What you can do with your LANDSCAPE AND URBAN STUDIES MAJOR

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Supplement Your Skills With:

- Build Community and Leadership in Student Organizations
- Gain Experience and Network with Alumni in Internships
- Global & Intercultural Experience
- Experience Fostering Professional Equity & Inclusion
- Build Professional Skills in Part-time Work

Chart Your Path Forward

Activate Your Handshake Account for connections to jobs, internships, employer & alumni networking.

Explore Career Communities to discover a wide variety of fields where you can turn your major into success.

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 Landscape and Urban Studies major to WORK

Common Job Titles of Alumni:
- Landscape Architect
- Landscape Designer
- Owner/Principal
- Planner
- Project Manager
- President/CEO
- Associate

Sample of Recent Employers of Alumni
- Ayres Associates
- CUNA Mutual Group
- City of Madison
- Dane County
- Flad Architects
- Graef
- Hawks Landscape
- Kimley-Horn
- MSA Professional Services
- McKay Nursery Company
- Milwaukee County
- Norris Design
- Olson Toon Landscaping, Inc.
- SWA Group
- Saiki Design
- Smithgroup
- The Bruce Company of WI, Inc.
- Trees on the Move
- University of Minnesota
- University of Wisconsin

Post-Graduation Plans 2016-2021:
- 50% Employment
- 50% Continuing Education or Grad School

Industry of Employment 2016-2022:
1. Engineering
2. Education
3. Government
4. Arts & Entertainment
5. Construction
6. Information Technology
7. Architecture & Planning
8. Real Estate
9. Natural Resources

Where Alumni Live & Work:
- 47% Wisconsin
- 7% Minnesota
- 6% Illinois
- 6% Colorado
- 5% California
- 29% Other

"It’s important to learn about the history behind how systems and laws were created to influence the built environment and, consequently, how the built environment influences social outcomes”

Mia Chapman, 2023
Housing and Development Intern, National League of Cities
Washington, D.C.

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

- Environment, Natural Resources & Wildlife
- Non-Profit Management & Education
- Government, Policy, International Affairs & Law
- Technology, Data & Analytics

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

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