



## NPWS field officer traineeships



### National park field officers

National park field officers work everywhere - from the islands of Sydney Harbour to the remote corner country and the ski fields. They do everything from fighting fires and supervising pest programs, to maintaining walking tracks and overseeing bush regeneration.

On 21 November 2013, [Minister Parker announced](#) that up to 100 traineeships would be created for field officers on the front line in national parks across NSW.

This new program is supported by training through a Registered Training Organisation, coaching and on the job training.

Field officers ensure that the public have access to high-quality, safe recreational facilities in some of the most beautiful places in the world and:

- carry out works programs
- maintain and improve park facilities and assets including buildings, roads, fire trails and fencing
- operate and maintain plant and equipment
- protect natural and cultural heritage, and
- provide advice to park visitors and local residents.

Trainees may be offered permanent employment as entry level field officers subject to the following conditions:

- successful completion of all aspects of the program
- show commitment and dedication to the job
- hold an appropriate driver's licence
- a permanent Field Officer position being available within NPWS



Further information on this program can be found at <http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/jobs/FOtraineeships.htm>.

At this stage people are to register their interest, including preferred locations for the program, at <http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/jobs/FOtraineeships.htm>. They will then be advised when the Trainee Field Officer positions are advertised and provided with a recruitment package, to assist them lodge an application.

The first round of recruitment will occur around February 2014 when it is anticipated that 25 positions will be advertised, formal applications will then need to be submitted. The first intake will commence June 2014.

### Frequently asked questions

View the [questions and answers page](#) for more details about the program.

### Register your interest in the traineeship program

The [information guide](#) (guidefieldtrainees.pdf 562kb) provides further details to help you decide whether the traineeship program is suitable for you. Use the form below to register your interest. For further enquiries call Lisa May on 02 9585 6900 or email [lisa.may@environment.nsw.gov.au](mailto:lisa.may@environment.nsw.gov.au).

### Location of traineeships

Up to 100 trainee positions will be offered over a two year period and located across NSW national parks. The exact locations of the positions will be advised at the commencement of each stage of recruitment. This map indicates the locations currently covered by the NPWS.

### Related Links

- [I want to work for the Environment Protection Authority. Where can I find out more information?](#)
- [How can I become a park ranger?](#)
- [I want to work for the Office of Environment and Heritage \(OEH\). Where can I find out more information?](#)
- [How do I become a licensed pesticide technician?](#)
- [Questions and answers about the field officer traineeship program](#)



**The Australian National University**, Canberra: Walk in Wednesdays for face-to-face advice, 12 noon – 5pm, ANU Student Exchange, 121 Marcus Clarke St; ANU Advisory Sessions 9am-2pm in Sydney on Thursday 19 December, Grace Hotel (corner York & King Streets) and Canberra on Friday 20 December, Melville Hall, Ellery Cres, ANU. Staff and students available to answer questions about ANU programs, admissions, pathways, accommodation, student support services etc... To register or for more information visit <http://students.anu.edu.au/events/>

**University of Sydney Info Day**. Friday 3 January 2014, 9am – 4pm - Info Day Explore the University of Sydney and speak to staff and students about options before finalising UAC preferences for the main-round offers. Academics and advisers are on hand to answer questions about courses, admission and scholarship. Download the Info Day app <http://sydney.edu.au/infoday/mobile> and plan your day. For more info and registration, visit <http://sydney.edu.au/infoday>

**Academy of Interactive Entertainment School Holiday Program** - The AIE School Holiday Program is in place for high school students to learn some of the fundamental skills in game design, animation, programming and visual effects. Courses will be running in January and there are a range of courses to suit all ability levels. If students are thinking of a career in the digital creative industries, this opportunity will give them the chance to experience what it is like first hand. For more information head to [http://www.aie.edu.au/courses/holiday\\_courses/Sydney\\_Holidays](http://www.aie.edu.au/courses/holiday_courses/Sydney_Holidays) or call 8514 8800.

## Reminders:

ATAR release Thursday 19 December - Year 12 students are reminded that they will need their UAC PIN (and BoS student number or UAC number) to access their ATAR. They can call UAC Customer Service on 9752 0200 if they've lost their PIN and it's best to do that before ATAR day.

## YEAR 12: FREE CAREERS ADVISORY SERVICE

Get online [www.cas.det.nsw.edu.au](http://www.cas.det.nsw.edu.au) or call 1300 300 687 for free advice

This free service is available by phone or through the Careers Advisory Service website from Thursday 19 December to Tuesday 24 December 2013. Parents and Carers may also use this service if they are seeking advice for students. The Careers Advisory Service website also contains helpful information to assist you in clarifying course choices, employment opportunities, career pathways and training options.

## Goulburn & District Education Foundation (CEF) Scholarships:

Do you need assistance to help you achieve your post high school education and career goals ?

The local CEF supports their local youth by awarding grants for a broad range of education and career pursuits. These pursuits could include apprenticeships, traineeships, cadetships, degrees, diplomas and certificate level studies or entry level careers

The CEF does not focus on applicants' academic success. There four essential selection criteria are:

- That you have a demonstrated financial needs;
- You are aged 17 – 21 years
- That you have gone to school or currently reside in the Goulburn & District region
- That you have shown commitment to achieving your goal

Application forms and additional information are available from Mrs Kennedy or visit [www.cef.org.au](http://www.cef.org.au)

Closing date for application in 2014 is 23 January 2014

**Board of Studies Students Online:** Students in Years 10 -12 are able to access their Board of Studies e-records by activating their account at <http://studentonline.bos.nsw.edu.au> . Students are able to check that their personal details and subject information are correct. At the completion of Year 10 and 11 students can access their RoSA grades, and in Year 12 students can access their HSC timetable and request for their final results to be sent as a text. There is also a lot of helpful information for students at various stages of their studies. All students must ensure that they activate their accounts and check in regularly