



Australia

Barunga Community Archaeology

Live and learn alongside Aboriginal community members in a truly off the beaten path field school in Australia's Northern Territory. Guided by Aboriginal Elders and community researchers, this program offers a rare opportunity to learn Indigenous archaeology through daily life, shared meals, and collaborative research within the 300-person Barunga community. Work one-on-one with a Barunga community member on a co-designed heritage project, gaining firsthand experience in how Indigenous knowledge and Western science can be respectfully woven together in the field.

Why you'll love this program



Real-World Research

Explore Indigenous lives and lifestyles, from deep antiquity to the present day



Field & Lab Skills

Gain experience in site recording, interviewing, mapping, cultural protocols & more



Unforgettable Location

Camp under the wide skies of the Outback while visiting important heritage sites



Make a Difference

Contribute to heritage projects requested by the Barunga community

Field School Details

Summer Program in Australia

- Online module (pre-arrival) + 2 weeks onsite
- Earn academic credit through Connecticut College
- Fieldwork, seminars & lab-based research
- Cultural enrichment activities and field trips included
- Campsite accommodation + all meal funds provided



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Institute for Field Research

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Our programs take you straight into the field, where archaeological sites and dynamic ecosystems become your classroom. Don't just study abroad—participate in important research, develop real skills, and make a lasting impact. With IFR, you're not only seeing the world—you're uncovering it.

Admissions at a Glance

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- Competitive tuition rates
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