



Preserving Iowa's Land and Natural Resources

Explore the broad variety of careers available at the Iowa Department of Natural Resources.

Event Components:

This prerecorded event takes a dive into the different careers available within the Iowa DNR. Discover the education & training required to land the job, as well as what a day in the life of a wildlife researcher entails.

Service Area:

Natural Resources

Audience:

Iowa Students

State Standards Covered:

- CS.04.01.01.a - Define stewardship of natural resources and distinguish how it connects to AFNR systems.
- CS.04.02.01.b - Analyze natural resources trends and technologies and explain how they impact AFNR systems (e.g., climate change, green technologies, water resources, etc.).

For Educators & Students:

Pre-Event Questions to Consider

- What does it mean by being good stewards of natural resources and how does it connect to the AFNR system?
- What is the difference between a conservationist and a naturalist?
- What technologies are used to manage natural resource systems across the state?
- What education is required in becoming an officer? (Conservation and Natural Resources)
- What does a typical day look like?
- What are the different departments within the Department of Natural Resources?
- What types of classes could students take if they are interested in this career field?

Post-Event Questions to Consider

- Which career pathway sounds most interesting to you?
- What does your area offer for conservation opportunities?
- What steps can you take to become more aware of your local environment and its preservation?
- How can you make an impact in your community?