

What you can do with your **ZOOLOGY MAJOR**



Major Skills:



Critical Thinking

You learn how to identify, define, and solve problems, analyzing connections between the biological sciences and society and the biological world.



Written & Oral Communication

You articulate ideas clearly and effectively in written communications and oral communications; you can explain complex ideas to scientific and non-scientific audiences.



Research and Research Design

You understand how to plan and carry out scientific experiments by obtaining and evaluating scientific information (taking professional and ethical responsibility into account), identifying strengths and weaknesses of methods and approaches, reporting findings, and making recommendations.



Teamwork

You collaborate with others to achieve common goals and favorable outcomes.



Data Analysis

You learn to analyze quantitative data, utilize appropriate tools, predict outcomes, interpret results of data gathering, and present data.



Digital Literacy

You leverage existing as well as new and emerging digital technologies ethically and efficiently to solve problems, complete tasks, and accomplish goals.

Supplement Your Skills With:



Leadership and Mentoring



Communicating Science to Non-Scientists



Lab and Field Experiences



Career and Self-Development



Experience Fostering Professional Equity & Inclusion



Volunteer and Service Experience

Chart Your Path Forward

Activate Your Handshake Account

for connections to jobs, internships, employer & alumni networking.

Get Specialized Career Advising

from the Economics Career Development Office:
econ.wisc.edu/careers

Get Career & Internship Advising

from SuccessWorks to make a plan, whether you're a first-year student or about to graduate.

Get Started: successworks.wisc.edu

Put your Zoology major to **WORK**

Common Job Titles of Alumni:

- Registered Nurse
- Physician Assistant
- Owner / Partner
- Physician
- President / CEO
- Project Manager
- Physical Therapist
- Veterinarian
- Scientist
- Professor
- Consultant
- Teacher
- Dentist
- Research Assistant
- Medical Director

Common Employers of Alumni:

- Abbvie
- American Family Insurance
- Aurora Health Care
- Covance
- Dane County Humane Society
- Epic
- Exact Sciences
- Group Health Cooperative of South Central Wisconsin
- Gundersen Health System
- Labcorp Drug Development
- Mayo Clinic
- Medical College of Wisconsin
- National Park Service
- PPD
- SSM Health
- University of Minnesota
- University of Wisconsin
- US Department of Veterans Affairs
- UW Health
- Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources



Post-Graduation Plans 2016-2021:

- 64%** Employment
- 32%** Continuing Education or Grad School
- 4%** Volunteer/Service Program

Industry of Employment 2016-2021:

1. Education
2. Life Sciences
3. Healthcare
4. Non-Profit
5. Arts & Entertainment
6. Government
7. Information Technology
8. Marketing / Services
9. Agriculture
10. Natural Resources

Where Alumni Live & Work:

- 41%** Wisconsin
- 7%** Minnesota
- 7%** Illinois
- 6%** California
- 39%** Other



"My science courses provide the essential background information to explain the 'why' behind equipment and physiologic problems I encounter as a respiratory therapist. This solid science foundation helped set me apart from colleagues and allowed me to rapidly advance professionally."

Ellen Becker, 1983
Professor, Rush University
Chicago, IL



"The analytical and critical thinking skills gained from my Zoology major transcend across careers; From working on non-clinical trials to managing clinical research trials to being a product owner in the HealthTech industry, this major has given me the skills that I have needed at every stage of my career."

Kristen Labs, 2012
Business Analyst, Geno.Me
Milwaukee, WI

Career Communities for Zoology Majors

SuccessWorks has eight Career Communities to connect you with career advising, resources and programs. Here are a few suggestions on where Zoology majors can start.

Not inspired by these options? Visit SuccessWorks to explore more widely.

- **Environment, Natural Resources, & Wildlife**
- **Healthcare & Human Services**
- **Scientific Research & Development**
- **Non-Profit Management & Education**

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