

## Ewen Silvester — Profile

Ewen Silvester received his PhD in chemistry in 1992 and, after a 3 year post-doctoral position in the Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS; Grenoble, France), was employed as a Research Scientist in CSIRO Minerals for a period of 9 years (1994 – 2003). He commenced employment at La Trobe University (Albury-Wodonga campus) in 2003, initially as a lecturer, and then later (2007 onwards) as Associate Professor in the Department of Ecology, Environment and Evolution.

Ewen's laboratory is located in the Murray-Darling Freshwater Research Centre (MDFRC) and many of the projects he is involved with are collaborative with researchers in the MDFRC.

Since 2003 he has supervised 10 Honours students and 8 PhD students. He is the current Director of the Research Centre for Applied Alpine Ecology (RCAAE), a joint initiative of researchers from La Trobe University and the University of Melbourne. In this role he facilitates the further education of industry professionals through a biannual Alpine Ecology Course offered at Falls Creek (Victoria).

He has also involved himself in the ongoing management of the Alpine National Parks through his membership of the Steering Committee for the Victorian Peatlands Spatial Action Plan (2011 – 2012).