Wildlife

Program Overview
The wildlife program provides a foundation that instills students with a sense of responsibility, appreciation, expertise, and the drive to help manage and conserve the earth's wildlife and ecosystems.

Students receive rigorous academic training in the classroom and in the field from a series of ecology and management courses which focus on large mammals, waterfowl, upland game, and non-game (e.g. herps, shorebirds, birds of prey, or neotropical passerines). Students complete independent research and complete a senior thesis with supervision from a professor.

Why HSU?
We offer specialty courses in:
advanced ornithology
conservation biology
population ecology
upland habitats
wildlife diseases
behavioral ecology,
ethology (animal behavior)
spatial ecology
wetlands
independent research

The campus overlooks Humboldt Bay and coastal habitats that attract a wealth of the Pacific Flyway’s migratory shorebirds, raptors, and waterfowl. Local habitats, including Redwood National and State Parks and Six Rivers National Forest, are inhabited by black bears, river otters, Roosevelt elk, bobcats, mountain lions, and more.

The HSU wildlife program is nationally recognized. Our alumni hold many top jobs in the profession and often choose HSU wildlife graduates for jobs as field biologists, refuge managers, educators, game wardens, environmental consultants, etc.

If you love the outdoors, wish to study wildlife, and want to contribute to conservation and management, then you should definitely consider an HSU wildlife degree!

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Bachelor of Science
Concentrations available in:
Conservation Biology/Applied Vertebrate Ecology
Wildlife Management & Conservation

Master of Science
Natural Resources, Wildlife Minor

Related Careers
Conservation Biologist
Conservation Ecologist
Conservation Officer
Ecologist
Environmental Planner
Environmental Specialist
Fish and Game Warden
Fish and Wildlife Assistant
Fisheries Technician
Forestry Technician
Range Conservationist
Range Technician
Natural Resources Specialist
Park Naturalist
Park Ranger Park Technician
Pest Control Operator
Recreation Specialist
Research Biologist
Shooting Preserve Manager
Soil Scientist
Special Agent- Wildlife
Wildlife Biologist
Wildlife Manager
Wildlife Technician
Wildlife Refuge Manager

Some of the careers listed may require additional or specialized coursework.

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