

Advanced Reptile - Field Surveys

Richmond College

Course No: 27629 Qualification: TAFE NSW Attendance Certificate National Course Code: N/A

Course Profile

There is a growing concern for amphibians and reptiles due to documented population declines and extinctions at local, regional and global levels.

The major causes are habitat loss, degradation and fragmentation due to human population growth and industry, as well as introduced pests and pathogens. Global warming and climate change are also looming as a major threat to reptiles with temperature-determined sexing.

Unfortunately there is little field data available for most species of Australian reptiles and amphibians, which makes management of a species practically impossible.

This course gives you the knowledge to conduct field research and publish your results, thus adding to the data base which may ultimately save many reptiles and amphibians from extinction in the wild.



Topics covered will include:

- Wild species identification, data collection, handling and restraint
- Reptile tracking and monitoring
- Habitat survey and assessment
- Map interpretation and field navigation
- Frog location and identification
- Development of ethograms and activity budgets
- Quantitative analysis and report writing

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Delivery Location:	Location to be advised.
Dates:	31 March & 1 April 2012
Duration:	This course runs for one weekend
Course Fee:	\$280 (tuition only - does not include accommodation)
Pre-requisites:	27627 Advanced Reptile – Venomous Snake and Crocodile Care or equivalent. A high level of knowledge of reptiles (including Elapids) and reptile care is required. Students must be 18years and older to handle venomous snakes.
Course requirements:	Solid footwear, hat, sensible clothing and other protection from the elements. Students must be over 18 years to handle venomous snakes. Due to legal requirements students under the age of 18 will not be able to participate in activities involving venomous snakes.

To register and pay online:
Click on this link to enrol in the course: <http://tinyurl.com/FieldSurveysRichmond>

About Richmond College

The college is located 17 kilometres from the M7. Take the Richmond Road exit. Richmond Road becomes Blacktown Road as you approach Richmond.

Look for the blue TAFE signs at the corner of Blacktown Road and Campus Drive just before entering Richmond.

Or, take a train to East Richmond station and then a pleasant 15 minute walk to the college.

On arrival at the college, look for signs that will direct you from the car park to your classroom.

Richmond College has a canteen open for breakfast, hamburgers and coffee etc.
Hours are 7.30am – 8.00pm (Monday–Thursday), 7.30am – 6.00pm (on Fridays).

Richmond College opens its doors each spring for **Spring Open Day**.

In 2012 this event will be held 10am – 4pm on Saturday 15 September.

Admission is free and everyone is invited to come to see our beautiful college grounds, meet teachers and students, and discover what Richmond College offers in courses and career options in Animal Care, Agriculture, Equine Studies, Horticulture, Floristry, Pest Management, IT, Business Services, Retail and General Education.

Concessions

No fee concessions are available on WSI PLUS courses.

Recognition of Prior Learning

All students in TAFE NSW are entitled to apply for recognition in the course or qualification in which they are currently enrolled.

Refunds and Cancellations

Cancellations advised in writing more than 7 days prior to the commencement of the course are eligible for a full refund. For cancellations advised within 7 days of the course, no refunds are made, but substitute delegate may attend.

* Temporary visa holders and international students – specific conditions apply.

About WSI PLUS Short Courses

WSI PLUS courses are run on a commercial basis and are specially designed to meet your immediate training needs. They are competitively priced to ensure that you get top quality training for a reasonable investment.

For more information

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