Environmental Change & Management

A fieldwork program to support Stage 5 Geography

'Environmental Change and Management supports the Stage 5 Geography topic 'Environmental Change and Management', and focuses on marine environments and ways people can change and manage them.

The program has three main components:

- 1. Introductory activities and resources to introduce the students to the fieldwork.
- 2. A whole day fieldwork experience at the Sydney Institute of Marine Science (SIMS) at Mosman, and the adjacent Clifton Gardens Reserve
- 3. Follow up activities to enhance geographical knowledge and skills.

During the fieldwork day, students will:

- Visit the Sydney Institute of Marine Science theater to learn about human impacts on marine environments, particularly microplastics and stormwater
- Take part in a citizen science project (with Dr Scott Wilson, Senior Lecturer in Environmental Science), to investigate the causes, extent and consequences of plastic pollution
- Visit the SIMS Marine Discovery
 Centre to learn about biophysical
 processes in oceans, and environmental
 management issues and strategies in Sydney
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- Practice using basic geographic tools including GPS devices, mapping, field sketching, photo interpretation etc
- Measure environmental factors with instruments including water testing equipment and a microplastics investigation with sieves



