

# SIS50421 Diploma of Outdoor Leadership

*Pathways to success*

Focusing on taking your outdoor leadership skills to the next.

**Qualification code:** SIS50421 Diploma of Outdoor Leadership

**CRICOS code:** 108945J

**Study mode:** on-campus

This course provides professional training to those looking to become highly skilled senior leaders or program, logistics and operations managers in outdoor recreation.

Senior leaders are highly proficient in activity techniques and have well-developed leadership skills to manage group participation, cohesion, operational logistics, risk and significant problems as they arise.

Managers are involved in recreational program planning, implementation and evaluation, facility and equipment management, the leadership of personnel, and the operational management of a department or a small business.

A nationally recognised SIS50421 Diploma of Outdoor Leadership is an excellent option if you are wanting to get qualified while see parts of Australia without the pressures of exams.

## Why choose Avondale University?

- Professional, caring, values-driven learning experiences
- Stimulating interactive course work developed and delivered by industry-leading coaches
- Tailored to what employers want
- Students are readily employable

## The key outcomes you will master in this course include

- Excellent work coordination and communication, facilitation skills
- Understanding of environmental impacts and conditions along with hazard identification
- Implementing safe work practices
- Leading in emergency response coordination
- Mastering skills in Abseiling, navigating, hiking, canoeing, kayaking and sea kayaking

## Entry requirements

To be eligible students must:

- Be 18 + years or have completed HSC
- Completed SIS40621 Certificate IV in Outdoor Leadership or the Outdoor Leadership Bridging course
- Submit an activity log

All applications will be required to participate in the following once after the initial application has been received by Avondale:

- A language, literacy and numeracy assessment
- A pre-enrolment interview
- Complete a medical form

Applicants must note that to successfully complete this course they must be able to meet the physical requirements of the activities included in the course and must be able to obtain a NSW Working With Children Check.

For more information see the Avondale University website

## Units of competency

To gain the SIS50421 Diploma of Outdoor Leadership qualification there are 28 units of competency that students must successfully complete and demonstrate competency in.

- HLTWHS004 Manage work health and safety
- PUAOPE013 Operate communications systems and equipment
- SISOPLN006 Plan for minimal environmental impact
- SISOPLN002 Plan outdoor activity sessions
- SISOPLN005 Interpret weather and environmental conditions for outdoor recreation activities
- SISOPLN004 Identify hazards, assess and control risks for outdoor recreation activities
- SISXCAI006 Facilitate groups
- SISXIND008 Manage legal compliance in sport and recreation
- SISORSC002 Perform vertical rescues
- SISOPLN003 Develop outdoor recreation programs
- SISXEMR002 Coordinate emergency responses
- SISXCCS002 Coordinate client service activities
- SISOPLN007 Manage risk for outdoor programs
- SISOCLM006 Establish belays for single pitch climbing on natural surfaces
- SISXIND005 Coordinate work teams or groups
- SISOFLLD006 Navigate in tracked environments
- SISOCLM003 Lead climb single pitches, natural surfaces
- SISOBWG007 Lead bushwalks in extremely difficult tracked and untracked environments
- SISOCLM010 Lead single pitch climbing activities on natural surfaces, lead climbing
- SISOKYS003 Paddle a sea kayak in exposed coastal waters
- SISOBWG003 Bushwalk in extremely difficult tracked and untracked environments
- SISOKYK001 Paddle a kayak on inland flatwater
- SISOFLLD008 Navigate in extremely difficult tracked and untracked environments
- SISOKYK002 Paddle a kayak on moving water up to grade 1 rivers
- SISOFLLD005 Navigate waterway courses
- SISOKYS006 Lead sea kayaking activities in exposed coastal waters
- SISOKYK005 Lead kayaking activities on inland flatwater
- SISOKYK006 Lead kayaking activities on moving water up to grade 1 rivers

## Training and assessment

Course includes face to face training sessions and a range of knowledge checks to ensure students are industry-ready. Assessments include written questions, quizzes, case studies, and observations of practical skills. Participants will be supported by their trainer throughout their learning journey.

## Course duration and delivery

The course is delivered over 30 weeks excluding holiday periods. Class attendance is typically 3 days a week with time outside of class to do self-study, assignments and practice. Practicals can be done during the week or over weekends and can be weather dependent.

## Course work fees, equipment and resource requirements

**Fees:** see the website

**Additional costs:** Residential and meal costs; own equipment

Avondale University will provide you with access to learning materials, additional learning resources through Moodle, internet (on campus), a trainer/assessor and all equipment for each specialised activity.

**In addition to the fees, students will need to provide:**

- A working computer / laptop
- Suitable clothing and footwear for outdoor and water activities
- Toiletries, insect repellent, sunscreen & sun hat
- Sleeping bag and pillow
- Food and water for offsite activities

## Field trips & practicals

Students will need to participate in field trips and practicals where they are required to manage and plan programs, lead others and evaluate outcomes. Practical can range from a few hours to weeklong pending the location they are undertaken in. Practical can be simulated or organised through work placement by the course convenor. Students may be required to obtain the following to enable them to participate in practicals where they are done through a work placement:

- Working With Children Check (NSW)
- National police clearance
- Evidence of current immunisation

Students are responsible for any associated costs.

## Career opportunities

- Senior leadership roles in sport, recreation and outdoor centres
- Managing wilderness adventure and camping tourism
- Adventure therapy programs
- Outdoor education as part of teaching career

### For more information please contact:

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### Brian to the rescue

Brian Kretschmar wants to be a rescue paramedic. He served on the Community Emergency Response Team back home and “it lit a spark. I love helping people in chaotic, emerging situations.” The help Brian wants to bring is wholistic, so he completed a Diploma of Outdoor Leadership and is now studying nursing. Our small class sizes and one-on-one access to lecturers who genuinely care for you have helped Brian. “You’re not a number on a page at Avondale. You’re a person. As soon as I walked into my classroom, I felt welcomed.”

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