Natural Resource Management graduates develop expertise in managing and planning public lands and waters while communicating with the public about critical relationships between humans and their environment. Students interested in an interdisciplinary approach to natural resources and a career dealing with land use, water resources, environmental policy, forest or rangeland ecology, and related endeavors may find this program suited to their career and life goals.

**First-Destination Employers**
- Bureau of Land Management
- USDA Forest Service
- National Park Service
- Colorado Parks & Wildlife
- Ark Ecological Services
- Big Thompson Conservation District
- Jefferson County
- Ken Caryl Ranch
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- Aloterra Restoration Services
- Rocky Mountain Conservancy
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**First-Destination Job Titles**
- Forest/Field Technician
- Ecological/Environmental Technician
- Conservation Steward
- Natural Areas Management Crew
- GIS Analyst
- Range Management Specialist
- Wildland Firefighter
- Climbing Wall Manager
- Staff Hydrologist
- Seasonal Park Ranger
- Wildlife Biologist/Crew
- Trail Crew Leader
- Research Assistant
- Vegetation Management Technician

**Mid Level Positions**
- District Wildlife Manager
- Resource Management Specialist
- District Ranger
- Program Manager
- Policy Advisor
- Environmental Protection Specialist
- Assistant Land Manager
- Environmental Planner

*may require more experience or education*

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1. Engagement with CSU Career Center
2. Internship Involvement
3. On Campus Employment
4. GPA

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**Career Checklist**

**First Year Students**
- Explore career options for your major by navigating the WCNR Career Services website
- Create a resume and learn how to write a cover letter. Ram Career Ready is our training module that helps guide you in this process.
- Log into Handshake, the CSU Career Center’s job and internship board
- Join a student organization:
  - Society of American Foresters (SAF), CSU Chapter
  - Rangeland Ecology Club, in association with Society for Range Management (SRM)
  - Society for Ecological Restoration (SER), CSU Student Guild Chapter
  - Minorities in Agriculture, Natural Resources, and Related Sciences (MANRRS)
  - Strategies for Ecology Education, Diversity, and Sustainability (SEEDS)
  - WCNR College Council

**Second Year Students**
- Update your resume through WCNR Career Services and Ram Career Ready
- Discuss career goals with your Career Education Manager
- Sign up to receive the NRCC Newsletter, our WCNR jobs listserv
- Volunteer in service or research projects
- Look for a summer field work or internships. Use all your resources: Handshake, the All-Campus Career Fair, faculty, staff, and advisors.
- Attend the WCNR Networking Dinner in spring

**Third Year or Transfer Students**
- Update your resume
- Learn how to apply for government jobs/internships via USAJOBS
- Schedule two informational interviews with alumni or employers in your field
- Learn how to research employers and alumni on LinkedIn
- Begin to explore graduate school options utilizing the WCNR Career Services website
- Look for a summer field work or internships and use all your resources (listed above)
- Take a leadership role in a student organization
- Attend the WCNR Networking Dinner in spring

**Fourth Year Students**
- Begin your job search nine months before graduation
- Polish your resume and cover letter; have them reviewed by your Career Education Manager
- Update Handshake job search options
- Connect to alumni and peers on LinkedIn and follow potential employers
- Review interviewing skills and schedule a mock interview at the Career Center
- Finalize graduate school applications
- Develop and secure professional references
- Join a professional association that aligns with your industry of interest, i.e., Society of American Foresters (SAF)

**Alumni**
- Continue to use the Career Center for guidance up to one-year post-graduation. All services are still available to you!