

# LANGPORTS ENGLISH + VOLUNTEERING PROGRAMS



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At Langports, students will have many opportunities to practice their English outside of the classroom and engage with the local community. Langports is offering a great range of volunteering programs, available to all students enrolling for at least 6 weeks of studies at Langports Brisbane, Gold Coast or Sydney.

Please find more information about all the projects we offer in the pages below. All these programs are available to students on all type of visas (tourist, working holiday, student etc.) aged 18 years old or over, and students can volunteer either part-time during their studies, or full-time once they finish their course at Langports.



## How to apply?

### For all onshore bookings

1. Students should come and see our Recreation & Community Engagement Officer during their first week to talk about their plans and we will check availabilities for the requested option.
2. Students wishing to go ahead pay the English + volunteering program placement fee.
3. Langports will confirm their placement for the option they have chosen.
4. A certificate of completion will be delivered at the end of the program.

### For all offshore bookings - minimum leading time is 12 weeks

1. Choose a volunteering project (carefully read the descriptions and conditions of each project).
2. Complete a Langports Enrolment form and pre-test, and send it to our Regional Marketing Manager along with information on your preferred project.
3. Your Regional Marketing Manager will confirm whether the student has the correct level to join the English + Volunteering program of their choice, and confirm availability for this program, or offer an alternative option if needed.

Please note that volunteering program confirmations can sometimes take up to 2 weeks. Also, some programs can only be confirmed 2 or 3 weeks before the program start date, so students are required to be as flexible as possible.

4. If needed and requested, complete the application form relevant to the chosen program (this will be sent on a case-by-case basis by your Regional Marketing Manager). Some programs will also require the student to send a resume, or more personal information such as experience, references, insurance policy details etc.
5. Langports will process the student's enrolment, and payment will then be needed to confirm the course and volunteering placement.

# PART-TIME VOLUNTEERING OPTIONS



## Get involved with the local community!

At Langports students are encouraged to become part of their local community. The English + Community volunteering program will help students gain life experience, learn new skills and knowledge, develop new interests, expand their work portfolio and make a meaningful impact on society.



Location:

Various options & locations around the cities of **Brisbane & Sydney** (30- 50 min from city centre).

All options are subject to availability.

### About your English course

- Study at our Brisbane & Sydney schools ONLY
- Study for a minimum of 12 weeks
- Study full-time or part-time, depending on your visa
- Available for students from 18 years old
- Minimum English level required will depend on the project

### About the volunteering options

- Various projects around BNE & SYD, students choose their preferred option
- Volunteer part-time during your course or full-time after your course
- Length: from 1 day to 12 weeks
- Starts any week
- Orientation provided on the first day
- A certificate of community service is awarded at the end of the project.

## All options are subject to availability and seasonability

### 1. Riding school for disabled children (McIntyre Centre) (B)

> Assisting at a Horse Riding School for disabled children. Tasks include feeding & grooming horses, cleaning tacks and preparing horses for lessons, sorting donations & general maintenance .

### 3. Wildlife (Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary) (B)

> Helping the rangers with maintaining a safe habitat for native animals (cleaning enclosures, monitoring visitors, assisting with food preparation and more).

### 2. Aged Care (B & S)

> Assisting staff at an Aged Care home. This could include having conversation with residents, going for walks in the garden, organising events & activities, etc.

### 4. Conservation (Conservation volunteers) (B & S)

> Working with an environment conservation organisation on short-term rehabilitation projects (planting, fencing, cleaning and more).

### 5. Baseball (S)

> Volunteer with one of Australia's premier Baseball associations  
> Please note that this program is seasonal and can only accept 1 student at a time

### 6. Surf Tours (S)

> Spend your weekends down by the beach volunteering at a surf camp.  
> Please note that this program is seasonal and can only accept 1 student at a time

### 7. Monika's Doggie Rescue (S)

> Assisting with feeding and nursing rescued dogs.

## Starting dates - Every week. Placement fee - \$250

Note: Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary charges an additional \$250 payable on induction day.

### What is NOT included:

- Accommodation (Langports can organise accommodation in homestay or student house upon request)
- Personal expenses
- Personal transportation to and from the volunteering location
- Visa
- Meals (students need to bring their own lunches and snacks for the day)

### What is included:

- Placement as a volunteer





Experience working with Australian children!

The goal of this project is to experience working with Australian children and childcare professionals, and gain practical experience working with children aged from 6 weeks to 6 years old in an English speaking environment with professionally trained staff.

Location:

Various chilcare centres around the city of **Brisbane, Queensland** (10 - 50 min from city centre). Students will be assigned a location depending on each child care centre needs & availabilities.



About your English course

- ✿ Study at our Brisbane campus ONLY
- ✿ Study for a minimum of 12 weeks
- ✿ Study full-time or part-time, depending on your visa
- ✿ Available for students from 18 years old
- ✿ Minimum English level required: intermediate
- ✿ For students on a student working holiday or tourist visa

About the volunteering

- ✿ Available in Brisbane only
- ✿ Length: from 2 to 12 weeks
- ✿ A Blue Card will be required (we will help you to apply for this during your first week in Australia as it could take up to 3 months)
- ✿ Starts every week (every Monday)
- ✿ Orientation provided on the first day

English + Child Care Volunteering

Child care centres are located all around in Brisbane (in the city centre and in each suburb). Students are unable to self-select a project location. The child care centre will be assigned depending on each centre’s needs and availabilities at the requested times, and also based upon the student’s accommodation location, to minimise the daily traveling time. Therefore placement will only be confirmed once the student’s accommodation has been arranged. Note that all placements are subject to a successful interview.

- Tasks may include:
- **welcoming the children in the morning,**
  - **preparing lunches,**
  - **playing with the children,**
  - **supervising nap time,**
  - **learning about the Australian childcare system.**

Students are usually required to work from Monday to Friday from early morning to mid-afternoons or early evenings.

**Starting dates** - Every Monday. **Placement fee** - \$250

What is included:

- ✿ Placement as a volunteer in a childcare centre

Extra requirements:

- Great interest for working with children
- References would be appreciated.
- Students need to go to an interview at the child care centre.

What is NOT included:

- ✿ Accommodation (Langports can organise accommodation in homestay or student house upon request for the time of the volunteering project)
- ✿ Personal expenses
- ✿ Personal transportation to and from the childcare
- ✿ Visa
- ✿ Meals (students need to bring their own lunches and snacks for the day)

Learn how to scuba dive, gain an understanding of the environmental issues facing the marine eco-system and use your new skills to contribute to the preservation of coral reefs on the Great Barrier Reef of Australia.



Location:

**The Great Barrier Reef, Queensland.**

This project departs from Cairns and the student will need to make their own way there at their own cost.

About your English course

- ✿ Study at any of our campuses
- ✿ Study for a minimum of 6 weeks
- ✿ Study full-time or part-time, depending on your visa
- ✿ Available for students from 18 years old
- ✿ Minimum English level required: intermediate (pre-test required)

About the volunteering project

- ✿ Length: 12 days
- ✿ Participants: minimum 4, maximum 8 per group
- ✿ Set starting dates
- ✿ Orientation provided on the first day
- ✿ Available to students on a tourist, student or working holiday visa

Program schedule:

**Arrival Day:** Arrive at Cairns Airport (CNS). Volunteers can arrange to be picked up from the airport and taken to the hostel. Afternoon introductory meeting.

**Days 1-6:** These days will be dedicated to achieving your Open Water certification. If you already have your Open Water certification then you can work on your Advanced Diving Certification. Days will be spent both in and out of the classroom and pool in order to improve your diving skills and knowledge. After this segment of training, you will travel to the Great Barrier Reef to dive a total of nine dives. Four of the dives will be your final steps in achieving your certification, while the rest will be fun dives, including a night dive. Nights 4 and 5 you will stay overnight on the boat!

**Days 7-10:** These days will be spent on conservation efforts. Over four days you will travel every day to the outer shelf of the Great Barrier Reef. Here, you will do a total of eight dives, with the majority of them focusing on conservation. While diving, you will collect data, observe the coral reef conditions, and survey the animals and plants surrounding the reef. You will also have the opportunity to go snorkelling recreationally or to do further surveys. During these days you will complete your PADI Project AWARE Specialty.

**Day 11:** On the last day you will have the opportunity to go to a nearby island to learn about turtle conservation at the Turtle Rehabilitation Centre. You will learn about the organization, meet the turtles currently at the center, and participate in other educational activities as well as enjoying free time to explore the island.

**Day 12:** Departure day.

Note: Divers who are already Open Water certified and Advanced Open Water certified can join this program on Day 6, Monday, at a discounted rate. All dive equipment is included.

**Starting dates** - 17.02.20 | 20.04.20 | 25.05.20 | 22.06.20 | 20.07.20 | 24.08.20 | 14.09.20 | 19.10.20 | 07.12.20

**Price** - \$3,550 AUD

What is included:

- ✿ Accommodation in a shared room in a hostel and then in a shared cabin on a boat
- ✿ 2 meals per day
- ✿ Airport pick-up on arrival at Cairns airport
- ✿ A PADI certification
- ✿ Transport to and from the diving school

What is NOT included:

- ✿ Flights to the departure location
- ✿ Visa
- ✿ Reef taxes and levies of \$120 (\$60 + 4 x \$15 for each trip to the reef)
- ✿ Personal expenses

Extra requirements: students must be in excellent medical conditions (no asthma, diabetes or serious respiratory conditions) | Completed PADI medical form.



ENVIRONMENT AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION IN QUEENSLAND

An induction is provided on the first day. You will work from Monday to Friday from 8am to 4pm for 5 days, and either stay at the same location, or move onto another project in a different city, or different state if they have chosen to enrol to participate in projects in two different regions. See projects below.

About your English course

- Study at any of our campuses
- Study for a minimum of 6 weeks
- Study full-time or part-time, depending on your visa
- Available for students from 18 years old
- Minimum English level required: pre-intermediate (pre-test required)

About the volunteering program

- Length: 5 days
- Participants: minimum 4, maximum 8 per group
- Starts once a month on Mondays
- Orientation provided on the first day
- Available to students on a tourist, student or working holiday visa
- Bookings can include multiple locations



KOALA CONSERVATION - GOLD COAST HINTERLAND

- Visit Daisy Hill Koala Centre and Lone Pine Sanctuary for koala encounters and to learn about koala ecology and conservation
- Protect and create critical koala habitat through weed removal and tree planting activities
- Night time wildlife walks to find koalas, gliders, possums and glow worms
- Stargazing and traditional Aussie camp cook up
- Explore the stunning Tamborine National Park for lunch and visit the iconic Curtis Falls
- View the rainforest from the treetops by walking the Tamborine Rainforest Skywalk

KOALA CONSERVATION - SUNSHINE COAST HINTERLAND

- Visit to Moggil Koala Hospital and Lone Pine Sanctuary for koala encounters and to learn about koala ecology and conservation
- Protect and create critical koala habitat through weed removal and tree planting activities
- Night time spotlighting to find wildlife including koalas, gliders, possums and wallabies
- Stargazing and traditional Aussie camp cook up
- Explore the stunning Mt Mee section of D'Aguilar National Park for a picnic lunch and visit Rocky Hole swimming hole



BEACH AND MARINE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION

- Visit the world-famous Carlo Sand Blow and experience 4WD beach driving
- Walk through magical Gondwanan Rainforest to reach the white sandy shores of Poona Lake
- Protect stunning beaches through debris collection, weed removal and pandanus stripping
- Take in breath-taking ocean views at Double Island Point and explore the lighthouse
- Stargazing, camping and traditional Aussie camp cook ups
- Sunset dinners on the beach and whale watching (seasonal)
- Visit Walkabout Creek Wildlife Centre



RAINFOREST CONSERVATION

- Visit ancient Antarctic Beech trees and look for pademelons, land mullets and satin bowerbirds while exploring ancient Gondwanan Rainforest
- Visit the stunning Cave Creek for a private tour of Germaine Greer's home-grown rainforest
- Visit the famous "Natural Bridge" and look for glow worms and glow in the dark mushrooms
- Night time spotlighting to find wildlife including frogs, gliders and possums



OUTBACK CONSERVATION

- Carry on Steve Irwin's legacy by helping to rehabilitate a property that was purchased by the Crocodile hunter himself!
- Close encounters with native Australian wildlife at the sanctuary on site
- Night time spotlighting to find wildlife including kangaroos, gliders, possums and wallabies
- Stargazing and traditional Aussie camp cook up
- Visit to the world famous Bunya Mountains National Park

Starting dates - Once a month on Mondays (contact us for more precise dates)

Price - \$995

What is included:

- Accommodation while volunteering (hostel, camping, caravans. This varies according to the location of the project).
- All meals, including on weekends
- Project-related travel
- Conservation Volunteers wildlife or plant guidebook
- Volunteer Certificate on completion

What is NOT included:

- Flights to the volunteering location
- Personal expenses
- Personal transportation
- Airport pick-up on arrival
- Visa
- Laundry, medical expenses, personal travel insurance and items of a personal nature

Extra requirements: Good physical condition | Love of the outdoors |Great interest for the environment.

ENVIRONMENT AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION IN OTHER LOCATIONS

An induction is provided on the first day. You will work from Monday to Friday from 8am to 4pm for 5 days, and either stay at the same location, or move onto another project in a different city, or different state if they have chosen to enrol to participate in projects in two different regions. See projects below.

About your English course

- Study at any of our campuses
- Study for a minimum of 6 weeks
- Study full-time or part-time, depending on your visa
- Available for students from 18 years old
- Minimum English level required: pre-intermediate (pre-test required)

About the volunteering program

- Length: 5 days
- Participants: minimum 4, maximum 8 per group
- Starts once a month on Mondays
- Orientation provided on the first day
- Available to students on a tourist, student or working holiday visa
- Bookings can include multiple locations



CASSOWARY COAST CONSERVATION

- Discover the tropical rainforests and beaches of the Cassowary Coast, including the palm-fringed stretch of Mission Beach
- Volunteer to create habitat for threatened species such as the Southern Cassowary and Mahogany Glider
- Wildlife spotting, including the Threatened Southern Cassowary and Estuarine Crocodiles
- Rainforest Walk and lookout at Murray Falls inside the Girramay National Park.
- Explore the beautiful swimming hole at Babinda Boulders, and learn of the Traditional Aboriginal Dreamtime Story focused on this magical place surrounded by rainforest



WET TROPICS RAINFOREST CONVERSATION

- The Volcanic Lakes of Lake Barrine and Lake Eacham
- Malanda Falls and rainforest walk
- Nocturnal wildlife walk
- Two hidden waterfalls taking you off the beaten tourist track
- Platypus spotting over lunch
- Helping conserve nature refuges in the Wet Tropics region



THE GREAT OCEAN ROAD

- Discover the Great Ocean Road and be awe-struck by the incredible Twelve Apostles, London Arch and Loch Ard Gorge along the Shipwreck Coast
- Visit iconic Bells Beach, a world-famous surfing location and the Eastern View Memorial Arch
- Volunteer and learn a diverse range of practical conservation skills that impact important wetlands, coastal sand dunes, woodlands and more
- Explore rainforests, waterfalls, inland plains, coastal and mountain regions, plus Otway and Port Campbell National Parks
- See loads of wildlife such as koalas, kangaroos, emus, brolga, dolphins and migrating whales (June-Sept) and enjoy the rugged coastline of south west Victoria
- Experience an abundance of native animals at Tower Hill and enjoy a guided twilight tour to gain insights into Indigenous culture and Aboriginal lifestyles

Starting dates - Once a month on Mondays (contact us for more precise dates)

Price - \$995

What is included:

- Accommodation while volunteering (hostel, camping, caravans. This varies according to the location of the project).
- All meals, including on weekends
- Project-related travel
- Conservation Volunteers wildlife or plant guidebook
- Volunteer Certificate on completion

What is NOT included:

- Flights to the volunteering location
- Personal expenses
- Personal transportation
- Airport pick-up on arrival
- Visa
- Laundry, medical expenses, personal travel insurance and items of a personal nature

Extra requirements: Good physical condition | Love of the outdoors |Great interest for the environment.



## ENVIRONMENT AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION IN NEW SOUTH WALES

By joining this program, students will have the opportunity to help repair some of the damage created by human development and natural disasters to Australia's unique wildlife, and make a real contribution to the conservation of threatened species by protecting indigenous animals and plants.

Location:

**New South Wales (town of Calga)**

Students will need to make their way to Sydney at their own costs.



### About your English course

- ✿ Study at our Brisbane, Gold Coast or Sydney campuses
- ✿ Study for a minimum of 6 weeks
- ✿ Study full-time or part-time, depending on your visa
- ✿ Available for students from 18 years old
- ✿ Minimum English level required: intermediate (pre-test required)

### About the volunteering project

- ✿ Length: 1 or 2 weeks (3 or 4 weeks available upon request)
- ✿ Participants: minimum 4, maximum 10 per group
- ✿ Set starting dates: every Sunday
- ✿ Orientation provided on the first day
- ✿ Offshore bookings
- ✿ Available to students on a tourist, student or working holiday visa

### Program schedule:

**Arrival Day - Sunday:** Arrive at Sydney Kingsford Smith International Airport (SYD). You will be picked up from the airport, settle into your new home in Beecroft and meet fellow volunteers.

**Days 1 - Monday:** During their first Monday, volunteers will receive a welcome introduction and receive a tour of the sanctuary.

**Days 2 to 5, Tuesday - Friday:** Rewarding volunteer work at the wildlife sanctuary, with a lunch break in between shifts. The sanctuary provides a safe natural home for over 180 species while also providing a refuge for rehabilitated but un-releasable injured and orphaned animals. The purpose of this program is to protect indigenous animals and plants, plus care for the dependent and wild animals that live there. Volunteers will prepare food, feed the animals, clean enclosures, maintain the sanctuary itself and partake in other related tasks.

**Day 6 - Saturday:** Volunteers staying only one week will depart on this evening. Free day for those extending.

**Day 7 - Sunday:** Free day for those extending to spend how they wish.

**Remaining Weeks:** The remaining weeks will follow the schedule of volunteering Monday-Friday and having weekends free.

**Starting dates - Every Sunday.**

**Price - \$1,900 (1 weeks), \$2,700 (2 weeks)**

### What is included:

- ✿ Accommodation at the sanctuary (shared dormitory with up to 9 other volunteers, single sex rooms)
- ✿ 3 meals a day during the week and 2 meals a day on the weekends
- ✿ Airport pick-up from Sydney airport on arrival

### What is NOT included:

- ✿ Flights to Sydney
- ✿ Personal expenses
- ✿ Travel to and from the sanctuary during your free time
- ✿ Food on the weekends if you choose to leave the sanctuary
- ✿ Train ticket from Gosford back to Sydney on departure day
- ✿ Visa

**Extra requirements:** Vaccines/Immunisations | Interest in the Australian Wildlife and animal rescue in general | Volunteers need to bring their own gardening gloves | Volunteers need to bring wet weather gear (rain jackets, gumboots etc.)