

Testimony

Ms. Erica Gurner held two sessions of 'Nature connection' workshop for our landscape design year one and final year students at TAFESA Urrbrae campus in 11th and 12th February 2014.

The outcomes of the workshop for both groups were, for me, unexpectedly fruitful. Some students expressed to me after the session that they have realized how much they are connected to nature and the environment, some mentioning that they've discovered creativity in themselves for the first time. Others stated that they would like to have more of those workshops for the future.

I believe this is a brilliant way to revive student's deep feelings for nature and stimulating them and helping them unlock ideas through key words and activities. It also provided a very useful tool for them, not only discovering what is important for them in relation to the nature, but also a way of communicating with clients more efficiently

The effect of this workshop on students has definitely shown in the following design studios. It is a great way of approaching sustainability for people with or without any background knowledge and a range of disciplines.

The effects of the workshop mentioned also apply to myself.

I would recommend this method of approaching sustainability and connection with nature to everyone, certainly to design students and introduced early in their study program

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