What Can I Do With A Major In:
Natural Resources Management

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DESCRIPTION
The knowledge from a natural resource management degree will enable students to design sustainable solutions to address natural resource conservation and management problems. Students will learn about natural resource in both theory and practice.

WHAT JOBS ARE AVAILABLE?

Aquaculture  Conservation  Crop Production/Pest Management
County  Agent Forrester  Forest Products Procurement
Forest Recreation  Geographic Info.  Landscaping
Nurseryman  Research  Resource Management
Sales  Soil Conservation  Water Conservation
Teaching  Wildlife  Fisheries
Wood Products Utilization  Wildlife Officer  Conservationist

WHO EMPLOYS STUDENTS WITH THIS MAJOR?
Landscaping firms & nurseries | Agriculture, timber, mining, & energy industries | Extension services and schools | Federal, state and local government | Environmental protection agencies | Museums and universities | Non-profit organizations | Consulting firms | International agencies

INTERNSHIP INFORMATION
At Western Carolina University there are numerous internship opportunities for students. In some cases internships are established through a faculty member in the student's major. Oftentimes students find part-time jobs in an area related to their field of study. When this happens, students should discuss with their academic advisor the possibility of receiving college credit. Generally, three hours of general elective credit can be earned for a minimum of 200 hours of experience.

WHAT SKILLS ARE LEARNED IN THE CLASSROOM?
| Detail Oriented | Outdoor Skills and Knowledge | Problem Solving Skills | Written and Oral Communication | Interpersonal Skills | Teamwork | Innovative and Critical Thinking Skills |

KNOWLEDGE
- Forest, soil, water, and wildlife systems, as well as, techniques for assessing and monitoring their condition.
- Understanding and interpreting information and how to apply knowledge to new situations
● Problem-solving skills and the ability to make well-reasoned decisions, think creatively and search for, identify and consider all sides of an issue
● Skills to effectively analyze and interpret a wide range of information and data to discuss, support and/or reject ideas, opinions, reports, theories and proposals

Interested in the classes you’ll be taking? Check your eight semester program here: http://www.wcu.edu/academics/departments-schools-colleges/cas/casdepts/gnr/nrcm/nrcmsoil/eight-semester-plan-for-b.s.-in-natural-resources-management-soil-and-water-conservation-concentration.asp

PROFESSIONAL RESOURCES
● International Association for Society and Natural Resources: http://www.iasnr.org
● Job information: http://forestrycareers.org
● Tip: Join LinkedIn groups that are related to your career interest. Need help finding groups? Check out the “Groups You May Like” link under the Interests/Groups tab. Review the groups that professionals in your field of interest have joined and consider joining them as well.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

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