

# CAREERS IN THE OUTDOORS<sup>1</sup>

| Career Level           | Entry Level   | Early Career   | Mid Career   | Upper Mid Career   | Senior Professional   |
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| <b>Career examples</b> | Outdoor Recreation Assistant<br>Tour Guide<br>Youth Worker  | Activity Instructor<br>Recreation Officer<br>Outdoor Education teacher<br>Group Leader<br>Tour Guide<br>Youth Worker                   | Program Coordinator<br>Senior Outdoor Instructor<br>Tour Operator<br>Adventure Therapist<br>Outdoor Education coordinator  | Recreation Manager<br>Head of Learning Areas<br>Tourism and Events Manager<br>Manager, Sport and Recreation facilities   | Residential School (Camp) Principal<br>CEO - Outdoor Industries / Education<br>Business Manager, Facilities and Services                          |
| <b>Qualifications</b>  | <b>Vocational Education and Training</b>  |  | <b>Tertiary Pathways</b>   |  |   |
|                        | <b>Outdoor Recreation</b><br><br><i>Certificate II in:</i><br><br>Outdoor Recreation<br>Sport and Recreation<br>Sports Coaching | <b>Outdoor Recreation</b><br><br><i>Certificate III or IV in:</i><br><br>Outdoor Recreation<br>Sport and Recreation<br>Sports Coaching | <b>Outdoor Education / Recreation</b><br><br><i>Bachelor of:</i><br><br>Outdoor and Environmental Education;<br>Outdoor Recreation (+ Dip Ed);<br>Education (Physical Education) plus<br>Graduate Diploma Outdoor Recreation<br>Sports Science (+ Dip Ed)<br>Human Movement (+ Dip Ed) | <b>Outdoor Education / Recreation:</b><br><br><i>Post Graduate (Diploma):</i><br><br>Outdoor Recreation; Sport and<br>Recreation; Education; Teaching                      | <b>Education:</b><br><br><i>Masters/PhD in:</i><br><br>Education / Teaching, Outdoor<br>Education   |
|                        | <b>Adventure Therapy</b><br><br><i>Certificate III in:</i><br><br>Youth Work<br>Community Development                           | <b>Adventure Therapy</b><br><br><i>Certificate IV or Diploma in:</i><br><br>Youth Work<br>Community Services<br>Community Development  | <b>Adventure Therapy</b><br><br><i>Bachelor of:</i><br><br>Social Science<br>Psychology<br>Counselling   | <b>Adventure Therapy:</b><br><br><i>Post Graduate (Diploma):</i><br><br>Social Science; Youth Work; Positive<br>Psychology and Wellbeing; Psychology                       | <b>Adventure Therapy:</b><br><br><i>Masters/PhD in:</i><br><br>Outdoor and Adventure Therapy,<br>Outdoor Education, Social Science,<br>Psychology |
|                        | <b>Tourism</b><br><br><i>Certificate II in:</i><br><br>Tourism<br>Guiding   | <b>Tourism</b><br><br><i>Certificate III or IV in:</i><br><br>Tourism<br>Guiding   | <b>Tourism</b><br><br><i>Bachelor of:</i><br><br>Science (Ecotourism)<br>Commerce (Tourism and Hospitality)<br>Environmental Science<br>Marketing / Management<br><br>Diploma of Travel and Tourism<br>Management  | <b>Tourism / Outdoor Recreation:</b><br><br><i>Post Graduate (Diploma):</i><br><br>Travel and Tourism; Business<br>Management/Administration;<br>Guiding; Event Management | <b>Tourism / Outdoor Recreation</b><br><br><i>Master/PhD:</i><br><br>Business Administration; Outdoor<br>Education; Ecotourism                    |

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<sup>1</sup> These are suggested pathways and qualifications for career progression. Individual backgrounds and experiences may differ.