

Module: Environmental Ethics

The following overview has been developed by EIANZ as a guide to the possible learning outcomes and content structure of the module. Training providers are requested to review and make appropriate recommendations regarding final learning outcomes, module content and delivery format.

EIANZ Proficiency: Environmental Ethics (refer to EIANZ Proficiency Map)

Description: This module provides participants with an introduction to the principles and practice of environmental ethics with the objective of embedding quality principles at an early career stage. Delivered by industry professionals, the module is designed to equip participants with practical strategies for dealing with likely challenges and issues faced by graduates in relation to environmental ethics. Environmental practice is fraught with ethical dilemmas in balancing the need to present facts objectively with the demands of clients, the expectations of agencies and the community and responsibilities and personal attitudes towards the environment.

Learning outcomes: Participants will:

- Understand the principles of environmental ethics standards.
- Be capable of identifying where environmental ethic standards are at risk or can be improved.
- Document a plan for applying quality environmental ethics to daily activity and developing a personal decision making framework.
- Have increased confidence in routinely applying quality environmental ethics to daily activity and decision making.
- Have increased confidence to stand by personal ethics and to work with management to identify and improve ethical approaches.
- Have basic knowledge of strategies for influencing client environmental ethics.

Content:

- 1) Introduction to Environmental Ethics – definition of environmental ethics; history and trends; and Australian and international standards.
- 2) EIANZ and Ethics – about EIANZ; why focus on ethics; about CEnvP and ethics; and ethics and your career.
- 3) Ethics in Use – panel discussion of real life examples; challenges and strategies for early professionals; developing a personal decision making framework including personal examples of what to do; strategies for standing by your ethics; and strategies for influencing client's ethics.

Delivery: Training providers are requested to make a recommendation in relation to the most effective learning environment for this audience. The following information should be considered when advising on presentation format:

- Minimum session length is two to three hours.
- Session could be held as an interactive webinar or seminar.
- Include online Q&A and panel discussion in relation to the module.
- Access to industry professionals across Australia and New Zealand with specialist expertise relating to the module.