IS A CAREER IN ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION FOR ME?

- Learn more about this career
- Program Information
- Program Planning Guide
- Estimated Cost of Program

Conservation scientists and foresters manage the use and development of forests, rangelands, and other natural resources. These lands supply wood products, livestock forage, minerals, and water. They serve as sites for recreational activities and provide habitats for wildlife. Some workers advise private landowners on the use and management of their land and may design and implement programs that make the land healthier and more productive. Others work to conserve or restore public or private lands. Conservation scientists and foresters often specialize in one of several areas, such as soil conservation, urban forestry, pest management, native species, or forest economics.

PREPARATION
- GED
- ESL
- Pre-College (Adult Basic Ed.)

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PROFESSIONAL/TECHNICAL MICRO-CERTIFICATES
- Basic Wetland Delineation Certificate (9 credits)
- Advanced Wetland Delineation Certificate (19 credits)
- Geographic Information Systems Certificate (19 credits)
- Greenhouse Nursery Operations (17 credits)
- Sustainable Agriculture Fundamentals (19 credits)
- Sustainable Agriculture (16 credits)

PROFESSIONAL/TECHNICAL CERTIFICATES
- Environmental Conservation Studies (47 credits)
- Water/Wastewater Treatment Technician (69 credits)

PROFESSIONAL/TECHNICAL ASSOCIATE DEGREES
- Associate of Technical Arts (ATA) in Environmental Conservation - Parks Resource Management emphasis (116 credits)
- Associate of Technical Arts (ATA) in Environmental Conservation - Water/Wastewater Treatment Technician emphasis (91 credits)
- Associate of Applied Science Transfer Degree (AAS-T) Environmental Conservation (135 credits)
- Associate of Applied Science Transfer Degree (AAS-T) Environmental Conservation - Aquatic/Terrestrial Emphasis (111 credits)
- Associate of Applied Science Transfer Degree (AAS-T) Environmental Conservation - Marine Emphasis (115 credits)

FOUR-YEAR BACHELOR OF ARTS/SCIENCE DEGREE
- University of Washington
- Western Washington University
- The Evergreen State University
- Central Washington University

STARTING CONSIDERATIONS
Students are generally admitted Fall or Winter quarters. It is highly recommended that students complete their pre-college coursework before entry into the program.
- Admissions: Getting Started
- Admissions Form
- Placement Assessment

EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES*
- Surveying & Mapping Technician ($16.53 - $32.03)
- Watershed Management ($36.44 - $89.15)
- Environmental & Engineering Technician ($18.52 - $35.71)
- Fisheries Technician ($8.72 - $18.63)
- Lab Technician ($14.03 - $28.04)
- Water Resources Technician ($15.54 - $39.89)
- Water and Liquid Waste Treatment Plant ($18.98 - $35.93)

*Wage data based on most local wage information available at careerinfonet.org

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