SNRE PHD CAREER INFORMATION

From 2007-2012 the School of Natural Resources and Environment graduated 67 PhD students.

82% (55) of these recent PhD graduates responded to a survey; 29% of respondents were international students.

SALARY INFORMATION

Data is from PhD graduates (1-5 years after graduation working full-time, in the Natural Resources and Environment field that provided salary information.

Yearly Averages:

- Overall $72,050
- Government $77,992
- Assistant Professor $64,487
- Non-Governmental/Non-Profit $75,000
- Postdoctoral/Research $48,545
- Private $97,500 (only two data points reported)

Multilateral Organization (too few data points to report an average)

QUICK FACTS:

- 98% of working PhD graduates are in the natural resources and environment field
- 100% of working PhD graduates who responded are “very satisfied” (48%) or “satisfied” (52%) with their current job
- The majority of our PhD graduates work in the academic sector; this year’s data analysis of 2007-2012 graduates:
  - Slight decrease in private in PhD graduates working in the private sector
  - Showed an increase in PhD graduates working in the academic sector

On average, SNRE PhD graduates in the NRE field found a job within 6-7 months of beginning their job search.

- 60% of PhD graduates had a job on or before commencement and 5% returned to a previous position. On average, those that were not employed at the time of graduation found employment within 2-3 months of graduating

WHERE SNRE PHD GRADUATES ARE EMPLOYED
PHD GRADUATES AT WORK BY EMPLOYMENT SECTOR

**ACADEMIC: FACULTY POSITIONS**
- Chatham University
- Florida State University
- Grace College
- Lenoir-Rhyne University Center for Graduate Studies
- National Institute of Development Administration (Thailand)
- National Taiwan University
- SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry
- UEFS Brazil
- University of California, Davis
- University of Haifa (Israel)
- University of Mount Union
- University of Virginia
- University of Waterloo (Ontario, Canada)
- University of Wisconsin

**ACADEMIC: NON-FACULTY POSITIONS**
- Centre College
- Hebrew University of Jerusalem (Israel)
- Hosei University (Japan)
- Michigan State University
- Pennsylvania State University
- Pomona College
- University of California, San Diego
- University of Michigan
- University of Western Sydney

**MULTILATERAL INSTITUTION**
- The World Bank

**NON-GOVERNMENTAL/NON-PROFIT**
- Huron River Watershed Council
- International Food Policy Research Institute
- The Field Museum
- The Keystone Center

**PRIVATE**
- ConocoPhillips
- FoodWiki, LLC
- Ford Motor Company
- Lockheed Martin
- Lucida Science Communication (Japan)
- M-Consulting Group (Zimbabwe)

**GOVERNMENT**
- American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS Congressional Fellowship)
- Argonne National Laboratory
- Great Lakes Fishery Commission
- Korea Environment Institute (Korea)
- Maryland Mediation and Conflict Resolution Office
- USDA APHIS PPQ
- USDA Forest Service
- US Department of the Interior Bureau of Land Management
- US Department of State (Congo)
- US Geological Survey
- US Environmental Protection Agency

At SNRE, each of our fields of study has a career specific website:
- Behavior, Education and Communication
- Conservation Ecology
- Environmental Informatics: GIS and Modeling
- Environmental Justice
- Environmental Policy and Planning
- Landscape Architecture
- Sustainable Systems

http://snre.umich.edu/career_services/resources#fos
EMPLOYMENT SECTOR

EMPLOYMENT SECTOR QUICK FACTS

• The majority of our recent grads (1-5 years out of school) in the academic sector work as assistant professor (53%), followed by post-doctoral positions (23%)

• Of those graduates who work in the governmental sector (U.S.), 91% work for the federal government

SNRE CAREER ADVANTAGE

NATHAN ENGLE
2010 PhD Graduate

"SNRE helped me learn how to consider the multiple perspectives associated with complex environmental problems, and how to work to bridge these oftentimes competing interests to form practicable policy solutions."

Nathan is an AAAS (American Association for the Advancement of Science) Science & Technology Policy Fellow in the Office of Senator Harry Reid. He helps advise Senator Reid on a range of science policy issues, including energy, climate change, water resources management, agriculture, and STEM education.

This chart is based on data from graduates working full-time in the Natural Resources and Environment field.
eRecruiter (www.erecruiter.snre.umich.edu) SNRE’s on-line career system allows students and alumni to search for jobs and internships, see a calendar of career events, and learn more about environmental employers that are hiring!

**STUDENTS AND ALUMNI CAN:**
- Post CVs
- Apply for jobs and internships online
- Receive customized job postings via email
- View and RSVP for career events

**EMPLOYERS CAN:**
- Post job and internships
- Search student resumes
- Set up on campus visits

**ALUMNI NETWORKING:**
- SNRE has over 7,200 living alumni
- Students and alumni can join the SNRE LinkedIn Group for networking with fellow students and alumni

**SNRE CAREER SERVICES**
- Personalized Job Search Assistance
- General Career Advising
- Mock Interviews
- Career Workshops & Events
- Resume, CV, & Cover Letter Reviews

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Professor and Associate Dean

Doctoral students work with world-class scholars on the SNRE faculty to address contemporary problems ranging from the loss of biodiversity, to environmental impacts on children’s health, to the ecological design of human-dominated landscapes. You will find that the School, and University at large, has the intellectual capital and physical facilities that will enable you to become a leading scholar of your area of interest. The School is highly interdisciplinary and collaborative, and we routinely collaborate with faculty from the 18 other schools and colleges at Michigan.

The SNRE faculty is committed to the mentoring and training of doctoral student and take pride in their many professional and scholarly achievements following their SNRE education. At SNRE, you have the flexibility to be very creative in your research questions and approaches. The program is highly individualized, tailored to the needs and goals of each doctoral candidate by their advisor and dissertation committee. Financial support from advisors, the School, and University is available to all admitted doctoral students. Presently, we have 50 current SNRE doctoral students who have a highly interactive social network and sense of community; many of them have been awarded EPA STAR fellowships and NSF Predoctoral Fellowships to support their doctoral studies. As a faculty, we take pride in their potential for future leadership in solving environmental problems and creating a sustainable world.