



To conserve our heritage, we first need to understand the cultural connections—both tangible and intangible—between communities and places. Exploring these connections is the most rewarding part of my work.

Drew Kennedy Graduate Heritage Consultant

Drew Kennedy is a Wiradjuri woman. She is an archaeologist and heritage consultant with a background in environmental earth science and conservation. She holds a Bachelor of Archaeology, majoring in environmental earth science, from Macquarie University.

Drew has experience in undertaking archaeological surveys and excavations, conducting extensive background research and preparing Aboriginal due diligence assessments. She is skilled in reporting, site excavation, GIS mapping and field data collection.

Prior to joining GML Drew worked as a bush regenerator and intern environmental consultant. In this role she was responsible for plant identification, native seed collection, hand weeding, brush cutting and land management. She has a passion for helping to educate others on the importance of preserving artefacts, the environment and cultural heritage.

Qualifications

Bachelor of Archaeology, Macquarie University

Professional affiliations/memberships

Career Trackers Indigenous Internship Program, 2019–2020
Macquarie University Archaeology Society
Macquarie University Environment and Conservation Society

Key experience

Aboriginal archaeology

- Hilltops Council ACH Meeting, Aboriginal Cultural Heritage—Client: Hilltops Council
- Macquarie Place, Sydney, Aboriginal Due Diligence—Client: Hassell
- Darlington Public School, Aboriginal Cultural Heritage—Client: Mace Group
- West Dapto 2, Aboriginal Salvage Excavation and Reporting—Client: Stockland
- Mt Gilead Stage 2 Scoping Study, Community Consultation and Oral Histories—Client: Lendlease
- Allambie Heights (Forest High School), Aboriginal Test Excavation and ACHAR—Client: NSW Department of Education
- Phillip St Smart Streetscape, Proposal and Community Consultation—Client: City of Parramatta Council

Historical archaeology

- West Dapto 2, Historical Test Excavation—Client: Stockland

Professional background

Graduate Heritage Consultant, GML Heritage, June 2021–present
Bush Regenerator, Eco Logical Australia, November 2020–2021
Heritage and Environmental Intern, Eco Logical Australia, November 2019–March 2020

Volunteer experience

University of NSW Indigenous Winter School, 2013
Kinross Wolaroi School Aboriginal Support Group, 2011–2014