

2019 Short Course

CONSERVATION PRACTICUM



This topic provides hands-on experience in the theory and methods of conservation for a wide range of sites and artefacts.

Course Content

This course is an intensive introduction to materials science; deterioration processes in marine environments; pre-disturbance conservation surveys; in-situ conservation and stabilisation; recovery, initial storage, stabilisation and transportation of artefacts; and refers to storage and display of conserved artefacts. It is designed to provide participants with a general theoretical and practical background to archaeological conservation. It should also equip archaeologists with the appropriate conservation knowledge and skills necessary for the effective management of submerged cultural heritage.

Who should attend?

There are no prerequisites for this short course and we welcome applications from people of all nationalities and anyone over the age of 18.

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will be necessary for some components of this short course.

Learning Outcomes

On completion of this topic students will be able to:

- demonstrate an understanding of a range of basic conservation techniques for different classes of archaeological material;
- demonstrate an understanding of the practical and theoretical basis for making specific conservation decisions and choose between alternative options responsibly; and
- conduct basic conservation surveys in a field necessary for effective management of sites.

Assessment

- Continuous Assessment (50%): Assessment based on contribution to fieldwork and their ability to operate successfully in a field environment.

When it's run

September 23 – 27, 2019

Cost**Flinders University students**

\$2,133 (inc. GST)

Overseas participants

\$3,350 (inc. GST)

Non-Flinders University Australian students

\$2,133 (inc. GST)

Registration

[Register online](#)

Mode of delivery

Face-to-face

Location

Bedford Park campus, Flinders University

— Pre-disturbance Conservation Survey Report (50%): This report will include an environmental and archaeological overview of the site and brief recommendations for a conservation management programme for the archaeological site.

CPD and Credits

Participants who complete the assessments are supplied with a Certificate of Achievement which states that the course is equivalent to a 4.5 unit topic.

Disclaimer

Every effort has been made to ensure the information in this publication is accurate at the time of publication. Information regarding this course, the course fees, and the content is subject to change. Please refer to our website for up-to-date information. Thank you.

Participants should be able to use this to negotiate credit with their home institution which they should do prior to making arrangements to attend this course.

Facilitators/Presenters

Wendy van Duivenvoorde is an associate professor in Maritime Archaeology.

Vicki Richards is a Research Chemist/ Conservation Scientist and Jon Carpenter is a senior conservator of the Department of Materials Conservation of the Western Australian Museum based at the Shipwreck Museum in Fremantle.

Further information

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