

STAGE 6: VIRTUAL FIELDWORK



Observatory Hill EEC

Virtual Fieldwork Webinar Offerings

The impact of COVID-19 made 2020 a year we'll never forget. The stress levels have been unprecedented. To alleviate some of the stress, Observatory Hill EEC created a range of online learning opportunities to assist you and your students. Live, online webinars have been created for the *Urban Places* component of the HSC Geography syllabus, in addition to a collaborative webinar with Taronga Zoo for *People and Economic Activity – Tourism*.

During these approximately one hour long (People and Economic Activity is two hours long) webinars, trained DoE Geography Teachers, through Zoom, Microsoft Teams, etc., join your class and describe in detail, a syllabus aligned case study. Providing facts, figures, and insight, your students are able to develop a deep understanding of the case study despite being unable to travel in person.

To ensure student engagement, worksheets accompany each webinar, and dedicated and maintained Google Sites for each case study support your students after the event. The sites showcase the virtual fieldwork case studies for key geography topics and include general information about the case study sites, key syllabus concepts, related film clips, current news articles and more. In addition, students (and teachers) will receive a link to a previous recording of the webinar so they can review the content, a VR tour to immerse themselves in the location, and a copy of the presentation delivered to aid in their study.

Webinars have been developed for the following options: *Urban Places* – [An urban dynamic operating in a country town or suburb] for *Pymont*, *Green Square* or *Barangaroo*, and *People and Economic Activity – Tourism: Taronga Zoo* (an Economic Enterprise). We are currently taking bookings for all options, please note there is a nominal cost per class.

Please contact us on 9247 7321 or visit our website – <https://observatoryhilleec.schools.nsw.gov.au/> for more information.

Looking forward to seeing you online,
The Team at Observatory Hill EEC

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