

166 Bedford Highway, Halifax, NS, B3M 2J6 902-457-6788 What can I do with my degree in...Bachelor of Science, Biology?

Knowing What's Expected

If you are interested in conducting research through observation and experiment, developing new practices, as well as systematically studying behaviors of the physical and natural world you will enjoy the options that the Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Biology affords.

Jobs in this field require the ability to perform a wide variety of functions.

You will be required to have an excellent command of language both written and spoken. Problem solving and analytical skills are an asset as are the abilities to multitask, develop solid research skills, and prepare reports.

Transferable Skills

- Continually improve interpersonal and communication skills
- Cultivate problem solving and analytical skills
- Develop solid research skills
- Multi-disciplinary teamwork

Your Choices

A Bachelor of Science with a major in Biology opens the door to many fields like law, education, environmental studies, ethics, health, human ecology and public administration.

As a result, you may pursue occupations in health, sciences, education, research, demographics, forensic science, and government services.

*Further education may be required for some careers.

Careers for Biology Majors

- Medicine
- Dentistry
- Pharmacy
- Food Science
- Technical marketing
- Conservation
- Forensic Science
- Veterinary Medicine
- Research Science
- Clinical Cytogeneticist
- Industrial Research
- Civil Service Administrator Statistical analysis
- Insurance industry
- Agronomist
- Marine Biologist
- Teaching

Necessary Skills

- Organizational Skills
- Community Service work
- Reporting
- Numeracy Skills and Statistical **Awareness**



What Employers Want

Contributions you make to your community reflect well on you as an individual. Employers are looking for students who are dedicated, hard working, and show a commitment to their interests.

By getting involved in on-campus societies (See-www.mountstudents.ca) and volunteering early, you will not only show credibility in your area of interest but also a willingness to work towards goals.

Associations

Why join now? Professional associations are a great way to network within your field of study. Not only do these organizations help get you connected, they also help keep you well-informed. Many also have discounted student membership rates.

- Science Focus www.lab-focus.com
- Canadian Federation of Biological Societies www.fermentas.com
- National Institute of Nutrition www.nin.ca
- Canadian Society of Microbiologists www.csm-scm.org
- Canadian Council for Human Resources in the environmental industry www.cchrei.ca

Available Reference Materials

What To Do With Your Degree

- Biology (Refer to yellow binder)
- Great Jobs for Biology Majors

Occupation Information

- Careers for scientific types & Other inquiring minds
- www.careercruising.com

Directories

- ❖ Who's Hiring
- Associations Canada
- Canadian Career Directory

Job Searching

Job Hunting Websites

- www.msvu.ca/careerplanning
- http://www.newscientistjobs.com/job s/browse/biology-canada.htm
- Career Beacon www.careerbeacon.com
- Government of Canada http://jobs.gc.ca
- Government of Nova Scotia www.gov.ns.ca/psc/employ
- HRSDC (NS) www.ns.hrdcdrhc.gc.ca/english/jobs.htm
- Workinfonet www.ns.workinfonet.ca
- Atlantic Canada Careers www.acc.net
- www.sciencejobs.com
- CECAB (Canadian Environmental Certification Approvals Board) http://www.cecab.org/public/default.a spx.

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