



# Help protect **animals** in their natural habitat

## Bachelor of Animal Ecology

Want to learn about how animals are impacted by the environment and human interaction and what we can do to protect their future? Develop your analytical and research skills to better understand how to conserve and manage animals. The program will build your knowledge of animal conservation, biodiversity and animal behaviour.

Hands-on experience starts in your first year with fieldwork to North Stradbroke Island and your local region. During the program, you'll work with leading researchers on field trips and in the laboratory, thus delivering work-ready graduates who are able to blend concepts gleaned from the global literature with personal experience of a diversity of regional habitats and fauna.

In your final year you can also further develop your research skills in a specialised area by undertaking a guided research project in Animal Ecology, working as an intern animal ecologist as part of your studies, or taking advantage of opportunities to travel abroad.

As an animal ecologist, your career paths include natural resource and environmental protection agencies, private environmental consultancies and research institutes. Many animal ecologists also pursue opportunities outside the science and health sectors in business, finance, education and sales.

### Career opportunities

Career opportunities will be available across a range of areas both in Australia and internationally, including:

animal ecology specialists in private environmental consulting researchers, research assistants and managers in Government and non-governmental agencies; rangers and managers in wildlife management and conservation organisations; practitioners in environmental monitoring and management; collectors and curators in museums; environmental educators; specialist ecotourism guides; and researchers and lecturers at universities.

Graduates will be eligible to become members/associate members of:

- Ecological Society of Australia
- Environmental Institute of Australia
- Australian Mammal Society
- Australian Marine Science Association
- Society for Conservation Biology
- Australian Wildlife Management Society
- Australian Physiological Society

### LOCATIONS

Sunshine Coast  
Moreton Bay

### QTAC CODE

013201  
014271^

### MINIMUM SELECTION THRESHOLD

ATAR - 55.00 / OP -- / Rank - 55

### DURATION

3 years full time or equivalent part time

### COMMENCE

Semester 1 or Semester 2

### RECOMMENDED PRIOR STUDY

English; Maths B or C; and one or more of the sciences

### SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships can give you money and other financial support to help you while you study. Find out more at [usc.edu.au/scholarships](http://usc.edu.au/scholarships).

### MORE INFORMATION

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