

JOB ROLE

CONSERVATION OFFICER

LEVEL OF GROWTH FOR JOB ROLE



- Projected change of +8.90%
- From 31,524 in 2025 to 34,328 in 2030

AVERAGE SALARY FOR OCCUPATION



Entry level
(1-3 years' experience)



Senior
(8+ years' experience)

WHAT DO EMPLOYERS WANT?



SPECIALISED SKILLS

- Natural Resource Management
- Animal Control
- Ecology
- Weed Control
- Stakeholder Management

EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS

- Communication
- Planning
- Coordinating
- Report Writing
- Time Management

EMPLOYMENT PROSPECTS



TOP SOUTH AUSTRALIAN INDUSTRIES WHO ADVERTISED FOR THIS JOB ROLE IN THE PREVIOUS 12 MONTHS:

- Local Government Administration
- Civic, Professional and Other Interest Group Services

TOP SOUTH AUSTRALIAN EMPLOYERS WHO ADVERTISED FOR THIS JOB ROLE IN THE PREVIOUS 12 MONTHS:

- City of Monash
- City of Victor Harbor
- Arid Recovery
- Optimum Experiences Outdoor Adventures
- City of Onkaparinga



YOU MIGHT CONSIDER UNDERTAKING STUDY TO TRANSITION INTO THESE RELATED JOB ROLES:

- Park Ranger
- Environmental Research Scientist



QUALIFICATION PATHWAYS

Looking to progress your career? TAFE SA can help you further your study with these courses (*fees may apply)

- Certificate III in Conservation and Ecosystem Management (AHC31424)
- Diploma of Conservation and Ecosystem Management (AHC51120)

Or undertake a range of short courses to supplement your existing knowledge or continue upskilling.

Further information available on the TAFE SA website.



JOB HOLDER COMMENTS

"I enjoyed studying with people of varying backgrounds and from many different walks of life, learning practical skills from experienced and knowledgeable lecturers and having a balance of theoretical and practical learning. My studies at TAFE SA have taught me lifelong skills which can be applied to both the workforce and to further studies, depending on what I choose."

Shivani Preston

Diploma of Conservation and Land Management (AHC51116)



NETWORKING WITH INDUSTRY

Networking with industry provides you with opportunities to gain employment, advance your career and stay current with industry changes.

Conferences and workshops are an excellent way to introduce yourself to key industry contacts.

Follow these organisations on social media:

- Conversation Council SA
- PlanSA
- CSIRO

Consider these opportunities to find employment:

- Send your resume to relevant businesses in your local area
- Look for employment opportunities advertised on
 - the TAFE SA Jobs Board
 - online employment websites like Seek
 - the job board on your local Regional Development Australia (RDA) website



CAREER SUPPORT

Not sure where to start? TAFE SA's Student Services can provide you with a range of career planning support including:

- career planning
- write a winning resume
- how to respond to selection criteria
- cover letters that stand out
- preparing for job interviews

To find out more, or to book an appointment, visit TAFE SA's Career Support Page: Career Support ([tafesa.edu.au](https://www.tafesa.edu.au))

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