SNRE PhD Career Information

From 2002-2007 the School of Natural Resources and Environment graduated 57 PhD students. 75% (43) PhD graduates responded to a recent survey. The information below was compiled with data gathered from these graduates.

Employment Sector of PhD Graduates

- 61% Private (Industry, Consulting, etc.)
- 20% Academic
- 11% Non-Governmental Organization/Non-Profit
- 8% Government

Government Sector Breakout

- Federal Government: 5
- State Government: 3
- International Government: 1

Academic Sector Breakout

- Assistant Professor: 11
- Post Doctorate: 8
- Associate Professor: 2
- Teacher - Professional Development: 1

Quick Facts:

- All graduates who reported working in the private sector are currently working in consulting
- 55% of graduates who work in the academic field are in a tenure track position
- On average, SNRE PhD graduates found a job within 6 - 7 months of beginning their job search

• Percentages in these charts are from graduates working in the Natural Resources and Environment field.
# PhD Graduates at Work by Employment Sector

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<td>The Wilderness Society (Conservation Ecologist)</td>
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<td>The Woods Hole Research Center (Postdoctoral Fellow)</td>
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<td><strong>Michigan State University</strong></td>
<td>Transformative Action Institute (Executive Director)</td>
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<td><strong>Portland State University</strong></td>
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<td>Great Lakes Fishery Commission (Legislative Liaison)</td>
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<td>Michigan DNR Fisheries Division (Fisheries Research Biologist)</td>
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<td>National Renewable Energy Laboratory (Senior Engineer)</td>
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<td><strong>University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point</strong></td>
<td>Smithsonian (Postdoctoral Scientist)</td>
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<td><strong>Utah State University</strong></td>
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<td>Parsons Transportation Group, Inc. (Senior Environmental Scientist)</td>
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<td>T.Y. Lin International (Urban Planner)</td>
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Where SNRE PhD Graduates are Employed

- Data in this chart is from PhD graduates (1-5 years after graduation) working in a Natural Resources and Environment field

Beginning PhD Graduate Salary Ranges

- On average, PhD graduates earn $40,000-$49,999 in Postdoctoral positions
- On average, PhD graduates earn $50,000 - $59,999 in Assistant Professor positions
- PhD graduates in Landscape Architecture earn $90,000-$99,999 in Associate Professor positions

The SNRE Career Advantage

Michael Dorsey, Assistant Professor at Dartmouth College (2005 SNRE PhD Graduate) Above, Michael is being interviewed by the Canadian Broadcasting Company for the 11th Meeting of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change in Montreal, Canada.

"The University of Michigan School of Natural Resources and Environment is one of those rare places where scholar-practitioners come together to work and articulate bold solutions to many of our most pressing environmental problems.

A top notch faculty, a perspicacious student-body, able administrators all collaborate together to train new leaders and invigorate new knowledge to sustain and restore ecosystems and the well-being of people in communities around the planet."
**SNRE Career Services:**

**NREeRecruiter** ([www.erecruiter.snre.umich.edu](http://www.erecruiter.snre.umich.edu))

NREeRecruiter SNRE’s on-line career system allows students to search for jobs and internships, network with alumni, find out what career events are going on around campus, and learn more about environmental employers that are hiring!

### Students can:
- Post resumes
- Apply for jobs and internships online
- Network with other students and alumni
- Receive customized job postings via email

### Alumni can:
- Keep in touch with other alumni
- Be a mentor to current students

### Employers can:
- Post job and internships
- Search student resumes
- Set up on campus visits

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**Alumni Networking:**

- SNRE has over 7,000 living alumni, many of them are interested in hiring our students and often post positions on NREeRecruiter.
- Students have access to alumni profiles and can contact them for career advice and for networking on NREeRecruiter.

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**Additional SNRE Career Services**

- Personalized Job Search Assistance
- General Career Advising
- Access to SNRE Alumni Network
- Mock Interviews
- Career Workshops & Events
- CV & Cover Letter Reviews
- Access to other UM Career Services

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