

1. What is Recognition of Current Competency (RCC)?

RCC is a process that assesses the individual's formal and informal learning to determine the extent to which that individual has achieved the required learning outcomes, competency outcomes or standards for partial or total completion of the Diploma of Outdoor Recreation. RCC is the process of an assessor collecting evidence and making a judgement against the requirements of one or more units of competency.

2. What type of person would be interested in this recognition program?

People who:

- Are currently working in the outdoor recreation/outdoor education industry or an associated profession in a senior leadership, instructional leadership or middle management role.
- Have demonstrated and recent experience at a high level, teaching and leading in an outdoor instructional or management role or related setting.
- Have 3-5 year's experience working in a leadership and/or management role.
- Are interested in pursuing further training and qualifications to enable them to plan, implement, manage, lead and evaluate outdoor recreation programs and/or facilities and resources across a range of complex and non-routine outdoor contexts.
- Are seeking a senior leadership or management career in Outdoor Recreation.
- Are interested in changing careers.
- Are updating and enhancing their existing qualifications, skills and experience to further their career in Outdoor Recreation.

3. What are the prerequisites for the course?

- Certificate IV in Outdoor Recreation or equivalent
- Have high level of computer literacy skills and access to the internet

4. Where does the course lead?

The Diploma in Outdoor Recreation is the preferred qualification required to work as an outdoor professional in middle and senior management roles, such as client services, skills instruction, training and development, operations, staffing and human resources, programming and executive administration in outdoor organisations.

5. Job roles

The following are indicative job roles for this qualification:

- Client Services Manager
- Field Operations Manager
- Senior Technical Instructor and/or Trainer
- Staff Training Co-ordinator
- Human Resources Manager/Head of Staff
- Venue Manager
- Program Leader/Co-ordinator

A high level of fitness is required to complete the practical activity skill checks. It would be expected that you would have all of your own personal equipment to complete the course.

6. How long is this course? This course can be completed over 1 or 2 semesters.

7. What are the steps in the recognition process?

- Send an up to date CV detailing your skills and experience including two work referees to the Course Coordinator.
- Complete a Candidate Application Form, which includes a self- assessment questionnaire of your skills.

- Your application is then reviewed for suitability and availability by the Course Coordinator for entry into the course. If accepted you will then need to pay your enrolment fee.
- You will then prepare for a 5-6 hour competency based interview at a date that suits you and your assessor and showcase a range of evidence to support your skills and experience.
- After this interview your assessor will address any gaps that you may have with the core units. If there are gaps these may be addressed with online units.
- Submit logbook and testimonials for activity skillsets.
- Undertake practical demonstration of your technical skills with an assessor.

8. How much does the course cost?

- Option 1 - You can apply for a Government loan through VET Fee Help. Click here to find out more information about this option. Visit the following website to find out more about this option
<http://studyassist.gov.au/sites/studyassist/helppayingmyfees/vet-fee-help/pages/vet-fee-help>
- Option 2 - you can pay a commercial fee upfront which will be individually costed based on your current competence and transcripts.

9. How do I get started? If you are interested in doing this course through recognition of current competency email the Course Coordinator Simone Carroll-Germech simone.carroll5@tafensw.edu.au

10. What is the closing date for applications? Applications can be received at any time.

11. When does the course start? Usually recognition is commenced at the start of each semester.