

What Can I Do With a Major in Environmental Studies?

Sample Occupations: The following listings are occupations you can pursue with an Environmental Studies Degree. Please note that this list is not exhaustive. There are many careers for which an Environmental Studies Degree prepares you. *Note that the occupations that require an advanced degree are also listed.* For help in identifying more information about the occupations listed below, please visit the Career Center at 259 Highsmith Union.

Air Pollution Analyst	Forester	Oceanographer
Air Quality Inspector	Geochemist	Occupational Safety Specialist
Animal Conservationist	Geochronologist	Organic Farmer
Aquarium Keeper	Geographic Information Specialist	Paleontologist
Aquatic Environmental Scientist	Geologist	Park Ranger
Aquatic Toxicologist	Geophysicist	Pollution Prevention Specialist
Cartographer	Grassroots Organizer	Radioactive Waste Engineer
City Planner	Groundskeeper	Recycling Coordinator
Conservation Systems Analyst	Hazardous Waste Specialist	Seismologist
Curator	Horticulturist	Soil Scientist
Earthquake Safety Specialist	Hydrogeologist	Stratigraphers
Ecologist	Hydrologist	Urban and Regional Planner
Ecotour Guide	Industrial Hygienist	Wastewater Engineer
Energy Efficiency Consultant	Laboratory Analysis Specialist	Water Conservationist
Environmental Chemist	Landfill Engineer	Water Quality Controller
Environmental Educator	Marine Mammal Trainer	Watershed Planner
Environmental Journalist	Mineralogist	Wetlands Ecologist
Environmental Lawyer	Nature Preserve Manager	Wildlife Rescuer
Environmental Lobbyist	Nature Photojournalist	Zookeeper

Sample Work Settings

Aquarium	Landfill	Recycling Plant
Architectural Firms	Metal Manufacturers	Research Laboratory
Conservatory	Mining Industry	Schools and Colleges
Consulting Firms	Nature Conservatory	Ski Resorts
Farm	Newspapers and Magazines	Utility Companies
Fishery	Nonprofit Organizations	Waste Management Company
Forest	Park	Water Treatment Plant
Grassroots Organization	Pollution Control Agency	Wetland
Greenhouse	Power Plant	Zoo

Government Departments

Bureau of Land Management	Department of Natural Resources	Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards
Department of Agriculture	Department of Transportation	Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response
Department of Defense	Environmental Protection Agency	Parks and Recreation
Department of Energy	Geological Survey	USDA Forest Service
Department of Housing and Urban Development	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	US Fish and Wildlife Service
Department of the Interior	National Park Service	

Professional Organizations

Air and Waste Management Association <http://www.awma.org/>
American Geological Institute <http://www.agiweb.org>
Ecological Society of America <http://www.esa.org/>
Environment Industry Association <http://www.envasns.org/>
National Association of Environmental Professionals <http://www.naep.org>
Other Professional Associations http://www.unca.edu/envr_studies/links.htm

Internet Resources

Cool Works <http://www.coolworks.com/>
Cyber-Sierra's Natural Resources Job Search www.cyber-sierra.com/nrjobs/index.html
Earth, Environment and Water Sciences Job Listings <http://www.rileyguide.com/env.html>

E-Jobs <http://www.ejobs.org>
EnviroLink <http://www.envirolink.org/>
Environment Web Directory <http://www.webdirectory.com/employment/>
Environmental Career Center <http://www.environmentalcareer.com/>
Environmental Careers Opportunities <http://www.ecojobs.com/>

Environmental Education Directory <http://www.enviroeducation.com/careers-jobs/>
Environmental Jobs and Careers <http://www.eco.org>
Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) <http://www.epa.gov/>
National Council for Science and the Environment <http://ncseonline.org/>

Richard Bolles: What Color is your Parachute? – Job Hunters Bible <http://www.jobhuntersbible.com/>
The Student Conservation Association <http://www.thesca.org/>

UNC Asheville Career Center Resources for Environmental Studies Majors

Career Exploration:

100 Best Careers for the 21st Century
100 Jobs in the Environment
50 Best Jobs for your Personality
Careers For Environmental Types and Others Who Respect the Earth
Careers For Scientific Types and Others with inquiring Minds
Careers in Science and Engineering
College Majors and Careers
Environmental Career Directory
Environmental Careers in the 21st Century
Environmental Engineering Selection Guide
Is there an Engineer Inside You?
Liberal Arts Jobs
Opportunities in Engineering Careers
The College Career Bible
The College Majors Handbook
Vault Career Guides: Biotech, Capitol Hill Careers, Journalism & Information Media, Technology Careers, Top Energy & Oil/Gas, Employers and Top Pharmaceuticals & Biotech Employers
Opportunities in Law Careers

Job Search Resources:

Barron's Guide to HomeLand Security Careers
Find a Federal Job Fast
Finding your Perfect Work
Job Search Handbook for People with Disabilities
Job Searching Online For Dummies
Professional's Job Finder
Ten Steps to a Federal Job
The Book of U.S. Government Jobs
The Top 10 Fears of Job Seekers
Vault Guides: Schmoozing and Resume, Cover Letters, & Interviewing, and Starting your Own Business
Who's Hiring Who?

Internship Opportunities:

Americas Top 100 Internships
Directory of International Internships
Internship Handbook
Internship Success
Internships with America's Top Companies
Internships: Find the Right Internship for You
The Best 109 Internships
The Internship Bible
The National Directory of Internships