

## What can I do with a major in “Forestry”?

### The University of Georgia Career Center

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*This information describes typical occupations and employment settings associated with this major. Understand some of these options may require additional training. Moreover, you are not limited to these options when choosing a possible career path.*

#### **Description of Forestry**

Forestry is the profession of sustainably managing forestlands to meet society's demands for wood, clean water, wildlife habitat, recreation, conservation of forest flora and fauna, and climate amelioration. The nationally accredited Forestry curriculum provides a firm understanding of forest ecosystems, the way people view and utilize the forest, and management tools and concepts applied in forest management. The curriculum stresses "hands-on" field experience, teamwork, and developing critical thinking skills through problem analysis. The Warnell School of Forestry & Natural Resources is one of 52 programs nation-wide accredited by the Society of American Foresters. It is widely regarded as one of the top five forestry programs in the country. The graduate from this major will be a professional forester responsible for the resolution of competing uses of the forest and forest resources, and for the management of healthy, productive forests in meeting the owner's objectives.

#### **Research Careers**

Georgia Career Information Center <http://www.gcic.peachnet.edu> (accessible only on campus computers)

O\*NET <http://online.onetcenter.org> (click on Find Occupations)

Occupational Outlook Handbook <http://www.bls.gov/oco> (type in general term for career of interest)

Alberta Occupational Profiles <http://www.alis.gov.ab.ca/occinfo/frameset.asp> (click on Occupational Title Search)

**\*Please visit the Career Center Library or your Career Consultant if you need additional information or assistance.**

#### **Possible Job Titles of Forestry Graduates**

Arborist	Forest Resources Manager	Research Forester
Asst Inventory and Analysis Consultant	Forest Technician	Research Technician*
District Tech. Forester	Forester*	Resource Forester
Environmental Consultant	GIS Technician	Survey Forester
Environmental Scientist*	Inventory Accountant	Timber Appraiser and Buyer
Field Technician	Outdoor Educator/Instructor	Timber Broker
Forest Ranger	Plant Health Care Technician	Tree Surgeon
Forest Research Specialist	Procurement Forester	Urban Forester
	Quality Assurance Technician	Wood Buyer

#### **Possible Employers of Forestry Graduates**

Arborguard	Georgia-Pacific	Resource Solutions
Bartlett Tree Experts	Gilmon Paper Company	S & W Forestry
Classic City Appraisals	Henderson Logging	Sav A Tree
Consulting firms	International Paper Co. Inc.	State Forestry Commissions
F & W Forest Services, Inc	Lumber Companies	Tenneco Packaging
Forest Resources Management	Mulkey Enterprises, Inc.	Timber Companies
Georgia Depart. of Natural Resources	Newkirk Environmental	Trees Atlanta
Georgia Forestry Association	Nixon & Harris Forestry Corp.	Universities
Georgia Forestry Commission	Peace Corps	U.S. Forest Service*
Georgia Mountain Forestry Serv.	Public Land Management Agencies	Webb Properties
Georgia Power Company	Rayonier	Wetherton Leisure
Georgia Timberlands	Resource Improvements, LLC	Weyerhaeuser*

#### **Career Center Library Resources**

*2004 Federal Employment from A to Z* by Federal Research Service

*Forest Science in the South 2003* by USDA, Forest Service

*Outdoor Careers: 2nd Edition* by Shenk, Ellen

*The Eco Guide to Careers That Make a Difference* by The Environmental Careers Organization

## Campus Resources

### **Warnell School Student Organizations**

Ambassadors, Society of American Foresters, The Wildlife Society, Xi Sigma Pi

## Employment Websites

**UGA DAWGlink (career.uga.edu):** <https://uga-csm.symplicity.com/students/index.php>

**Warnell School of Forestry & Natural Resources Job Site:** <http://jobs.forestry.uga.edu/>

**Environmental Jobs and Careers:** <http://www.ejobs.org/>

**AgCareers.com:** <http://agcareers.com>

**Making the Difference (Federal Jobs & Internships):** <http://www.makingthedifference.org>

**Get Forestry Jobs:** <http://www.getforestryjobs.net/browse-all-jobs.php>

**Society of American Foresters Job Board:** [http://careercenter.eforester.org/home/index.cfm?site\\_id=8482](http://careercenter.eforester.org/home/index.cfm?site_id=8482)

**International Society of Arboriculture Careers:** <http://www.isa-arbor.com/jobBank/jobBank.aspx>

## Additional Resources

### **Society of American Foresters**

<http://www.safnet.org/>

### **Georgia Forestry Commission**

<http://www.gfc.state.ga.us/>

### **Georgia Forestry Association**

<http://www.gfagrow.org/>

### **USDA Forest Service**

<http://www.fs.fed.us/>

### **United States Forest Service International Programs**

<http://www.fs.fed.us/global/aboutus/welcome.htm>

### **International Society of Arboriculture**

<http://www.isa-arbor.com/home.aspx>

### **National Park Service**

<http://www.nps.gov/>

### **National Resource Conservation Svc.**

<http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/>

### **Bureau of Land Management**

<http://www.blm.gov/wo/st/en.html>

### **Society for Range Management**

<http://www.rangelands.org/index.shtml>

### **ForestryUSA**

<http://www.forestryusa.com/>

### **Nat. Assoc. of State Foresters**

<http://www.stateforesters.org/>

### **Center for International Forestry Research**

<http://www.cifor.cgiar.org/>

### **Forest Products Society -** <http://www.forestprod.org/>

### **American Forest and Products Association -**

<http://www.afandpa.org>

### **International Society of Tropical Foresters**

<http://www.istf-bethesda.org>

### **TreeLink**

<http://www.treelink.org/>

### **Tree Care Industry Association**

<http://www.treecareindustry.com/index.aspx>

### **Society of Wood Science and Technology**

<http://www.swst.org/index.html>

### **Tree Foundation of Kern**

<http://www.urbanforest.org/>