

Undergraduate Research Opportunity

PROJECT

The Introduction of Trout and Salmon in Australia, South Africa and New Zealand

Prof. Tobias Harper
History

Hours required p/week: 10
Credits anticipated: 3

This project, "The Introduction of Trout and Salmon in Australia, South Africa and New Zealand," is part of a history of recreational angling in the British Empire. In the nineteenth and early twentieth century British anglers and colonists introduced European and American fish into rivers in Africa, South Asia, Australia, and New Zealand in the hopes of creating new sport and food sources. Many of the formal records of how this was achieved are lost, but this was frequently reported in newspapers in Britain and in the colonies where these fish were introduced.

TEMPE

ONLINE

STUDENT

Research assistant's duties:

The student researcher will search various online newspaper and periodical databases for articles about fish acclimatization and experiences of fishing in British colonies. They will search newspapers based in Britain and in the colonies using specific online databases.

Required skills or qualifications:

Familiarity with using online newspaper databases and boolean search operators.

Skills student will acquire:

Research and organizational skills. The student(s) will also gain familiarity with specific online newspaper databases: including British Periodicals, Papers Past (NZ), and Trove (Aus).