

ZOOLOGY

Zoology is the study of animals, ranging from microscopic invertebrates to the largest animals to ever live on the planet. An education in Zoology prepares you to start a career working in any of the broad levels of life, from working on the cellular level, to working on a specific species or individual animal, or all the way up to working on total ecosystems or the whole biosphere. Work can be as varied as doing research on topics such as animal behavior, cellular biology, or ecology, working in animal husbandry, being on the frontlines of conservation, or being the neighborhood veterinarian.

Factors of success:

Engagement with the CSU Career Center

Internship or research involvement

On campus employment

GPA

Additional resources:

- What can you do with a major in Zoology?
<https://col.st/430hE>
- Learn more about occupations involving Zoology: <https://col.st/bSpLi>
- Learn more about careers in Zoology from a professional association: <https://zaa.org/>
- See current opportunities in Zoology:
<https://col.st/LHJiW>



Common employers

- USDA
- Forest Service
- Colorado Parks and Wildlife
- Denver Zoo
- Greenwood Wildlife Rehab Center
- Arapahoe Animal Hospital
- City of Fort Collins
- UC Health
- Disney

Common job titles

- Veterinary Technician
- Park Ranger
- Science Teacher
- Wildlife Rehab Assistant/Keeper
- Wildlife Officer
- Animal Care Technician
- Aquarium Biologist
- Research Assistant

Scan the QR code to access the online version:



<https://col.st/woJWz>



CAREER CHECKLIST

Year 1

- Go to the Career Center's drop-in hours or schedule an appointment
- Log into Handshake, the CSU Career Center's online location for on-campus jobs, internships, and careers. Find an on-campus job and work for 10+ hrs/week
- Join a student organization relevant to Zoology, like the Zoology Club

Year 2

- Go to the Career Center to discuss job/internship search strategies, create a resume and write a cover letter and tips for interviewing
- Apply for undergraduate internships: <https://col.st/LHJiW>
- For more research opportunities, visit: <https://col.st/1tM1t>

Year 3

- Run for a leadership role in a student organization
- Update your resume and/or cover letter for internships or on-campus jobs
- Learn about graduate school options: <https://col.st/zWA5n>

Year 4+

- Present research at CSU
- Submit a poster presentation for a local conference
- Attend many networking events to meet employers
- Ask three professors and/or employers to be professional references

Alums

- You may continue to use the Career Center for guidance! All services are still available to you at no cost for one year after graduation and for a small fee after that.

