

What can I do with a major in...

Biology?

A major in biology will prepare you for a variety of careers, whether you choose to become a biologist or apply your background in other work environments. The following list contains a sample of job titles of CMU graduates with a biology major. This list represents some, but certainly not all, of the careers you may consider.

Career Titles for a Biology Major:

- Aquatic Biologist
- Cytologist
- Dentist
- Environmental Protection Worker
- Fisheries Conservationist
- Medical Illustrator
- Medical Technologist
- Microbiologist
- Museum/Aquarium Administrator
- Pharmaceutical Sales Representative
- Physical Therapist
- Physician
- Researcher
- Scientific Photographer
- Soil Scientist
- Technical Writer
- Veterinarian
- Water Quality Technician
- Wildlife Biologist
- Zoologist

Students obtaining employment immediately upon graduation usually are those with the best college records and a willingness to relocate for a job. Some of these jobs also require education beyond a bachelor's degree.

Professional Skills Acquired Through a Major in Biology

Many occupations in today's working world require college-educated individuals who can write and speak well, solve problems, learn new information quickly, and work well with a team. In addition to opening the door to numerous career possibilities in this field, a major in biology will help you develop the fundamental skills that many employers in many other professions are seeking in their employees.

Skills and qualities acquired through a major in biology may include:

- Accuracy
- Analytical and quantitative abilities
- Critical observation
- Curiosity and creativity
- Detail orientation
- Handling and organizing information
- Innovation
- Numerical computation
- Objectivity
- Oral and written communication
- Problem solving
- Scientific equipment operation
- Statistical application
- Teamwork
- Technical expertise
- Theoretical and practical orientation
- Working independently

For more information about biology and other majors, please contact Career Services.

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