

# Zoology & Ecology Career Snapshot



## Graduate Opportunities

Zoology and Ecology graduates find employment in a **range of organisations including zoos, wildlife parks and environmental protection agencies, animal & environmental charities, government, conservation organisations, universities and research institutes.**

Job titles might include:

- Ecologist
- Environmental Consultant
- Conservation/Environmental Officer
- Wildlife & Rehabilitation Assistant/Technician
- Environmental Data/Monitoring Technician
- Academic Researcher
- Zoologist/Zookeeper
- Park Ranger
- Fauna Spotter/Catcher

**Look at:** [What Can I Do With My Zoology Degree?](#)

## Further Study Options

An **Honours year** is available to high-achieving BSc Zoology and Ecology major students. It is **usually essential for entry into Higher Degrees by Research.**

Graduates interested in a career in research and/or academia will typically follow this with either a **Master's** or a **PhD**. Visit [JCU Research Profiles](#) for information on research interests of JCU staff and research advisors.

## Career Relevant Experiences

Jobs in Zoology/Ecology related fields are typically highly competitive and **any form of experience is extremely valuable and important** (internships, vacation work, volunteering and other work experience):

- [Wet Tropics Management Authority](#)
- [TropEco Interns](#)
- [Billabong Sanctuary](#)
- [Coexist Australia](#)
- [Conservation Volunteers Australia](#)

## Professional Associations

The following Professional Associations are worth investigating:

- [Ecological Society of Australia](#)
- [Australian Wildlife Management Society](#)
- [Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies](#)

## Job Boards

- [NRM Environmental Jobs](#)
- [Environmental Jobs Network](#)
- [Ethical Jobs](#)

## Recommended Skills

Many entry level roles related to Zoology/Ecology will require specific skills and certifications. Look at job adverts to see what skills you will require. Here are some commonly required skills:

**Field Research & Data Collection;** Data Analysis & Software; **Animal Handling/Husbandry;** Report Writing; **Driver's Licence (Manual/4WD);** Wildlife Surveying; **Working Independently/Remotely**

## Graduate Career Portals

Check out these sites for graduate programmes, graduate jobs, internships and placements:

- [Prosple](#)
- [SEEK Grad](#)
- [Smart Jobs](#)

## JCU Careers Support

The JCU Careers and Employability Team are here to support you during your studies and after you graduate:

- [JCU Careers Website](#)
- [CareerHub \(Book Careers Appointments Here\)](#)