

# **Work Based Learning (WBL) Placement Description**

Host Details		
Host Organisation	Nangak Tamboree Wildlife Sanctuary	
Placement Title	Wildlife Sanctuary Intern	
Placement Location	Hybrid	
Address (if onsite)	Nangak Tamboree Wildlife Sanctuary La Trobe University Bundoora Victoria 3086	
Primary Supervisor Name	Michael Cincotta	
Position Title	Habitat and Biodiversity Coordinator	
Host Organisation Website	www.latrobe.edu.au/wildlife	

## **Host Organisation Background:**

The Nangak Tamboree Wildlife Sanctuary is a 30 hectare open range habitat restoration project that engages extensively with the university and broader community, forming an essential biodiversity node within Nangak Tamboree eco-corridor, connecting the Sanctuary with Gresswell Habitat Link and Gresswell Forest to our north, through the Bundoora campus to Darebin Creek in the south.

The Wildlife Sanctuary is a true wildlife sanctuary, we focus on looking after and enhancing the habitat for the local wildlife. As such, we do not offer animal handling or husbandry experiences.

We have an indigenous nursery which supplies plants to local councils and other land managers as well as backyard gardeners. Our schools outreach program delivers a range of hands-on environmental education activities to primary and secondary schools.

Placement Details		
Placement Semester/Term	Semester 1 2025	
Start Date	3 March 2025	
End Date	30 May 2025	
Days/hours per week	2 days per week (preference for Tues or Wed to be one of the days)	
Hours (total)	100 hours	
Placement Type	Unpaid	

The host and successful student will have an opportunity to negotiate placement start and end dates, as well as days of the week that align to the Term or Semester dates that the student is enrolled in prior to commencing the placement.

# Desired Course Discipline/Background

### Preferred degree/areas of study:

Bachelor of Wildlife Conservation and Ecology, or Bachelor of Science with relevant majors.

## **Key Duties and Responsibilities**

The role will involve working across all areas of the Wildlife Sanctuary to get a broad range of experiences and understanding of what we do, however there will be a focus on:

- Land management activities such as invasive species control and track maintenance.
- Predator proof fence inspections.
- Plant production such as seed or collection of cuttings and pricking out of plants.
- Collating and cleaning of plants for wholesale orders.
- Undertaking water quality testing.

- Undertaking biodiversity monitoring activities.
- Assisting with tour or other educational activities.
- Preparation of content for social media.

### Selection Criteria

#### **Essential:**

- Demonstrated ability to work as a team and independently.
- Excellent attention to detail and ability to undertake repetitive work.
- Confidence in working in a range of terrains in all weather conditions.
- Demonstrated understanding in computer software systems, including Word, Excel and databases.
- Knowledge of and interest in indigenous flora and fauna.

Pre-Placement Compliance Checks & Requirements		
□ Police Check		
☑ Working With Children Check (WWCC)		
□ None		

Work Based Learning (WBL) - Subject Information and Requirements		
Subject Code	LTU3IND	
Subject Information	LTU3IND Handbook	
Subject Prerequisites	Completed 120 credit points of your degree	
	Have 1 elective space in your course plan	

# **How to Apply**

Application Deadline: 3 November 2024

Application Instructions:

Please provide:

- CV/Resume
- Cover letter. Please address why you are interested in this placement opportunity.
- Apply through the following link: <u>Industry Placement Application Form, Careers and Opportunities, La Trobe University</u>

For help with your cover letter and resume - Resumes and job applications, Careers and Opportunities, LTU

Thank you for considering a Work Based Learning Placement!