Conservation Scientists and Foresters

Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resource Career Cluster

Median Salary: \$63,750

Typical Entry Level Education: Bachelor's Degree

Job responsibilities typically include:

- Conservation scientists typically do the following:
 - Oversee forestry and conservation activities to ensure compliance with government regulations and habitat protection
 - Negotiate terms and conditions for forest harvesting and for land-use contracts
 - Establish plans for managing forest lands and resources
 - Monitor forest-cleared lands to ensure that they are suitable for future use
 - Work with private landowners, governments, farmers, and others to improve land for forestry purposes, while at the same time protecting the environment
- Foresters typically do the following:
 - Supervise activities of forest and conservation workers and technicians
 - Choose and prepare sites for new trees, using controlled burning, bulldozers, or herbicides to clear land
 - Monitor the regeneration of forests
 - Direct and participate in forest fire suppression
 - Determine ways to remove timber with minimum environmental damage

What Personality Type do Conservation Scientists and Foresters have? (Holland Code - RIASEC)

- Realistic: Likes to work with animals, tools, or machines. Generally avoids social activities like teaching, healing, and informing others.
- Investigative: Likes to do creative activities like art, drama, crafts, dance, music, or creative writing. Generally avoids highly ordered or repetitive activities.
- Enterprising: Likes to lead and persuade people, and to sell things and ideas.
 Generally avoids activities that require careful observation and scientific, analytical thinking.

What South Fayette Classes would be beneficial for an aspiring Conservation Scientist and Forester?

- Biology
- AP Biology
- Introduction to Ecology and Environmental Science
- Chemistry
- English
- World Cultures
- Sociology

Learn More:

- Conservation Scientist Career Video
- Conservation Scientist and Foresters Occupational Outlook Handbook Information