

CAREER ROADMAP:

Animal Science

Description of Field:

The animal science field encompasses many different aspects of animal studies.

Government agencies have animal related sectors that focus on research and laboratory work, environmental regulation, livestock specialties. There are also professional careers, such as veterinary medicine, that focus on the care and wellbeing of animals. Animal sciences can also be essential to education for training or research purposes.

Animal caretakers are also a large portion of the animal science field, which can be found in zoos, kennels, clinics, and farms.

The animal sciences field is constantly changing and an important function of the co-existence of humans and animals.

Insider Advice:

Many scientific related careers require additional certification or education to perform at a professional level.

Combining with degrees in other fields will broaden career opportunities.

If interested in a government sector job, be familiar with the application process and the requirements for that field.

Learn about Yourself & Career Options

What Can I Do With This Major:

[Wildlife and Fisheries](#), [Animal Sciences](#), [Marine Science](#)
[Biological Sciences](#)

Sample UF Majors:

[Biology](#), [Zoology](#), [Marine Sciences](#), [Animal Sciences](#),
[Entomology and Nematology](#), [Wildlife Ecology and Conservation](#), [College of Veterinary Medicine](#)

General Skills:

Scientific skills that foster problem solving methods, analyzing information, ability to reason, information categorization, problem recognition, ability to communicate and understanding of complex information

Sample Industries:

Agriculture, teaching and research, food industries, animal care, veterinary medicine.

Develop Professionally

CRC Resources:

Express Drop-in, Gator Professional Series, Employer Information Sessions, Graduate School Preparation Workshops, Career Showcase

Education needed

Academic Involvement:

Research with a faculty, service learning course, laboratory work

Industry Resources:

Career Planning:

Our [Career Planning](#) staff can help you explore interesting major/career options, prepare for and start an internship/job search. Log in to view the ways we can help!

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Salary Range

Work Environment

Hot Topics:

Alumni Profiles:

Career Connections Center
Level 1 J. Wayne Reitz Union
Career.ufl.edu
352-392-1601

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Build Experience

UF Organizations:
[Animal Law Association](#), [Animal Health and Wellness Club](#), [Marine Biology Club](#), [Zoo, Exotic and Wildlife Club](#)

Visit [Student Activities & Involvement](#) for Additional Opportunities

Professional Organizations:
[American Society of Animal Science](#), [Association of Zoos and Aquariums](#), [Conference of Research Workers in Animals Diseases](#)

Sample Local Employers:
[Trutech, Inc.](#), [Alachua County Humane Society](#)

Prepare for Your Next Step

Sample Job Titles:
Animal Management Systems Specialist, Animal Scientist, Beef Cattle Nutritionist, Avian Keeper, Research Animal Attendant, Small Animal Caretaker, Veterinarian Assistant, Associate Veterinarian, Fishery Biologist, Wildlife Manager, Zoo keeper, Animal Trainer

Search for Internships & Jobs:
[Animal Health Jobs](#), [Animal Science Jobs](#), [Animal Jobs Direct](#)

Sample Employers Recruiting at UF:
[SeaWorld Parks and Entertainment](#), [CROW](#), [Navy Marine Mammal Program](#), [Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission](#)

Log into [Gator CareerLink](#) to search for employers hiring UF students and additional resources