# What can I do with my Major?

# ECOLOGY AND EVOLUTIONARY BIOLOGY

## UCONN DEPARTMENT: Biological Sciences

To learn more about this major check out the department website or schedule a meeting with an academic advisor.

#### NATURE OF WORK

Within the field of ecology and evolutionary biology, there are many career paths. One can work on basic research doing lab work or one can be involved in more applied work. Applied research can include studying species harvested for cosmetics, or for use in pharmaceuticals, or how harvesting affects species' populations. Part of the job may be doing fieldwork in a variety of locations or doing research in academic settings. Other biologists work in managerial or administrative positions, usually after spending time doing research and learning about a firm, agency, or project.

Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Sciences prepares graduates with transferable skills and qualities that can be beneficial in a variety of industries and careers.

### **UCONN RESOURCES**

Alpha Beta Epsilon (ABE)

American Society for Microbiology,
UConn Student Chapter
UConn Bioethics Club
Biology Club
Research Exposure and Education
Development in STEM (REEDS)
Women in Math, Science, and
Engineering (WiMSE)

Additional organizations (and the most current information) can be found at the UConn Student Activities website.

# PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS & ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

American Institute of
Biological Sciences
American Association of
Pharmaceutical Scientists
American Society for Biochemistry and
Molecular Biology
Association of Science Technology Centers
Biophysical Society
Ecological Society of America
National Association of
Biology Teachers
National Science Teachers Association

A liberal arts and sciences education develops critical thinking, written and oral communication, versatility and problem solving skills, which are valuable in any career and will help students adapt to an ever-changing world.



### SAMPLE JOB TITLES

Visit O\*Net and conduct an Occupation Quick Search of each job title to learn more about that career path.

**Arboris** 

Aquaris

**Bacteriologist** 

**Biological Technician** 

**Bioinformatics Scientist** 

**Biochemists and Biophysicists** 

**Bioinformatics Technician** 

Biologis

Crime Lab Analyst

**Ecologis** 

**Ecologist Risk Assessor** 

**Ecotourism Coordinator** 

Ecotoxicologis

Entomologis<sup>1</sup>

**Environmental Educato** 

**Environmental Lobbyist** 

**Environmental Specialist** 

Fisheries Biologist

Fish Hatchery Mngr.

**Food Scientist** 

Forensic Scientist

Forester

Geneticis

Hydrogeologist

Marine Biologist

Marine Conservationist

Microbiologis

Museum Technician

Nursery Owner

Oceanographer

Park Conservationist

**Pathologist** 

Pharmacologist

**Plant Geneticist** 

Research Biologist

Science Writer

Soil Scientist

State Park Employee

Water Purification Chemist

Zoologists and Wildlife Biologists