



SCHOOL OF FORESTRY

FOREST MANAGEMENT AND WILDLIFE HABITAT MANAGEMENT

QUALITY & AFFORDABLE EDUCATION

An education at Louisiana Tech is an excellent investment in your future. *Kiplinger's*, one of the nation's most respected personal finance publications, continually recognizes Louisiana Tech in its annual list of the Top 100 Best Values in Public Colleges. Not only that, but the faculty have distinguished themselves in the eyes of their most important and valued constituents: their students. RateMyProfessors.com, a student-generated Web site that rates college and university professors, ranked Tech at No. 2 in its 2008 Top University Faculty List.



Not only does Louisiana Tech offer a great education at a great value, the University also boasts the highest graduation rates and the shortest time to graduation for students in the University of Louisiana System.

Each year the School of Forestry administers over \$80,000 in scholarships to its students. More than \$30,000 of that is dedicated to new students entering one of the two degree programs within the School. New and transfer students are encouraged to submit scholarship applications early.

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The faculty members in the School of Forestry all hold advanced degrees in their respective areas of specialization and are widely respected in their fields. All classes in the School offer scientific theory blended with practical application and "hands on" experience to prepare graduates to step into their careers ready to "hit the ground running".

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Whatever career path you choose there will be a place for you with a degree in Forest Management or Wildlife Habitat Management. Over the past five years our graduates have enjoyed a near 100 percent placement rate in jobs that average \$40,000 per year with great benefits.

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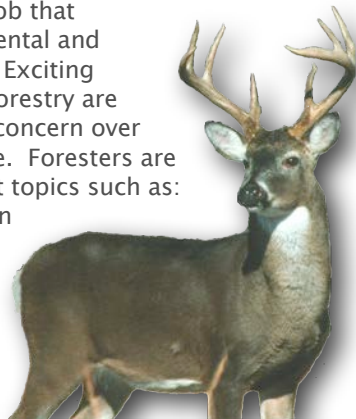
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BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN FORESTRY

The forestry degree (BSF) offers two concentration areas: Forest Management and Wildlife Habitat Management. Each concentration has foundation courses in wood production, ecology, soil and water quality, management and environmental sciences, and recreation management. The concentrations are designed to prepare graduates for a wide-ranging career in managing forested ecosystems and all of their amenities for timber and habitat conservation.

The educational program leading to the professional degree of BSF is accredited by the Society of American Foresters (SAF). The Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) recognizes SAF as the specialized accrediting body for forestry education in the United States.

Forestry is a "green" job that focuses on environmental and social responsibility. Exciting times in the field of forestry are coming with current concern over global climate change. Foresters are in the forefront in hot topics such as: carbon credits, carbon sequestration, biofuels and other ecosystems services.



FOREST MANAGEMENT

As a student in the Forest Management concentration you will gain an understanding of forest ecosystems, their functions, and their values. Classes will focus on the skills, knowledge, and experience necessary to make sound and efficient management decisions about forest ecosystems using the most current technology and field based skills.





The forestry curriculum emphasizes regeneration, growth, protection, management, and sustainability of forest resources. Students will gain an understanding of the sale, harvest, and conversion of standing timber into forest products, and ensure that it is done in a safe, efficient and environmentally sound manner.

Here at the School of Forestry we take our job of educating young foresters very seriously. After-all, our students will one day be in charge of our most precious renewable natural resource, our forests.



WILDLIFE HABITAT MANAGEMENT

There are many wildlife related degrees available throughout the state. However, Louisiana Tech's program is unique in that you not only learn about the wildlife, you will be prepared to manage the landscape and habitat the wildlife need to survive and thrive. You will learn about the life history, habitat requirements, and management of:

-  Key game species such as the wild turkey, white tailed deer, and wood ducks
-  Non-game species such as songbirds, threatened or endangered species, and other small animals
-  Wildlife communities
-  Forest ecosystems and their relationships with wildlife

Courses in wildlife habitat management are rooted in theory that are discussed in the classroom and then reinforced through practical, hands-on experience in outdoor settings through the School's research initiatives and conservation agencies efforts.

