

NATURAL RESOURCE AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

CAREERS

The median annual wage for conservation scientists was **\$67,950** in May 2024.

100% of Mississippi State University students with a natural resource and environmental conservation degree **have a job after graduation.**

100% of our natural resource law and administration **graduates** are admitted into law school.



NATURAL RESOURCE LAW AND ADMINISTRATION

STEWARDSHIP DIRECTOR

Description: Develops and oversees programs that encourage sustainable land management.

Examples of Employers: Forest Landowners Association, Land Trust Alliance, Nature Conservancy

ENVIRONMENTAL LAWYER

Description: After graduation from law school and passing the bar exam, represents clients in legal issues related to the environment.

Examples of Employers: Environmental Protection Agency, non-profit organizations, private firms

POLICY ANALYST

Description: Communicates with federal agencies and stakeholders about policy issues and writes policy-related articles.

Examples of Employers: National Wild Turkey Federation, Association of Zoos & Aquariums, Forest Landowners Association, Society of American Foresters, National Fish and Wildlife Foundation



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NATURAL RESOURCE TECHNOLOGY

FOREST PLANNING ANALYST

Description: Manages and interprets geospatial and inventory data to support forest management decision-making.

Examples of Employers: Forest industry, state forestry agencies, USDA Forest Service

GEOGRAPHIC INFO. SYSTEMS SPECIALIST

Description: Compiles, edits, and maintains data in geographic and operational databases.

Examples of Employers: Environmental Protection Agency, National Park Service, non-profit organizations, state agencies, forest industry

DRONE PILOT

Description: Safely controls a drone to collect aerial photos or data to inform management.

Examples of Employers: Bureau of Land Management, US Fish and Wildlife Service, consulting forester



RESOURCE CONSERVATION SCIENCE

SOIL CONSERVATION TECHNICIAN

Description: Implements conservation practices and advises how to conserve soil/water.

Examples of Employers: US Army Corps of Engineers, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENTIST

Description: Assesses and manages impact of human activities on the environment.

Examples of Employers: Environmental Protection Agency, private environmental consulting companies

COASTAL RESOURCE MGMT SPECIALIST

Description: Supports the management, conservation, and restoration of coastal ecosystems.

Examples of Employers: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Mississippi Department of Marine Resources



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