservation Project Manager

Email: james.templeton@conservationecologycentre.org

&

Dr Kay Weltz, Conservation Research Manager

Email: Kay@conservationecologycentre.org

Closing Date: Don't Miss Out!

Please note that there is **no set closing date** for applications. The advertisement will be removed from the website once we have found suitable candidates, and no further applications will be accepted thereafter. We encourage you to apply as soon as possible to ensure your consideration.

Ready to make a difference? Apply today and take the first step towards a rewarding career in environmental conservation!