

Human Dimensions of Natural Resources

Warner College

The Human Dimensions of Natural Resources major prepares students to examine conservation issues through a multi-disciplinary lens that takes into account an issue's political, socio-economic, and ecological dimensions. Students gain skills to see a conservation issue through the eyes of varied stakeholders, to understand perspectives of an issue that may be different than their own, and how to work effectively with others in order to collaboratively address environmental issues. The HDNR major prepares students for a variety of jobs in conservation, with an emphasis on jobs that require strong interpersonal skills, leading others, and collaborating with people with diverse insights and opinions.

First-Destination Employers

- Rocky Mountain National Park
- Denver Parks & Recreation
- City of Steamboat Springs Parks & Community Services
- No Barriers Youth
- Peace Corps
- Mono Lake Committee
- Sierra Institute for Community & Environment
- New Horizons Travel
- City of Fort Collins
- Colorado Parks and Wildlife
- SavATree
- US Forest Service

First-Destination Job Titles

- Outreach Coordinator
- Environmental Educator
- Recreation Technician
- Park Ranger
- Visitor Use Assistant
- Resource Planner
- Travel Consultant
- Teaching and Research Assistant
- Water Conservation Technician
- Plant Health Care Specialist
- Naturalist

Mid Level Positions

**may require more experience or education*

- Advisor for Public Lands & Recreation
- City Planner
- Sustainability Manager
- Director of Natural Resources
- Project Manager
- Director of Recreation Operations

FACTORS *of* SUCCESS

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Engagement
with CSU
Career
Center

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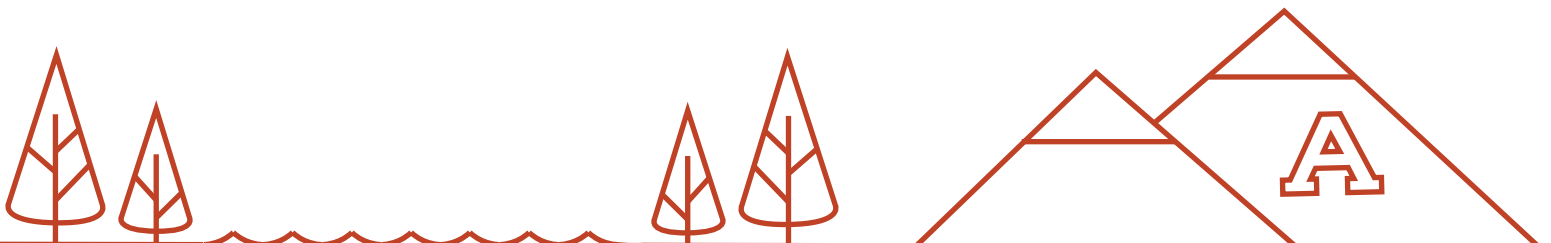
Internship
Involvement

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On Campus
Employment

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GPA





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:
 - CSU Tourism Association
 - Society of Women Environmental Professionals (SWEP)
 - Minorities in Agriculture, Natural Resources, and Related Sciences (MANRRS)
 - 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
- ☐ Participate 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 summer field work or internships and use all your resources (listed above)
- ☐ Take a leadership role in a student organization
- ☐ Obtain relevant certifications i.e., Wilderness First Responder (WFR), Avalanche Rescue Course, etc.
- ☐ 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., the National Association of Environmental Professionals, Colorado Youth Corps Association, etc.

Alumni

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



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