SUSTAINABILITY & WILDERNESS STUDIES,
THE UNIVERSITY OF TASMANIA

Sustainability & Wilderness Exchange
The Sustainability & Wilderness Exchange immerses participants in sustainability and wilderness study and practice on the Australian island state of Tasmania, home of the Australian environmental movement and the world’s very first Green party. The Exchange is an interdisciplinary program, suitable for high-performing students with a passion for sustainability and the environment, regardless of their major. In addition to themed coursework, you will work on a meaningful sustainability project with real-world impact, all for credit and all within easy reach of some of the wildest culture and wilderness in the world.

Offered in both Spring and Fall, the UCEAP Sustainability Exchange is hosted at the University of Tasmania’s Sandy Bay (Hobart) campus.

Sustainability Exchange participants undertake:

- One SIPS sustainability internship or research project for UC credit.
- Two courses (units) from the Sustainability & Wilderness Studies list
- One course (unit) from anywhere in the university.

The Program

SIPS - Sustainability Integration Program for Students
UTas offers all UCEAP Sustainability Exchange students substantive credit-bearing internship and research opportunities, through their award-winning SIPS.

After accepting their Sustainability Exchange offer, participants liaise with SIPS Coordinator, Dr Millie Rooney, to plan a 100-hour (approx. 1 day per semester week) internship or research project.

UCEAP Sustainability students will receive UC credit for their SIPS internship or research project under the UC 197 Internship or 196 Research Special Study Project course code.

Past SIPS internships/research projects have included:

- An energy audit of student accommodation and a report recommending various sustainability retrofits
- Developing and running the UTAS Ride to Uni breakfast
- Assisting in the development and roll out of a campus furniture recycling scheme.
- A peak oil risk assessment for UTAS
- A study of campus food waste
- A study of perceptions of recycling activities at UTAS
Sustainability & Wilderness Studies

The following courses (units) have been selected for their coverage of a range of sustainability and wilderness principles and practice, be that environmental, economic, social or psychological. Many have field trips. You can access the syllabi for many of these units here.

Semester 1 (Feb-Jun)
- XBR103 Global Food Security
- BMA207 Sustainable Tourism
- KGA171 Global Geographies of Change
- KGA332 Conserving Nature in Landscapes
- KLA115 Sustainable Resource Management
- KGA204 Earth, Climate & Life
- HPH101 Philosophy 1: Ethics
- KPZ211 Population & Community Ecology
- XBR302 Social Entrepreneurship in the Digital Age
- CXA322 Healthy and Sustainable Food Systems
- KGA326 Environmental Geomorphology
- BEA332 Evaluating Alternatives

Semester 2 (Jul-Oct)
- KGA308 Global Political Ecology
- XBR101 Engaging with Sustainability
- BEA101 Environmental & Resource Economics 1
- BEA201 Environmental & Resource Economics 2
- KGA223 Environmental Management
- KGA172 Space, Place and Nature
- HGA344 Green Criminology & Environmental Crime
- FFA271 Wilderness & Natural Environment
- KGA327 Landscape Evolution and Geoheritage Conservation
- XBR112 Humans: Earthshapers

University of Tasmania Unit Search

You can search for other UTas units here.