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SUSTAINABILITY ISSUES ARE CHALLENGING SOCIETIES IN URBAN AND RURAL AREAS ALL OVER THE WORLD
Choosing the environmental engineering degree at RMIT has allowed me to be involved in projects that aim to sustain the environment as well as improve society and our living conditions. The small class numbers, high levels of staff interaction, and strong social networks also attracted me to the University.

‘So far, an internship with the Sustainability Business Group at ARUP, a multinational engineering firm, has been a study highlight. Working on industry projects in environmental services, project and corporate sustainability advice and climate change mitigation has improved my experience.’

William Topioupolous  (cover image)
Bachelor of Engineering (Environmental Engineering)

Tackling environmental issues requires a multidisciplinary approach. RMIT offers you a range of programs exploring different aspects of the environment:
- conservation and land management
- environment—social science
- environmental engineering
- environmental science
- geospatial science
- planning.

An important aspect of these studies is the hands-on experience you will gain through field studies and excursions—many conducted in association with industry, government and environmental agencies and consultancies.

Environment degree and double degree students may even be offered the chance to gain international experience as a participant in RMIT’s Vietnam Project, where students work as a team on an environmental issue in Ho Chi Minh City.

Will you see solutions where others see only problems?

‘Planning is a career that encompasses so many areas in land use, society, conservation, research and policy to name a few. I believe that I will be able to have diversity, flexibility and longevity in the planning field. There are so many varied and dynamic career opportunities available in planning.’

SUSAN MITCHELL, BACHELOR OF APPLIED SCIENCE (PLANNING)*

* This degree has been renamed Bachelor of Urban and Regional Planning

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CONSERVATION AND LAND MANAGEMENT

C5161 Diploma of Conservation and Land Management

Duration: FT2 or PT4 — ✓
2011 ATAR: RC
www.rmit.edu.au/programs/c5161

CITY CAMPUS

The Diploma of Conservation and Land Management will give you the skills used by land managers, park rangers, site assessors, water quality assessors and conservation staff.

The emphasis of the program is on acquiring practical skills and knowledge that can be applied in the workplace. In each year of the program, you will undertake extended field trips to remote locations.

You will also spend a large amount of time out in the field learning how to survey animals and plants, monitor waterways, assess and restore natural sites and undertake cultural studies.

All teachers have extensive experience working in the industry and maintain industry connections through liaison with industry representatives and organisations.

The diploma is based on the National Conservation and Land Management Training Package. Industry stakeholders such as Melbourne Water, Parks Victoria and local councils have significant input into the program.

Working with industry
You will undertake 10 to 20 days of work experience with an industry employer, arranged by RMIT.

During the two-year program, there are also extensive field work studies undertaken on various areas of public land in collaboration with Melbourne Water, Friends groups and other organisations.

What you will study

Year one
In first year you will study plant identification and ecology and learn underpinning skills related to site assessment and revegetation, as well as communication skills specifically related to the industry.

You will also learn how to conduct wildlife surveys and present the data using the appropriate format for the industry.

Year two
During second year, you will study a sequence of courses related to the monitoring and management of water.

You will also continue to undertake biological survey work. This includes areas related to the study of Indigenous and cultural heritage issues and how these relate to land management.

This is taught in collaboration with Indigenous Elders and community members and includes an extended field trip to western Victoria where you will have the opportunity to work alongside Indigenous land care workers.

Career outlook
Gradsuates of the program are employed in a wide range of roles, such as park rangers or members of bush crews.

They work with organisations involved in conservation and land care. These include local government organisations, local area management committees, Parks Victoria and the Department of Sustainability and Environment.

Graduates have also successfully articulated into RMIT’s Bachelor of Environmental Science.

Prerequisite
There are no prerequisite studies.

Extra requirements
All applicants must complete and submit an RMIT Conservation and Land Management Supplementary Information Form available online at www.rmit.edu.au/programs/apply/forms/vtac.

Please refer to the 2012 VTAC Guide for full details on extra requirements.

Pathway
Graduates may be eligible to apply for exemptions of up to one year from the following degree:

» Bachelor of Applied Science (Environmental Science)

You may also be interested in...

» Environmental engineering (page 5)
» Environmental science (page 7)
» Geospatial science (page 10)

NANCY PEPLOW
Diploma of Conservation and Land Management

'I was volunteering with Parks Victoria and doing revegetation work along a river when I realised that I loved working in this area and wanted to find out more about turning it into a career.

'RMIT’s Diploma of Conservation and Land Management was a great place to start and offered the best subjects in a location easy for me to travel to. RMIT also offers personal development activities such as being a Trip Leader for Sport and Recreation.

'I've really enjoyed being able to work closely with government agencies to learn about park management and monitor biodiversity. The diploma has a good balance of theory and practical experience and has changed my perceptions of the environment. I’ve found that what I’ve learnt through my studies has not only changed my career perspective, but also my lifestyle and outlook in general.

'Water management and river restoration are my areas of interest. Studying these subjects has had an impact on my life and I feel that with correct management in these areas we can make a world of difference to humans, animals and plants. I can’t help but evaluate the environments I visit and observe the positives and negatives.

'Once I graduate, I hope to become a park ranger, focusing on water management and interacting with the volunteers.'
ENVIRONMENT

BP000  Bachelor of Social Science (Environment)
Duration:  FT3—V X
2011 ATAR:  70.20
www.rmit.edu.au/programs/bp000
CITY CAMPUS

The world’s environment is under threat. Do you want to understand our impact on the environment?

This program explores how we can address and reverse these threats to working towards a more environmentally sustainable future. By discussing, researching and designing effective strategies to analyse past and present situations, you will be directly involved in improving cities, rural areas and the wider environment.

You will work on real life projects with many leading environmental practitioners to develop practical solutions to problems such as climate change, energy use and pollution management.

This program focuses on environmental policies and management and the way decisions about the environment are made.

The environment program is unique for developing you as an environment professional as it does not require you to have a background in science or technology, although this can be helpful.

Working with industry

A formal work placement of approximately 20 days is undertaken in the final semester of the degree. RMIT assists in finding work, often paid, at a variety of environmental and other organisations. You will undertake tasks relating to environmental management, identifying community needs, environmental planning and environmental reporting.

Additional work-related experience occurs through consultant projects, especially in the final year.

There is also an opportunity to undertake a team research project in Vietnam (see page 15 for details).

What you will study

Year one
To understand the changing world we live in, you are introduced to the concepts of sustainability, environmental philosophy, politics, economics and ecology.

Year two
To make change, you will learn to use tools such as environmental management systems, impact assessment and resource planning. You can also study overseas at universities, for example, in countries in Europe known for effective environmental management.

Year three
In your final year, you will draw on all these experiences when undertaking research for external environmental agencies and undertake a work placement. There is also the opportunity to do project work in Vietnam (see page 15).

Honours
An honours year is available.

Career outlook

Graduates readily find employment in a wide range of occupations and organisations, including Commonwealth, state and local governments, consulting firms, community organisations and a range of private and public businesses in metropolitan and rural areas, both in Australia and overseas.

Employers value the practical research skills that RMIT environment graduates attain.

Career prospects are improved by completing the final-year group research project. These projects enable you to work with organisations involved in environmental action and policy creation. Final year work placements often lead to full-time work after graduation.

Professional recognition

Graduates are eligible for membership of the Environment Institute of Australia and New Zealand.

Global connections

The environment degree pioneered the opportunity for Australian students to study for a semester overseas. This occurs in second year.

Strong ties have been built with environment programs at highly-regarded universities in Canada, China, Finland, the Netherlands, the Philippines and Sweden.

In the final year of study, there is also an opportunity to undertake a team research project in Vietnam.

Prerequisite

Units 3 and 4—a study score of at least 30 in English (ESL) or at least 25 in any other English.

Extra requirements

Non-Year 12 applicants must complete and submit an RMIT Environment Supplementary Information Form available online at www.rmit.edu.au/programs/apply/forms/vtac.

Shortlisted applicants may be required to attend an interview.

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The many environment careers available to you!

Generally people know that there are careers in environmental science, but most do not know of the huge range of careers that are available in the environment profession.

To gain an understanding of the range of possibilities, you can download the 2010 Guide to Environmental Careers in Australia, from the Environmental Jobs Network web site: www.environmentaljobs.com.au. This guide lists some 250 job titles of environmental professionals, and provides career profiles for each of the 18 environmental job sectors discussed.

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See page 17 for application details: V—VTAC; RMIT Direct; RMIT School; X—Extra requirement

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ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE/ENVIRONMENT

BP193 Bachelor of Environmental Science/Bachelor of Social Science (Environment)

Duration: FT4— X
2011 ATAR: N/A
www.rmit.edu.au/programs/bp193

CITY CAMPUS

Do you enjoy the physical and biological sciences but also want to know how to use scientific knowledge to make a difference to our world?

This double degree combines the study of environmental sciences with environmental policy making and action.

There is no other degree in Victoria that enables students to combine environmental science with environmental policy making and management.

With the emergence of the green economy across the world this combination offers exciting career possibilities for graduates as scientists, policy makers, environmental activists or private consultants.

This program combines classroom, laboratory and fieldwork. With an understanding of both scientific and social theory, you will engage in a number of real life projects. Theories are put into action and then reconsidered.

Working with industry

A formal work placement of approximately 20 days is undertaken in the final semester of the degree. RMIT assists in finding work, often paid, at a variety of environmental and other organisations. You will undertake tasks relating to environmental management, identifying community needs, environmental planning and environmental reporting.

Additional work-related experience occurs through consultant projects, especially in the final year.

There is also an opportunity to undertake a team research project in Vietnam (see page 15 for details).

What you will study

Year one

In first year you cover the fundamentals of the environmental sciences together with the histories and philosophies of contemporary environmental movements.

Year two

As a second-year student you study social science courses that inform sustainability practices. You will be introduced to key economic concepts, how environment systems work and how they might be better managed.

There is the opportunity to study overseas at a university in north-west Europe where progressive environmental practices have been widely adopted, or in Asia where there is a need to adopt them.

Year three

In third year you engage in policy formulation, writing and implementation. You will be able to specialise in either applied chemistry, ecology or geospatial science.

Year four

Your skills and knowledge are brought together through client-based projects, field-based projects and a work placement centred on real-life environmental problems. Electives in substantive sub-fields of environment such as agriculture, catchment management, planning and ecotourism are available.

There is also an opportunity to undertake project work in Vietnam (see page 15).

Career outlook

Graduates will readily find employment in a wide range of occupations and organisations, including Commonwealth, state and local governments, consulting firms, community organisations and a range of private and public businesses in metropolitan and rural areas, both in Australia and overseas.

Employers value the practical research skills that RMIT environment graduates attain.

Professional recognition

Graduates are eligible for membership of the Environment Institute of Australia and New Zealand.

Global connections

Strong ties have been built with environment, environmental science programs at highly regarded universities in Canada, Finland, the Netherlands, the Philippines and Sweden.

In final year there is also an opportunity to undertake a team research project in Vietnam.

Prerequisite

Units 3 and 4—mathematical methods (CAS) or specialist mathematics and a study score of at least 30 in English (ESL) or at least 25 in any other English.

Extra requirements

Non-Year 12 applicants must complete and submit an RMIT Environment Supplementary Information Form available online at www.rmit.edu.au/programs/apply/forms/vtac. Shortlisted applicants may be required to attend an interview.

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» Environmental science/management (page 9)
**ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING**

**BP056 Bachelor of Engineering (Environmental Engineering)**

**Duration:** FT4 — V X
2011 ATAR: 80.30
www.rmit.edu.au/programs/bp056

**CITY CAMPUS**

Environmental engineers develop skills in applying engineering concepts and technical skills to preserve the environment, minimise water, soil and air pollution, assess environmental impact of engineering projects, develop remediation measures for environmental degradation and deliver sustainable solutions through engineering processes.

Environmental engineering at RMIT offers you the opportunity to specialise in civil engineering, groundwater or chemical engineering. Environmental engineers design systems to improve water quality, develop cleaner production technologies in agriculture, undertake rehabilitation of mining sites and contaminated land, work on land salinity problems, and prepare environmental impact studies.

You are encouraged to take initiative with your learning and engage in multi-disciplinary projects. Strong groundwater and hydrogeology is a focus of the RMIT environmental engineering program, providing employment opportunities in the resources industry and land remediation areas.

**Working with industry**

You will undertake 12 weeks vocational work as a component of your final year workplace project. A special feature of the RMIT environmental degree is the integration of learning activities with many site visits. This includes visits to Queenscliff for observing the geo-marine environments, Hazelwood Mines for land contamination courses, Western Water Treatment Plant to observe water treatment and recycling, and geological site investigation visits to Studley Park.

Laboratory-based activities cover mini-research projects, developing innovative solutions for waste products such as generating bio-gas from waste from water treatment plants, and using fly ash in water treatment.

There is also an opportunity to undertake a team research project in Vietnam (see page 15 for details).

**What you will study**

**Year one**

In the first year, you are introduced to the basic skills in mathematics, environmental science, chemistry and engineering practices. Two of the engineering practice courses offer you the opportunity to engage in a multidisciplinary project offered by Engineers Without Borders, whereby you work in teams to learn about environmental principles and sustainable design. Basic computer aided design mapping skills, and other basic computing skills are also introduced in year one. Geology courses offer skills in basic site investigations, undertaken through a number of site visits.

**Year two**

In year two, a basic grounding in environmental engineering is offered through courses such as water engineering, urban systems of water supply, geological site investigations and pollution control. From year two, you will also select courses from your chosen major.

**Year three**

In third year you will learn about groundwater, land contamination and remediation, waste water treatment and recycling and urban systems, which explores environmental design aspects of selected urban systems.

**Year four**

In the fourth and final year, you will engage in an integrated workplace project, undertaken as an individual project sourced from industry. The relationship of ethics and law in professional practice will also be explored.

**Career outlook**

Environmental engineering graduates have a great opportunity to make a real difference to our world by introducing sustainable practices to preserve the environment, remediate environmental disasters, and prepare the community for adverse effects of climate change. Recent graduate destination data indicates 100% employment for RMIT environmental engineering graduates. Graduates are currently employed in senior positions in VicRoads, Department of Sustainability and Environment and in many other organisations. Many environmental engineers work as consultants on a variety of different projects in Australia and overseas.

**Professional recognition**

The Bachelor of Engineering (Environmental Engineering) is accredited by Engineers Australia. Graduates are eligible to apply for graduate membership of Engineers Australia and are recognised as professional engineers in all member countries of the Washington Accord.

www.engineersaustralia.org.au
www.washingtonaccord.org

**Global connections**

RMIT environmental engineering students have the option to undertake a study tour to Paris entitled “Sustainable cities” and engage in a Vietnam research project.

**Prerequisite**

Units 3 and 4 — mathematical methods (CAS) and a study score of at least 30 in English (ESL) or at least 25 in any other English.

**Extra requirements**

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Please refer to the 2012 VTAC Guide for full details on extra requirements.

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› Environmental science (page 7)
› Environmental science/environmental engineering (page 6)

See the engineering brochure for more information on:

› Civil and infrastructure engineering
› Sustainable systems engineering

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See page 17 for application details: V — VTAC; X — RMIT Direct; R — RMIT School; X — Extra requirement

Environmental engineering at RMIT offers the opportunity to specialise in civil engineering, groundwater or chemical engineering.
ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE/ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING

BP235 Bachelor of Environmental Science/Bachelor of Engineering (Environmental Engineering)
Duration: FTS or PTA — X
2011 ATAR: N/A
www.rmit.edu.au/programs/bp235
CITY CAMPUS

This double degree combines the essential elements of environmental science (understanding the interactions in the environment) with environmental engineering (designing solutions to environmental problems). You will gain a thorough understanding of environmental processes and the ability to develop and implement waste minimisation and remediation strategies. You will also develop and implement environmental management systems, allowing you to contribute at the science/engineering interface.

The program offers:
» considerable hands-on experience with laboratory and field equipment
» field trips as an integral part of the learning process
» the opportunity to work on collaborative projects with industry.

Why double-up?

A graduate of the double degree in environmental science and environmental engineering is uniquely placed to obtain work in a variety of workplaces, having the understanding of the science together with the ability to design solutions.

Working with industry

Regular field trips involving teamwork and the use of instrumentation are often carried out in association with industry. You will also be required to undertake 12 weeks of professional engineering work experience, usually between years three and four, which will give you a better understanding of workplace practices and is a great opportunity to identify specific areas that interest you.

There is also an opportunity to undertake a team research project in Vietnam (see page 15 for details).

What you will study

Year one

You will concentrate on fundamentals in environmental science, chemistry, biology, mathematics and engineering practices.

Year two

In the environmental science component of the degree, you will specialise in one of two core disciplines, either environmental biology or environmental chemistry.

Engineering practice courses give you the opportunity to engage in a multidisciplinary project. Working in teams you learn about environmental principles and sustainable design.

Year three

A basic grounding in environmental engineering is offered through courses in water engineering, urban systems of water supply, geological site investigations and pollution control. Geology courses develop skills in basic site investigations through site visits.

Year four

You will undertake an environmental engineering project, and develop an understanding of groundwater resources, land contamination and wastewater treatment and recycling.

The impact of human activities on the biosphere, atmosphere, hydrosphere and lithosphere is also explored. You will continue to study your environmental science specialisation.

Year five

Final year concentrates on advanced topics in environmental analysis and engineering, including infrastructure planning.

You will complete an independent science project, along with studies in environmental ethics, policies and law. A work-integrated engineering project is also undertaken as an individual project sourced from industry.

Career outlook

The training and the experiences provided at RMIT are modelled on the type of work likely to be required after graduation. This makes RMIT graduates in environmental science/environmental engineering highly employable. A graduate in both science and engineering stands in a unique place, straddling both worlds, which makes them very much in demand.

Graduates can work in corporate or industrial sectors, or in government agencies. They can work as consultants designing innovative environmental products as well as resolving existing environmental problems though the application of both their environmental science and engineering skills.
ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

BP192 Bachelor of Environmental Science
Duration: FT3 or PT6—V X
2011 ATAR: 59.15
www.rmit.edu.au/programs/bp192
CITY CAMPUS

Environmental science at RMIT is concerned with the evaluation and management of all aspects of the environment (atmosphere, hydrosphere, lithosphere and biosphere). This degree will provide you with a detailed knowledge of processes which occur in both natural and degraded environments, combined with a specialisation in two areas of environmental study. One of the specialisations will be either environmental chemistry or environmental biology. The other specialisation can be chosen from environmental engineering, environmental management, instrumental analysis or geospatial science.

In the environmental science degree at RMIT you will:
- gain considerable hands-on experience with equipment both in the laboratory and in the field. This is done in small groups to give each student equal opportunity.
- take part in many field trips. There are usually two to three field trips per semester.
- be given the opportunity to work on collaborative projects with industry. This generally involves working in small teams.

Considerable emphasis is placed on enabling each student to settle into this program and providing additional academic help, where needed.

Working with industry
Regular field trips are a feature of this degree. They involve teamwork and are often carried out in association with government agencies, environmental agencies and consultancies. All students also engage with industry in their final year project.

There is also an opportunity to undertake a team research project in Vietnam (see page 15 for details).

What you will study

Year one
You will study chemistry and biology related to the environment, the processes involved in the development of the Earth, statistics, scientific communication, and ideas of environmental thought and action. There are a number of excursions during the year, including a weekend trip to French Island.

Year two
You will choose your two specialisations. All students study processes which occur in the natural environment and attend several excursions each semester.

Year three
You will continue with your specialisations and explore processes occurring in degraded environments. In first semester you will undertake a week-long field trip and learn how to work effectively in teams on a set project. Currently this project takes place in Lakes Entrance investigating the health of a local river and lake. In the second semester, you will work in a team on a science project of your choice, generally with an industry partner.

As an alternative to the science project, you may apply to be part of the Vietnam project (see page 15), or attend an excursion to Lizard Island in Queensland.

Honours
An honours year is available.

Career outlook
The training and the experiences provided at RMIT are modelled on the type of work likely to be required after graduation. This makes the RMIT graduates in environmental science highly employable.

Graduates obtain jobs in environmental consultancies, government agencies, resource management, research and education, and the mining/manufacturing industry.

Typical tasks that graduates undertake include sample collection and analysis, waste management, ongoing monitoring and assessment, environmental impact assessment, site remediation, policy development, cleaner production, environmental education and training and environmental auditing.

A number of past graduates are now in senior positions in several industry areas, including the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Throughout the degree, field trips allow you to gain practical experience.

Professional recognition
All graduates will be eligible for membership of the Environment Institute of Australia and New Zealand. Those with sufficient chemistry may apply to the Royal Australian Chemical Institute for membership.

Global connections
Students may spend one semester or one year at an overseas institution through the Education Abroad program at more than 120 partner universities. Recent students have studied in Denmark (Technical University of Denmark), Canada (Concordia), Sweden (Lund University), Holland (Delft University of Technology) and the USA (Buffalo State University).

Prerequisite
Units 3 and 4—one of mathematical methods (CAS) or specialist mathematics and a study score of at least 30 in English (ESL) or at least 25 in any other English.

Extra requirements
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Pathway
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- Diploma of Conservation and Land Management

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See the science brochure for more information on:
- Applied sciences
I began the Bachelor of Environmental Science after finishing the Diploma in Conservation and Land Management at RMIT. The pathway between the two programs allowed me to gain both a diploma and a degree in only four years.

I have had many challenging experiences, made great friends and have developed extensive knowledge through practical and theoretical studies throughout my time at RMIT. I have gained broad scientific experience and developed skills through RMIT teachings on and off campus that will greatly assist me in the future.

Participating in the environmental research project in Ho Chi Minh City in Vietnam has been a highlight of my studies. The project involved researching sustainable urban development and concentrating on the issues, opportunities and limitations in regard to the Clean Development Mechanism.

Research began in Melbourne and we then spent two intensive weeks meeting with different companies, government bodies and organisations to further develop our knowledge on how sustainable development works in Vietnam and how it can be improved.

We all faced many challenges in Vietnam, through determining government processes, construction, planning and community culture, but the team enjoyed the process and learnt a great deal.

After finishing I’d like to travel and gain more life experience before getting started in a career. I hope to work in the marine industry focusing on conservation and regulated fishing practices. I want to protect what the ocean has to offer and help maintain its ecosystems.

John Cooper
Bachelor of Environmental Science
ENGLISH SCIENCE/ MANAGEMENT

BP161 Bachelor of Environmental Science/Bachelor of Business (Management)
Duration: FT4—V X
2011 ATAR: N/A
www.rmit.edu.au/programs/bp161

CITY CAMPUS

Through this double degree in environmental science and management, you will gain a thorough knowledge of environmental science and business management principles and practices.

Environmental science graduates, particularly those working in consulting firms, need a sound knowledge of management principles in order to implement environmental policy.

The program offers:
» considerable hands-on experience with equipment both in the laboratory and in the field
» field trips as an integral part of the learning process
» the opportunity to work on collaborative projects with industry, generally in small teams.

Why double-up?

Companies have to be accountable for their environmental impact, and operate an environmental management plan to this effect.

The double degree between environmental science and business combines an understanding of business management with a sound knowledge of the environment to create an attractive package for prospective employers.

Double degree graduates gain further skills and knowledge that may extend their opportunities into future management positions.

Working with industry

All students engage with industry in their final year project, both in environmental science and in business.

Regular field trips are a feature of the degree and are often carried out in association with industry. In the third year you have the opportunity to work with a range of environmental agencies and consultancies.

There is also an opportunity to undertake a team research project in Vietnam (see page 15 for details).

What you will study

As a double degree student you will study the same environmental science courses as the single degree environmental science students, but only choose one major field of science study. At the same time, you will choose electives in business that lead to specialisation in areas such as accountancy, human resources, management, marketing and public administration.

Career outlook

Graduates with this double degree are attractive to companies. They have sound management skills and a strong understanding of the various scientific papers that land on their desk. It is their job to make sure businesses operate in an environmentally sustainable way, according to their environmental management plan.

Graduates find work in diverse settings including environmental consultancies, analytical services for site assessment and remediation, recycling and treatment companies and forestry, mining and service industries. These days, private companies have to be responsible for their environmental processes and employ professionals with business skills to manage their performance.

Professional recognition

All graduates will be eligible for membership of the Environment Institute of Australia and New Zealand. Those with sufficient Chemistry may apply to the Royal Australian Chemical Institute for membership.

The program is accredited by the Australian Institute of Management.

Global connections

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GEOSPATIAL SCIENCE

BP087 Bachelor of Science (Geospatial Science)
Duration: FT4 or PTA—V X
2011 ATAR: 66.65
www.rmit.edu.au/programs/bp087

The program develops professionals to work in geospatial science, which is all about location. If we understand where things are and how they are connected, we better understand our world. Geospatial scientists use location as the key to collecting, managing, analysing and interpreting information.

Teaching at RMIT is built on a strong link between theory and practice. While there is a sound theoretical base, most courses incorporate extensive practical work to build skills as well as knowledge.

Geospatial science is a specialised discipline, so you enjoy the advantage of small class sizes, focused content and staff who are easily accessible. RMIT maintains strong links with industry and members of the profession regularly participate in our teaching programs.

While you will find elements of geospatial science in other programs, RMIT offers the only four-year undergraduate degree in Victoria. There is also a dedicated field station at Yarra Bend Park to support practical work.

Learning support for students includes a first year transition program, academic coordinators for each year level and a strong Geospatial Science Student Association.

Working with industry
Many RMIT activities are guided by industry. For example, you will undertake an exercise based on the Yarra Bend Park Strategy Plan. You will survey an area of the park, then model, design and illustrate an amphitheatre to suit the local environment.

You are also expected to complete 60 days work experience during your program. This is usually in the form of paid employment during vacation periods or as a part-time employee. You may receive assistance in finding a placement.

What you will study
In the early years of the program, you will study the fundamentals of measurement science, cartography and spatial information science (GIS). Other fundamental skills in mathematics, statistics and physics are also covered.

In later years, more specialised studies are offered in geodesy, map projections, spatial analysis, web design, remote sensing, image analysis and professional practice. Elective choices give you the opportunity to develop further skills in these areas or to learn more about information technology, environmental studies, planning and land administration.

From first year, you will engage in project based learning, tackling real-world problems and designing solutions using geospatial tools. This continues in other years, and you will design and undertake a substantial major project in your final year.

Practical work is based on industry standard software and hardware, the same tools you will find in the workplace. You will have ample opportunities to develop skills and experience with these tools.

Career outlook
Graduates work in diverse roles and can be found managing and planning land use systems in local government; mapping and analysing crime patterns with the police; building systems for monitoring the spread of infectious diseases; and providing maps and other data for mobile phones. More and more organisations are relying on spatial data as a key information source. As a result, there is strong industry demand for graduates and they can work in any organisation where spatial information is used (see www.spatialjobs.com.au). Over 90% of our graduates are typically employed within three months of completing their studies.

Professional recognition
Graduates from this program are eligible for admission to the Surveying and Spatial Sciences Institute. They also meet the requirements to be members of the Mapping Sciences Institute of Australia.

www.mappingscience.org.au
www.spatialsciences.org.au

Global connections
Opportunities exist to go on exchange with universities in Stockholm, Sweden and Vienna, Austria.

Prerequisite
Units 3 and 4—mathematics (any), and a study score of at least 30 in English (ESL) or at least 25 in any other English.

Extra requirements
Non-Year 12 applicants must complete and submit a VTAC Pi form, available online at www.vtac.edu.au, if they wish other information to be considered.

Please refer to the 2012 VTAC Guide for full details on extra requirements.

Pathway
RMIT graduates of the following program may be eligible to apply for exemptions:

» Advanced Diploma of Spatial Information Services

You may also be interested in...

» Environmental science (page 7)
» Surveying (page 11)
» Urban and regional planning (page 13)

See the engineering brochure for more information on:

» Civil engineering
SURVEYING

BP089 Bachelor of Applied Science (Surveying)
Duration: FT4 or PTA—X
2011 ATAR: 75.75
www.rmit.edu.au/programs/bp089

CITY CAMPUS

Surveyors are masters of measurement, whether it is to locate a property boundary or set out a high-rise building. Today’s surveyors use advanced equipment and specialised software to determine the accurate position of features on the Earth. They also design subdivisions, measure the ocean floor and monitor deformation of the Earth’s crust. It requires attention to detail and a precise mind.

The degree is built on a strong link between theory and practice. While there is a sound theoretical base, most subjects incorporate extensive practical work to build skills as well as knowledge.

Surveying is a specialised discipline, so you enjoy the advantage of small class sizes, focused content and staff who are easily accessible. RMIT maintains strong links with industry and members of the profession regularly participate in our teaching programs.

RMIT offers the only undergraduate degree in surveying in Victoria. There is also a dedicated field station at Yarra Bend Park to support practical work.

Learning support for students includes a first year transition program, academic coordinators for each year level and a strong Geospatial Science Student Association.

Working with industry

Many RMIT activities are guided by industry. For example, you will undertake an exercise based on the Yarra Bend Park Strategy Plan. You will survey an area of the park, then model, design and illustrate an amphitheatre to suit the local environment.

You are also expected to complete 60 days work experience during your program. This is usually in the form of paid employment during vacation periods or as a part-time employee. You may receive assistance in finding a placement.

What you will study

In the early years of the program, you will study the fundamentals of measurement science, cartography and spatial information science (GIS). Other fundamental skills in mathematics, statistics and physics are also covered.

In later years, more specialised studies are offered in geodesy, map projections, spatial analysis, remote sensing, image analysis and professional practice. Specialised studies in cadastral and engineering surveying, GPS and advanced adjustment methods are central components of the program.

Field camps are held in years two and three to reinforce the theoretical learning and allow you to exercise your knowledge on real-world problems.

Practical work is based on industry standard software and hardware, the same tools you will find in the workplace. You will have ample opportunities to develop skills and experience with these tools.

Career outlook

Graduates are typically employed in small and medium sized consultancy businesses, in the mining sector and in government agencies. Graduate employment has approached 100% for the past few years and there is a continuing shortage of suitably qualified surveyors. Many graduates enter a Professional Training Agreement and become Licensed Surveyors.

For more information visit:
www.surveying.org.au
www.alfewithoutlimits.com.au
www.surveyorsboard.vic.gov.au
www.spatialsciences.org.au

Global connections

Students can study for one or more semesters at an overseas institution through the Education Abroad program at more than 120 partner universities.

Prerequisite

Units 3 and 4—one of mathematical methods (CAS) or specialist mathematics and a study score of at least 30 in English (ESL) or at least 25 in any other English.

Extra requirements

Non-Year 12 applicants must complete and submit a VTAC Pi form, available online at www.vtac.edu.au, if they wish other information to be considered.

Please refer to the 2012 VTAC Guide for full details on extra requirements.

Pathway

RMIT graduates of the following program may be eligible to apply for exemptions of up to two years:

» Advanced Diploma of Spatial Information Services

You may also be interested in...

» Geospatial science (page 10)

See the engineering brochure for more information on:

» Civil and infrastructure engineering

Legend:
FT—Full-time (number of years); PT—Part-time (number of years); RC—A range of selection criteria applied; N/A—Not available; D—Degree program; T—TAFE program

See page 17 for application details: V—VTAC; R—RMIT Direct; S—RMIT School; X—Extra requirement
LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE/URBAN DESIGN

BP239 Bachelor of Design (Landscape Architecture)/Bachelor of Urban and Regional Planning

Duration: FTS—V X
2011 ATAR: RC
www.rmit.edu.au/programs/bp239

CITY CAMPUS

The urban sprawl of Melbourne or the design of a new city in China—these are the challenges that face urban designers.

Urban design is widely acknowledged as an emerging profession that connects people with the places they live in to address environmental, aesthetic and economic needs. RMIT’s double degree in landscape architecture and planning is strategically positioned to address the future of our cities and the problems associated with population growth. This extends the skills traditionally associated with urban and regional planners and landscape architects in new and exciting areas. You can have a positive influence in the cities and communities you live in through design and planning.

Working with industry

Industry-based projects occur throughout the design studios.

In 2010, a group of students were asked to design a landscape concept for a 1000 sqm footprint for Devine Communities’ Arndell Estate in suburban Victoria. The winning design generated in the studio is now being built at the $160 million residential community.

What you will study

The features of this double degree are:

» Studios that provide you with an increasingly challenging set of forums within which you can test and integrate ideas by pinning up your designs and debating the strengths and weaknesses of your visions.

» A series of professionally-orientated urban planning courses, including industry engagement.

» A set of technical skills-based courses, for example computer-aided design.

» A set of wider philosophical courses that resonate with debates about social justice, sustainability and a sense of history.

» A collection of electives giving you strategic choices within RMIT’s School of Global Studies, Social Science and Planning; School of Architecture and Design; and the University more generally.

You will acquire capabilities such as:

» A set of critical and analytical skills that can be applied at various spatial scales, from particular land-use plots to metropolitan areas as a whole.

» The ability to communicate in multimedia, having sound written and oral skills, and the ability to actively listen and engage in debate and discussion in situations where there is no right technical answer.

» The capacity to work collaboratively with other professionals who deal with the built environment or human services, as well as work with the community as represented by individual clients or social groups, including those associated with Indigenous peoples and multicultural interests.

» The capability to frame arguments in terms of the long-term view associated with sustainability, synthesising ecological, social and economic arguments.

Career outlook

Graduates will be able to find employment in local government, urban design consultancies, landscape architecture practices or state or federal government departments. Graduates will be able to work independently or as part of a multidisciplinary team. The main field of work will probably be urban design, but there are related opportunities in statutory and strategic planning as well as transportation and community engagement. Graduates may work on plazas and pedestrian precincts, new subdivisions, large open spaces such as parks and nature reserves, and urban revitalisation projects.

Professional recognition

Accreditation with the Planning Institute of Australia (PIA) has been granted. PIA has mutual recognition of membership status with the New Zealand Planning Institute (NZPl) and Canadian Institute of Planners/Institut Canadien des Urbanistes (CIP).

Australian Institute of Landscape Architects (AILA) is landscape architecture’s accrediting body.

Global connections

» The landscape architecture program offers a huge range of international exchanges, study tour and internship opportunities. In 2010, students went to Tokyo, Vietnam, China and the US.

» In 2010, student work completed in design studios was exhibited at the European Biennial of Landscape Architecture held in Barcelona. This exciting international event showcased 588 projects from landscape architecture and architecture schools from around the world.

» There is an annual internship offered to selected students at the Karres en Brands office in the Netherlands. Karres en Brands were the appointed landscape architects for Federation Square.

Prerequisite

Units 3 and 4—a study score of at least 30 in English (ESL) or at least 25 in any other English.

Extra requirements

All applicants are required to attend a group workshop.

Applicants undertake an individual design exercise and interview. One or two of the current landscape architecture staff or students will review and discuss evidence of your creativity with you and ask you a series of questions.

Evidence of creativity relates to anything that will demonstrate your creativity. It could be a package of images, drawings, sketches, paintings, models, music, photographs, videos, websites etc. of personal projects. This may be in the form of a traditional portfolio (i.e. works on paper) or whatever medium is considered suitable.

The design exercise does not require any prior knowledge, experience or preparation. It is intended to show your individuality and ability to think creatively.

Please refer to the 2012 VTAC Guide for full details on extra requirements.

Pathway

RMIT has existing articulation agreements with the Art, Design and Architecture Foundation Studies program.

You may also be interested in…

» Environmental engineering (page 5)
» Environmental science/management (page 9)
» Surveying (page 11)
» Urban and regional planning (page 13)

See the architecture and building brochure for more information on:

» Architectural design
» Landscape architecture (design)
» Project management

Student artwork ‘Catch the Water—Elizabeth Street Collage’ by Alice Lewis, Matt Conte and Louise Naimo.
URBAN AND REGIONAL PLANNING

BP188 Bachelor of Urban and Regional Planning

Duration: FT4—V X
2011 ATAR: 72.00

CITY CAMPUS

Do you want to change and shape the world?

Urban and regional planning is more than just creating physical environments. It teaches you to understand all the influences that affect the way we live, and the many factors that need to be considered in order to create sustainable and liveable cities and regions.

This program is suitable for those with interests in geography, urban design, history, economics, politics and environmental studies.

While this program focuses on Melbourne and its surroundings, you will be introduced to planning practices in other parts of the world.

You will be involved in many real-life projects with leading practitioners, not just academics.

RMIT urban and regional planning graduates easily find work both locally and far beyond. They have the education and professional skills to make the world more sustainable.

Working with industry

In fourth year, students undertake 60 days of paid employment. Potential employers provide RMIT with position descriptions from which students select. There are competitive interviews involved, however, there are usually more placement offers than students.

The work placements often lead to full-time work upon graduation.

What you will study

Year one

To understand the foundations of urban and regional planning, you will cover the origins and development of planning principles and practices in the context of a wider study of Australian society, politics and economics.

Year two

In second year there is a focus on contemporary planning policies together with social science research methods, planning law, urban design and climate change. You can study for a semester overseas in countries with progressive planning systems such as Canada, Finland, the Netherlands and Sweden.

Year three

You will be able to specialise in different areas of practice: rural, transport and social planning, and planning at local government.

Year four

In your final year you will undertake a 60-day, paid work placement. You will also undertake studies in urban design, property development, structure planning and planning theory. You finish by writing either a major planning report in a small group on a topic of their choosing or an individual thesis.

Honours

An honours year is available.

Career outlook

Urban and regional planning graduates readily secure jobs and have ample opportunity for early career promotions. Many start in local government, or find work with private sector planning consultancies and property developers. Graduates can also build careers in areas such as urban design, community health and welfare, housing, and transport planning. Many RMIT planners work overseas.

Professional recognition

The RMIT urban and regional planning degree is recognised by the Planning Institute of Australia. RMIT students are eligible for student membership. The Planning Institute of Australia (PIA) has mutual recognition of membership status with the New Zealand Planning Institute (NZPI) and Canadian Institute of Planners/Institut Canadien des Urbanistes (CIP).

Global connections

Students can study for a semester overseas in second year in countries with progressive planning systems such as Canada, Finland, the Netherlands and Sweden.

Prerequisite

Units 3 and 4—a study score of at least 30 in English (ESL) or at least 25 in any other English.

Extra requirements

Non-Year 12 applicants must complete and submit an RMIT Urban and Regional Planning Supplementary Information Form available online at www.rmit.edu.au/programs/apply/forms/vtac. Shortlisted applicants may be required to attend an interview.

Please refer to the 2012 VTAC Guide for full details on extra requirements.

Pathway

Students have the option of transferring to a two-year honours program after their second year if they have a sufficient grade point average.

You may also be interested in...

» Environment (page 3)

See the architecture and building brochure for more information on:

» Landscape architecture (design)

» Project management
The highlight of my studies was taking part in the Vietnam Project with a team of 11 other students. We investigated climate change adaptation and directions for sustainable urban development, looking specifically at the implications of flooding in Ho Chi Minh City.

Carl Larsen
Bachelor of Environmental Science/Bachelor of Social Science (Environment)
**SCHOLARSHIPS**

Scholarships at RMIT: a world of possibilities

Commencing and current students are strongly encouraged to apply for an RMIT scholarship.

Each year RMIT awards millions of dollars in scholarships to thousands of RMIT students across all TAFE, university and postgraduate program areas.

RMIT scholarships recognise academic achievement, leadership and community skills. RMIT also offers Equity and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander scholarships to assist students from a range of backgrounds to achieve their study ambitions.

**Scholarships for academic achievement**

If you achieve outstanding VCE (or equivalent) results, there are many opportunities to have your talents rewarded at RMIT.

**Leadership scholarships**

Leadership and community involvement scholarships provide assistance in the education of young people with outstanding leadership potential. These scholarships target students with a passion for study and a commitment to contributing to their community.

**Equity scholarships**

Equity scholarships are available to assist students from disadvantaged backgrounds.

**Scholarships for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students**

RMIT is committed to supporting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to engage in study through financial support.

**Research scholarships**

RMIT has various scholarships to assist you with your academic and career goals.

Further information on these and many more scholarships is available on our website: www.rmit.edu.au/scholarships

**VIETNAM PROJECT**

Students have the opportunity to undertake a team research project in Vietnam.

Since 2002, the Vietnam project has sent a team of 12 students from RMIT’s environmental degrees to work on a relevant environment project in Ho Chi Minh City.

The students are selected through a competitive process and are drawn from environmental engineering, environmental science and environment (social science) degrees and form the nucleus of a small multidisciplinary environmental consultancy.

Working in consultation with architects, site engineers and industry specialists, you will investigate development issues in and around the city.

Practical involvement in an international project gives you an understanding of professional interaction in a cross-cultural context, an appreciation of working within an interdisciplinary team, and a general initiation into a skilled working environment.

You will learn to liaise with professionals representing various fields, and the importance of teamwork skills.

**MORE DEGREE AND TAFE STUDY OPTIONS**

The following brochures are also available:

- Apprenticeship and traineeship
- Architecture and building
- Art and design
- Business
- Community services and social sciences
- Computing and information technology
- Education and training
- Engineering
- Health and medical sciences
- Justice and legal
- Media and communications
- Science

Order more brochures online at www.rmit.edu.au/programs/publications.

Alternatively, speak to a customer service consultant at RMIT’s Info Corner. Tel. + 61 3 9925 2260, email study@rmit.edu.au, or drop into Info Corner at 330 Swanston Street (cnr La Trobe St), Melbourne.
MONEY MATTERS

TAFE programs
At TAFE you may be offered a state government-subsidised place or a full-fee place.

State government-subsidised places
You are eligible for a government-subsidised place if you are:
» an Australian citizen, an Australian Permanent Resident, a Special Category Visa holder (sub-class 444, New Zealand citizen), or an East Timorese asylum seeker
and any of the following:
» under 20 years of age on 1 January in the year you start studying
» enrolling in a Foundation Skills qualification (as categorised by Skills Victoria)
» enrolling in a qualification that is accredited at a higher level than the qualifications you already hold
» a Victorian apprentice commencing in 2011.
TAFE tuition fees are determined by the level of the qualification and in 2011 they were categorised as follows:

Skills Creation: certificate I and II
$1.51 per student contact hour with a minimum fee $105 and a maximum fee $875 p.a.

Skills Building: certificate III and IV
$1.84 per student contact hour with a minimum fee $188 and a maximum fee $1250 p.a.

Skills Deepening: diploma and advanced diploma
$3.79 per student contact hour with a minimum fee $375 and a maximum $2000 p.a.

For information about the TAFE program level you will be enrolled in and how this will affect your eligibility for a government-subsidised place and the tuition fees that you will pay, please refer to www.rmit.edu.au/programs/apply/tafe/eligibility.

Full-fee places
If you do not meet the criteria listed above then you will be offered a full-fee place (FFP). FFP students are required to pay the approved tuition fee for their program. FFP fees vary according to each program. A full list of fees for TAFE programs is available online at www.rmit.edu.au/programs/fees/tafe/fullfee.

Financial assistance
Financial assistance may be available to eligible students through the VET FEE-HELP scheme, which is a government loans scheme to assist students to pay their tuition fees. For information visit www.deewr.gov.au/vetfeehelp.

TAFE fee concession
If you are a Victorian Government-funded student with a Health Care Card or receive government benefits through Centrelink you may be entitled to a concession on your tuition fees, which in most cases is equivalent to the minimum fee for the qualification level. For information visit www.rmit.edu.au/programs/fees/tafe/concession.

Associate degree and degree programs
If you are applying for an associate degree or degree program you may be offered a Commonwealth-supported place (CSP).

Commonwealth Supported Places (CSP)
A CSP is jointly funded by you and the Commonwealth Government. Some Commonwealth supported students may be eligible for HECS HELP. The amount to be paid is defined by Student Contribution ‘bands’. In 2011, the following student contributions for a standard, annual, full-time load applied:

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More information
For information on Commonwealth supported places and HECS HELP please visit the Australian Government Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations website at www.goingtouni.gov.au.

Australian students may be eligible to apply for income tax deductions relating to the education expenses that are linked to their employment. Students should check with an accredited taxation accountant/consultant as to their eligibility for possible deductions. The Australian Taxation Office website may also be useful www.ato.gov.au.

Material fees (TAFE and degree)
Material fees are charged by RMIT for goods and services associated with your study such as field trips or lecture notes, reading material or course readers and laboratory or workshop equipment that is consumed by you or may become your own property after you have completed the course. These fees are not compulsory and you can choose to purchase these items independently.

Please note: fees indicated relate to 2011 and should be used as a guide only. RMIT reserves the right to adjust fees for full-fee places on an annual basis.
HOW TO APPLY

Before applying for a program at RMIT, check the mode of application and the extra requirements in this brochure, the VTAC Guide or at www.rmit.edu.au/programs.

How to apply by program type

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* Some certificate III and lower programs are administered by direct application. Please visit www.rmit.edu.au/programs for more information.

VTAC application

To apply for the following RMIT programs for Semester 1 2012, you need to apply through the Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC):

- degree programs—full-time and part-time
- certificate and diploma programs—full-time and part-time.

For more detailed information about the VTAC application process, entrance requirements and application dates go to www.vtac.edu.au.

Direct application

To apply for one of the following programs submit a direct application at www.rmit.edu.au/programs/apply:

- TAFE
  - VCE and VCAL
  - full-time and part-time TAFE programs not offered through VTAC
- Degree
  - new degrees not offered through VTAC
- Midyear
  - distance education degree program
- Midyear
  - all midyear applications

RMIT school-based application

A number of TAFE certificate I, II, III and a limited number of certificate IV programs accept applications directly to the relevant RMIT school. Information on where to obtain and lodge an application can be found on the program information web page at www.rmit.edu.au/programs, by contacting Info Corner, or by contacting the relevant RMIT school at www.rmit.edu.au/schools.

Midyear entry

To apply for midyear entry at RMIT you will need to apply online at www.rmit.edu.au/programs/midyear.

Not all RMIT programs will accept applications for midyear entry. A list of programs accepting midyear applications is published in May at www.rmit.edu.au/programs/midyear.

Entrance requirements

RMIT has general requirements of entry which applicants are required to meet in order to demonstrate their capacity to successfully complete an RMIT program. The general requirements of entry for undergraduate programs can be found at www.rmit.edu.au/policies/students/selection.

Extra requirements

Many programs at RMIT have extra requirements as part of their selection process such as:

- an interview
- a test
- a folio
- completion of additional supplementary forms.

It is very important that you carefully read any extra requirements listed under programs in the current VTAC Guide or in RMIT program brochures. Failure to comply with these requirements by the date specified will jeopardise entry into a program.


Application dates

Key application dates are as follows:

- 1 May: Midyear intake applications open
- 31 May: Closing date for direct applications—midyear (timely)
- 1 August: VTAC applications open
- 14 August: Direct applications for degree and diploma programs open (Semester 1 2012 intake)
- 30 September: Closing date for VTAC applications (timely)
- 11 October: Closing date for VTAC SEAS and Direct ACESS applications
- 31 October: Closing date for direct applications—selected TAFE programs
- 10 November: Closing date for direct applications—postgraduate and honours (timely)
- 11 November: Closing date for VTAC applications (late)
- 1 December: Closing date for direct applications—selected degree and TAFE programs
- 9 December: Closing date for VTAC applications (very late)

International/non-resident of Australia

Applicants who are not Australian or New Zealand citizens, permanent residents of Australia or holders of a Permanent Humanitarian or Temporary Protection Visa should apply through RMIT International Services (unless currently studying Year 12 in Victoria—VCE or the International Baccalaureate).

For more information visit www.rmit.edu.au/programs/international.

More information

For more information about RMIT programs and application procedures go to www.rmit.edu.au/programs/apply or contact Info Corner at 330 Swanston Street, Melbourne, tel. +61 3 9925 2260 or email study@rmit.edu.au.