

COLLEGE OF NATURAL RESOURCES

University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point

The College of Natural Resources (CNR) is widely regarded as the leading undergraduate program in natural resources in the United States. It began in 1946 with the nation's first conservation education major. In 1970, the College was formally established and is now the largest undergraduate program in North America, with over 100 faculty and staff, 1300 undergraduates and 50 graduate students. The strength of the program is the interdisciplinary education of our students. All students take coursework in forestry, wildlife, water resources and soils before focusing on their major. The College's majors and specialized options include:

I. FORESTRY

1. Forest Administration & Utilization
2. Forest Management
3. Forest Recreation
4. Urban Forestry
5. Ecosystem Restoration & Management

IV. RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

1. General Resource Management
2. Land Use Planning
3. Environmental Education/Interpretation
4. Youth Programming & Camp Mgmt.
5. Resource Mgmt Law Enforcement
6. Resource Mgmt Policy

II. FISHERIES & WATER RESOURCES

1. Fisheries
2. Water Resources
3. Watershed Management

V. SOIL & WASTE RESOURCES

1. Soil Science
2. Waste Management
3. Soil and Land Management

III. WILDLIFE ECOLOGY

1. Research and Management
2. Information and Education

VI. PAPER SCIENCE & ENGINEERING

MINORS ARE OFFERED IN 14 AREAS, INCLUDING: Captive Wildlife, Conservation Biology, Environmental Communications, Environmental Law Enforcement, Environmental Education/Interpretation Forestry, Forest Recreation, International Resource Management, Land Use Planning, Resource Management, Soil Science, Water Resources, Wildlife, Youth Programming & Camp Management

EXCELLENT SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE: Scholarships for continuing CNR students exceed \$180,000 with over 180 awards made annually. New freshmen should apply for scholarships through the UWSP Admissions office after they are accepted. Additionally, students may apply for University and federal financial aid programs.

INTERNSHIPS AND SUMMER JOBS: The CNR stresses the importance of in-field work experience during every summer the students are attending college. During the summer of 2005, there were more summer jobs than students to fill them with state, federal and private agencies throughout the United States! In addition, over 100 students participated in paid internship positions for college credit.

GRADUATES OF THE CNR ARE IN GREAT DEMAND: After completing their undergraduate degree, our students have many job offers and overall, 80 -100% either go to graduate school or find jobs in their fields.

OUR STUDENTS ARE INVOLVED. The CNR has 21 student professional organizations with over 1,000 active members. Student organization members gain skills and experience in leadership development, communications, public relations and practical application of their knowledge.

CNR STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

- ◆ Alliance for a Sustainable Earth
- ◆ Student Society of Arboriculture
- ◆ Environmental Council
- ◆ American Water Resources Assoc.
- ◆ Herpetology Society
- ◆ Student Law Enforcement Assoc.
- ◆ Izaak Walton League
- ◆ Soil & Water Conservation Society
- ◆ Society of American Foresters
- ◆ UWSP Fisheries Society
- ◆ Society for Ecological Restoration
- ◆ Waste Management Society
- ◆ UWSP Fire Crew
- ◆ WI Parks & Recreation Association
- ◆ The Wildlife Society
- ◆ Women in Natural Resources
- ◆ Wisconsin Camps
- ◆ Xi Sigma Pi (Honor Society)
- ◆ Envir. Educators/Naturalist Assoc.
- ◆ Roots & Shoots
- ◆ Student Planning Association

THE CNR EMPHASIZES FIELD EXPERIENCE IN ALL CURRICULA. The College operates three field stations:

1. TREEHAVEN is a 1,400-acre field station near Tomahawk, WI that serves as a year round conference center as well as a base for our summer camp. All CNR students participate in a six-week summer camp field experience at Treehaven or attend a similar program in Europe. www.uwsp.edu/cnr/treehaven/
2. CENTRAL WISCONSIN ENVIRONMENTAL STATION (CWES) is a 300-acre facility on Sunset Lake, 17 miles east of Stevens Point. CWES is a year-round conference and environmental education center. Visit their website at www.uwsp.edu/cnr/cwes/ for summer camp information
3. SCHMEECKLE RESERVE is a 275-acre nature preserve, adjacent to the UWSP campus that provides a field laboratory for many UWSP classes as well as an extension of the city park program. In addition to an Interpretative Center and hiking trails it is home to the Wisconsin Conservation Hall of Fame, highlighting important pioneers in conservation. www.uwsp.edu/cnr/schmeeckle/

CNR INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS allow students to gain a global perspective on resource management. There are several international programs coordinated by the CNR:

1. European Environmental Studies program in Germany, Poland & Iceland (summer – 7 weeks).
2. Semester abroad in Australia Fiji, and New Zealand
3. Semester abroad in New Zealand & Tahiti
4. Winterim trip to study rain forest ecology in Costa Rica (3 weeks)
5. Winterim trip to Belize & Mexico to study cultural & environmental issues (3 weeks)
6. Winterim trip to Tanzania, Africa (3 weeks, every other year)

HIGH SCHOOL PREPARATION: To prepare for a major in natural resources, high school students should focus on courses in **biology, chemistry, mathematics, computers and communications.**

ADMISSION TO UW-STEVEN'S POINT

You may apply for admission to the university after September 15 of your senior year of high school. Applications are available from your high school guidance counselor or the UWSP admissions office, (715) 346-2441 or <http://www.uwsp.edu>.

FOR MORE INFORMATION visit the CNR website at: <http://www.uwsp.edu/cnr/>

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