

Options with a degree in Zoology

What skills will you develop?

Zoology graduates are able to:

- demonstrate knowledge and a broad understanding of animals and their interactions with the environment
- conduct professional-standard surveys
- employ the practical skills of conducting research in the laboratory and the field
- critically assess and make informed, evaluative choices
- undertake a quantitative and qualitative approach to acquiring, analysing and interpreting data
- employ a methodical approach, giving attention to detail
- write reports
- be self-reliant and work with initiative, managing time and workloads effectively
- use information technology to store, retrieve and produce material for course work
- work in a team or independently
- communicate both verbally and in writing

These are just a sample of jobs where a Zoology degree would be a useful background or relevant first step prior to further training or study.

- Animal technician
- Ecologist
- Field trials officer
- Marine scientist
- Masters or PhD level qualifications
- Nature conservation officer
- Teacher
- Zoologist

What other career options are there?

Many employers seek graduates with a good degree (usually a 2.2 or higher), and over 80% of graduate employers don't have a preference for the subject studied. These are some of the areas you could also consider. Some of these will involve further study or training.

- Accountancy
- Administration
- Advertising
- Banking
- Charity and voluntary work
- Civil Service
- Events management
- Finance
- Hospitality
- HR
- Insurance
- Law
- Local government
- Management
- Marketing
- Politics
- Public Relations
- Recruitment
- Research scientist
- Sales and retail
- Tourism

For more information about different sectors and job roles, including career-planning tools, the following websites are helpful:

[Prospects](#)

[National Careers Service](#)

[Target Jobs](#)

[All About Careers](#)

What help is available from the University of Cumbria?

The Careers and Employability Service can support you with your career planning throughout your time at university, and for up to three years after you graduate. During this time, you can access our career hub, [My Career Enriched](#), which enables you to:

- search for graduate jobs, part-time work, work experience, placements and paid internships
- book one-to-one advice and guidance appointments
- book a practice interview
- book onto employability events
- access the CV/application review service

The Careers and Employability Service also offer practical workshops on a range of employability topics, as well as advice and information about further study.

Students with a disability or health condition can request information and advice on finding disability confident employers, how to declare a disability, applying for work, and requesting adjustments in the recruitment process.

Access our range of careers information and resources on [My.Cumbria.ac.uk](https://my.cumbria.ac.uk)

Other useful sources of advice

- [Blackboard](#)
- [Targetpostgrad](#)
- [FindAMasters](#)
- [Oxfam GB](#)
- [Voluntary Service Overseas \(VSO\)](#)
- [Natural England](#)
- [Environmentaljobs](#)
- [The Institute of Zoology](#)
- [Marine Biological Association](#)
- [British Antarctic Survey](#)

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