VTP489 Uluru-Kata Tjuta Knowledge for Tour Guides

DESCRIPTION

Welcome to Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park Online Tour Guide Accreditation course information.

As part of Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park Plan of Management, which includes "enriching and memorable experiences for visitors and a strong and successful partnership between traditional owners, governments, and the tourism industry..." an entry-level course providing tour guides with essential information about Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park has been developed.

Parks Australia advised that from 1 April 2011 it will become a permit requirement for all commercial tour operators that any guides leading tours within Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park have successfully completed the course. Details of individual guide's certification details will be recorded on the commercial permit application and enforcement of this condition will be carried out in the Park from the commencement of the permit period.
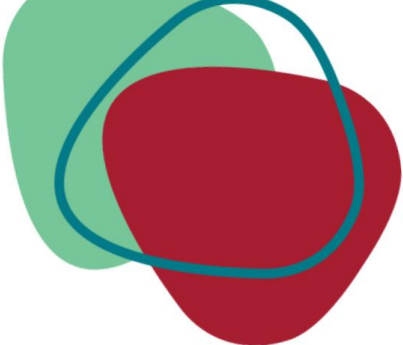
The entry-level training and assessment will cover the key areas of visitor safety, understanding the park's natural and cultural values and history, and minimising environmental impact and legal compliance.

Park staff, Anangu traditional owners of Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park and the tourism industry have been involved in developing the course, which has been endorsed by the Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park Board of Management. In developing the training program, Parks Australia and Charles Darwin University worked with tour operators and guides to ensure the course meets the operational needs of the broader tourism industry.

ELIGIBILITY/ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

There are no entry requirements for this program.

A Language, Literacy, Numeracy and Digital Literacy (LLND) evaluation helps identify any areas where you may need additional support to help you achieve your goals.

DELIVERY DETAILS

Location(s)	Alice Springs, Yulara, Remote, Online
Duration*	Six (6) months part-time
Study mode ^^	Face-to-face and online

Duration may vary depending on how long a student takes to reach the required competency level.
^ Course timetable will be provided on application for the course.
^^Information relating to study modes can be found in the 2026 TAFE Student Guide

FEES

The below fees have been determined in agreement with Parks Australia.

Offering	Fee Type	2026 Course Fees
Full Course	Fee-Free TAFE*	Free
	Flat Fee	$ 575.00

If you have successfully completed VTP490 Kakadu Knowledge for Tour Guides, you will have already completed two of the units. To undertake the single additional unit SITTGDE019 Research and share general information on Australian Indigenous cultures, fees will be:
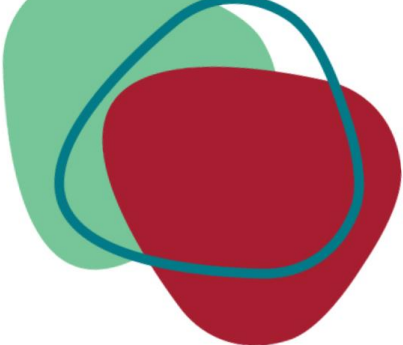
Offering	Fee Type	2026 Course Fees
SITTGDE019 only	Fee-Free TAFE*	Free
	Flat Fee	$ 325.00

*This course is part of the Fee Free TAFE initiative. Fee Free TAFE and vocational education and training is a joint initiative of the Northern Territory Government and Australian Governments providing tuition-free training places to students wanting to train, retain or upskill.

Fee free places are available for eligible domestic students who are NT residents, limited places are available, so secure your place now.

Fees shown are indicative and subject to change annually. Actual course fees may vary depending on the units chosen. For International non-student visa-holders; study eligibility needs to be verified before enrolment. Fees may vary depending on the visa type. The course fee rates will vary for commercial contract arrangements.

For further clarification and information on fees, fee exemptions, payment options, instalment plans, and refunds, contact CDU on 1800 061 963 or refer to TAFE Fees and Payments

ASSESSMENT

Skills and knowledge assessments are an essential step in progressing through your course. You may be assessed in a number of ways including written assessment, questioning , portfolios, work samples, direct observation, practical assessments and third-party feedback.

Throughout your course you will receive information about assessments including how, when and where assessments will be conducted.

RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING (RPL)

RPL is a process that determines whether the skills, knowledge and experience you've gained through your previous study, work or life experience can count towards a vocational training qualification at CDU. For more information, VET RPL.

CREDIT TRANSFER (CT)

Charles Darwin University as a Registered Training Organisation recognises the Australian Qualifications Framework qualifications and Statement of Attainments issued by any other Australian Registered Training Organisation (RTO).

Students are encouraged to submit any requests for credit from previous studies at the time of enrolment, to ensure they are not enrolling in units they may not need to undertake.

RESOURCES

Students will have 24/7 access to assessments and learning resources on Learnline, CDU's online learning platform. Before you can start using Learnline, you'll need to make sure that your computer has the correct setup. For more details: https://www.cdu.edu.au/current-students/services/learnline

You will require:
- Access to the internet
- A computer/laptop with Microsoft or Apple software
- Mozilla or Chrome search engine/browser

STUDY AND CAREER PATHWAYS

Further training pathways from this program include but is not limited to Certificate III in Tourism.

Possible occupations relevant to this program include:

- Cultural guide
- Heritage guide
- Historical guide
- Interpretive guide
- Site guide
- Tour guide

PROGRAM CONTENT

This training program covers three (3) units of competency taken from the SIT Tourism, Travel and Hospitality Training Package, which is recognised nationwide.

UNITS

SITTGDE019	Research and share information on Australian Indigenous cultures
SITXWHS005	Participate in safe work practices
SITXCCS010	Provide visitor information

WITHDRAWING FROM A PROGRAM

You may withdraw from this program and receive, where relevant, a Statement of Attainment for all units of competency you have successfully completed.

SUPPORT SERVICES

The University provides support for students in many areas, including Accommodation, Careers and Employability, Counselling, Disability Services, Financial Support Services, Student Advocacy, Indigenous Tutorial Support Services, International Student Support Services, Library Services, and VET Learner Support Services.

More information is available at Student Support - Life, Health and Wellbeing

CONTACT DETAILS

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