

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES IN Botanical Science 2019

Scientific experience | Botanical skills | Training in job-seeking in science and conservation

Volunteer Botanical Training Program

The Centre for Australian National Biodiversity Research (CANBR) in Canberra is one of Australia's premier institutions for botanical science. It is a joint facility of CSIRO and the Australian National Botanic Gardens.

Each year the Centre offers placements in its Volunteer Botanical Training Program. Participation is on a full-time and unpaid (volunteer) basis for seven weeks during January and February. The Program is designed primarily for tertiary students at the end of second or third year, although recent graduates may also apply.

The Program is intended to be of benefit to those seeking either professional or technical careers in plant sciences or conservation management. It provides real experience in the scientific workforce for new starters in the job market, with specific attention to preparing a CV and gaining employment skills. Participants provide valuable assistance to the Centre and finish the program with job references and useful contacts in science and conservation.

What does it involve?

Participants will assist staff at the Centre in Canberra in the curation of the herbarium collections and in research support.

In return, participants receive a broad spectrum of practical training in collections management, plant identification, taxonomic techniques, critical issues in the Australian vegetation sciences, plant conservation, and job-seeking in the scientific workforce.

Training sessions are conducted by professional scientists and technicians from the Centre and related institutions. Training complements, rather than duplicates, that given at tertiary level.



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Further information

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