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Profile

Marine environmental research scientist working in a variety of marine projects from marine monitoring, reef restoration, marine assessments, social and citizen science.

Working collaboratively with a variety of people for positive marine environmental outcomes and focusing on strong communications skills to tell marine science stories.

Skills

General

- Marine Science Knowledge
- Communications
- Leadership
- Teamwork
- Project management
- Risk assessment

Specific

- Environmental Impact Assessment
- Marine health surveys
- Communications
- Reef Restoration
- Marine Education
- Underwater Filming and Photography
- Adobe Premier Pro/Photoshop/Lightroom

Qualifications

- PADI MSDT Dive Instructor
- AMSA Coxswain
- Marine Radio Licence (LROCP)
- Certificate in Safety Training (COST)
- Provide First Aid (HLTAID003)
- O2 Advanced Resuscitation

Experience

Marine Research Scientist • Reef Ecologic • 2019-2021

Townsville and Great Barrier Reef Region, Australia

Working collaboratively with a multi-disciplinary team on projects from local to an international scale. Projects include reef restoration and relocation, environmental impact assessments, marine health surveys, behaviours science, social science and aesthetic monitoring, marine education, communications and citizen science. Skills required include teamwork, communications, diving and boating field skills, marine monitoring and optimism.

Acting Chair & Secretary • Local Marine Advisory (LMAC) Group • 2019-2021

Townsville, Australia

Helping facilitate meetings from one of the 12 LMAC groups on the Great Barrier Reef to help share local community knowledge and concerns with the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority. Assisting with coordination of speakers, recording minutes and general meeting organisation.

Ambassador • Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islanders in Marine Science • 2017 – 2018

Townsville and Orpheus Island, Australia

Supporting this program which inspires first nations youth through local opportunities in marine science and marine management. Working alongside Indigenous ranger groups, marine science educators, students and traditional elders, I assisted with marine education, field trip water skills and communications.

Project Coordinator • Reef Check Australia • 2014 – 2018

Townsville and Great Barrier Reef Region, Australia

Leading and coordinating a team of volunteer divers to conduct reef health surveys in the central Great Barrier reef, working alongside tourism operators, community organisations and local councils. Required data management, social media communications, running community events marine training and identifying grant and partnership opportunities.

Expedition Photographer • Tui Tai Expedition Cruises • 2010 – 2013

Northern Fiji

Underwater photographer and expedition guide on remote expedition cruise in the northern remote islands of Fiji. Required skills included communications through filmmaking and photography, dive instructing and guiding.

Education

James Cook University • 2013 - 2015

Bachelor of Science- Marine Biology and Ecology

James Cook University • 2016 - 2017

Masters of Science- Protected Area Management



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