



## **Joshua Nalitt**

### **BSF – Forest Management Concentration**

**Who I Am:** My name is Joshua Nalitt and I am a Junior who will graduate in May of 2019. My parents are Gail and David Nalitt. My father works as a meat cutter for Super 1 Foods. My mother is an alumni of Louisiana Tech University and is currently an elementary teacher at Glen View Elementary here in Ruston. I was born and raised right here in Ruston, Louisiana. I have attended Glen View Elementary, I. A. Lewis, Ruston Junior High, and Ruston High School. I graduated high school in May of 2015. I am a member of the Society of American Foresters and currently the President of the Louisiana Tech Student Chapter of the Society of

American Foresters. I have also recently joined the Wildlife Society and I am also an ambassador for the School of Agricultural Sciences and Forestry.

**Why Forest Management?** I chose forestry for many reasons. The main reason is because I grew up in the rural setting. I have always enjoyed the outdoors, whether it is hot or cold. I grew up hunting and fishing, which has really bonded me with the outdoors. Another reason is because in high school, I joined Future Farmers of America. It was here where I learned that I truly loved forestry. I loved going to forestry practice after school and enjoying the weather and learning how to better manage the forests. It was here where I learned many early skills in forestry such as dendrology and other skills.

**My Future Plans:** After this year I will begin my senior year here at Louisiana Tech. Following graduation, I plan to work for a business specializing in forestry, but at this point I am open to the type of company. I would prefer bidding on tracts of land for my company or to become a forest consultant. After 10 years of experience, I will consider starting my own forestry consultant business. I would like to help hunters manage their land for timber and wildlife. Starting my own business is my highest goal and is a longshot but will always be an option.