# **Student Challenge**

# earthwatch

Want to experience hands-on conservation?

Imagine spending a week in an amazing location with students from all over Australia, exploring solutions for a more sustainable relationship with our environment. The Earthwatch Student Challenge is a once in a lifetime opportunity for a select number of Year 10 - 12 students to experience environmental research first hand.

- No prior experience is necessary.
- Working with leading scientists, you will be trained in many aspects of scientific field work and gain valuable insights into conservation research.



## About Earthwatch

Earthwatch is a global environmental charity aiming to create a society that lives in balance with nature by empowering people to save the natural world.



## Eligibility

- Be a Year 10, 11 or 12 student
- Live in rural or regional NSW or QLD and attend a Government school.

Please note, a Letter of Reference from your teacher or principal and parental/guardian approval is required to apply.

Applications close August 4th 2025 at 11:59PM

## Apply now!

Use the QR code on the right or copy the link www.surveymonkey.com/r/J7QRVDV to apply.

Be quick! Numbers are strictly limited.



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## **Protecting Wetlands for the Future**



For successful applicants, the Fellowship covers:

- Transport to and from the expedition (including flights and airport transfers where applicable)
- Insurance
- All meals and accommodation
- · Field transport and research equipment
- Professional and academic transferrable skills



Mangroves are one of the world's most underrated coastal ecosystems. You may not know it, but mangroves provide most of our seafood, help clean the waters of the Great Barrier Reef, protect coasts from storms and erosion, are home to iconic wildlife, and are carbon storage powerhouses that help reduce carbon in the atmosphere. Unfortunately, mangroves are globally threatened by climate change, sea level rise and coastal development.

This is your chance to have some muddy fun and help researchers understand how mangrove forests respond to severe flood events and develop strategies to protect and enhance these coastal habitat heroes into the future.

### **Activities may include:**

- Estuary shoreline video assessment
- Mangrove forest flood recovery surveys
- Saltmarsh SAVER rapid assessments
- Mangrove crab and fauna assessments

#### Dates:

Sept 22nd-Sept 27th, 2025

### Accommodation:

Dormitory style with shared rooms and a separate toilet block.

### Location:

Mackay, QLD



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