



Environmental Studies

As society becomes more aware of the importance of living and working sustainably, the demand for environmental monitoring and reporting expertise grows. Managing, protecting, and restoring the natural environment and monitoring the impact of physical and biological change, requires people who are passionate about the wellbeing of the planet. When you study and work in this sector, you'll play an important part in monitoring and improving the ecosystem services that support human and other life, for generations to come.



Job opportunities

Sustainability officer, laboratory assistant, water services officer, and their allied technical officers.



Industry partnerships

A strong partnership is maintained with the International Society of Sustainability Professionals.



Annual growth[^]

Employment for this sector is projected to rise by 1.5% annually to 2027.



Annual revenue growth[^]

Annual revenue growth of around 1.5% according to industry forecast to 2027.

Qualifications you can earn at TAFE NSW

Whether you are looking for a career managing the land and waterways of Australia and ensuring sustainability, or you are concerned with conservation and the preservation of culturally significant Aboriginal sites, there is a TAFE NSW course to help you become qualified. Taught by industry-experienced teachers, TAFE NSW courses give you the professional skills and knowledge you need to find employment, and kickstart your career.

Course	Code	Duration
Certificate II in Conservation and Ecosystem Management	AHC21020	1 Year
Certificate III in Conservation and Ecosystem Management	AHC31421*	Variable
Certificate III in Water Industry Operations	NWP30219	2 Years

Course	Code	Duration
Certificate III in Water Industry Treatment	NWP30219	2 Years
Diploma of Conservation and Ecosystem Management	AHC51120	1.5-2 Years
Diploma of Sustainable Practice	HE20517	2 Years

Fees for your course

A range of criteria apply for course fees, access to government subsidised training, student loans, payment by instalment, fee concessions, and fee exemptions that are available to eligible students. The training for all/some of the courses listed is subsidised by the NSW Government under Smart and Skilled funding. Visit tafensw.edu.au/enrol/fees.

[^] Source: my.ibisworld.com.au Report R8922 1/10/2021 and M6925 1/02/2022.

* This course is superseded. You can still enrol in this course, and you will be contacted if you need to transition into the next version when it is available.

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Short courses you can study at TAFE NSW

TAFE NSW has a selection of short courses available to study, that can help you build the essential environmental and cultural skills needed to kickstart your career, or to help you round out your résumé.

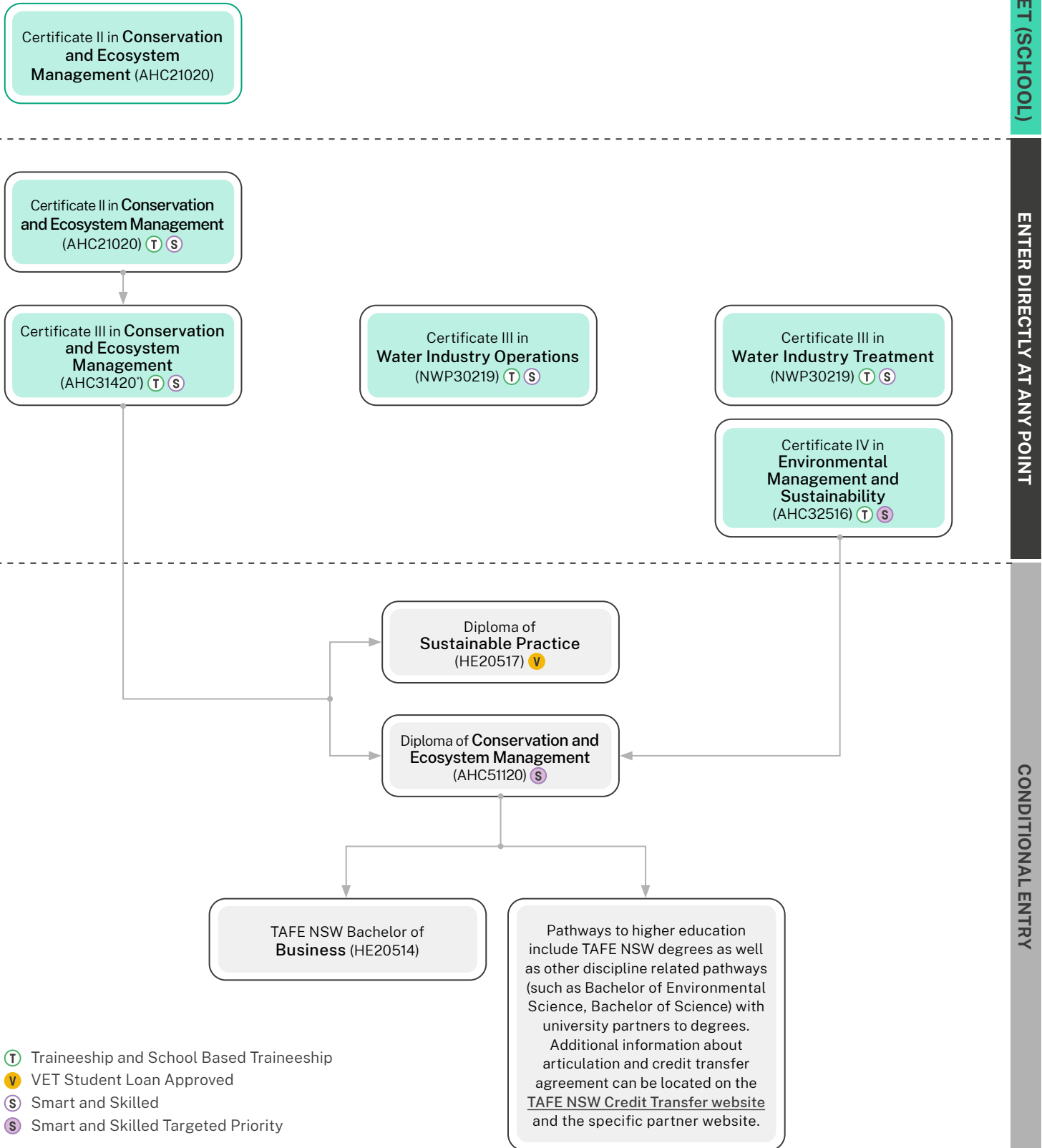
Short Course	Code	Duration	Included Units of Study
Statement of Attainment in Bush Regeneration	900-81400	0.5 Year	AHCNAR201* Carry out natural area restoration works. AHPCPM201* Recognise plants. AHCPMG301 Control weed.
Statement of Attainment in Aboriginal Sites Work	900-81140	6 Days	AHCASW303 Identify and record Aboriginal sites, objects and cultural landscapes. AHCILM306 Follow Aboriginal cultural protocols.
Statement of Attainment in Cultural Heritage Management	900-81613	1 Day	FWPCOT3257 Follow cultural heritage requirements.

[Visit our website for more short courses.](#)

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How you can grow your career

When you study with TAFE NSW, there are any number of courses that lead to an even greater number of career opportunities. However, before you can earn certain qualifications, you may have to complete some pre-requisite courses. Below are some examples of career progression pathways you could follow.



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