What can I do with my Major?

NATURAL RESOURCES

OVERVIEW OF MAJOR

The Natural Resources major is offered by the Department of Natural Resource Management and Engineering. An interdisciplinary set of courses can be pursued, or the student can focus on a specific area within the major. The possible areas of emphasis include: Atmospheric Resources, Earth Resource Information Systems (LERIS), Fisheries Management, Forestry/Forest Ecology, Water Resources, and Wildlife Management. Students are provided with a thorough background in natural resource management and technology along with basic science and liberal arts.

NATURE OF WORK

Careers in Natural Resources involve balancing the needs of humans with the natural cycles of the environment, as well as seeking a clear understanding of one’s surroundings through observation. Typically, the work involves being outdoors, learning about forests, ecosystems, and the environment, while integrating science, business, people, and resource management. Those involved in the field of natural resources need to determine how best to preserve the environment and satisfy human needs.

SAMPLE JOB TITLES

Visit O*Net and conduct an Occupation Quick Search of each job title to learn more about that career path.

- Industrial Ecologist
- Natural Sciences Manager
- Park Naturalist
- Environmental Economist
- Forest and Conservation Technicians
- Range Manager
- Forestry/Forestry Technician
- Conservation Scientist
- Forester
- Hydrologist
- Tree Manager
- Environmental Consultant/Monitor
- Land Manager
- Conservation Educator
- Wildlife and Fisheries Manager
- Plant Pathologist
- Soils/Wetland Specialist
- National Park Service Professional
- Environmental Protection Agent
- Soil Chemistry Consultant
- Ecologist
- Environmental Soil Scientist
- Research Technician
- Landscape Designer
- Resource Monitor

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OTHER RESOURCES

Natural Resources Defense Council
Natural Resources Conservation Service
USDA Forest Service