



**What can I do with a major in
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH?**
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*The information below describes typical occupations and employers associated with this major.
Understand that some of the options listed below may require additional training.
Moreover, you are not limited to these options alone when choosing a possible career path.*

Description of Environmental Health Science

Environmental Health Science is the study of the biological, chemical and physical agents occurring naturally or introduced into the environment and their effects on our health and well-being. It includes a study of human activities, a vital component in our complex ecosystem. It serves the general welfare by safeguarding and improving the quality of food, shelter, air, water and other natural resources. Students take applied environmental health science courses in such areas as air, water and noise pollution; solid and hazardous waste management; environmental toxicology; industrial hygiene; food microbiology; epidemiology; and environmental health administration. The degree program is nationally accredited and is the only undergraduate environmental health program in Georgia. The BSEH degree also provides excellent preparation for post-graduate studies in Medicine, Veterinary Medicine, and Pharmacy, as well as graduate work in Public Health, Toxicology, Industrial Hygiene, and Environmental Science.

Possible Job Titles of Environmental Health Graduates

(*Jobs secured as reported by UGA Career Center post-graduate survey)

Environmental Scientist	Hazardous Waste Regulator	Research Assistant*
Environmental Analyst*	Health Safety Officer*	Research Scientist
Environmental Code Enforcement Officer	Industrial Hygienist*	Sales Coordinator*
Environmental Specialist*	Infection Control Assistant*	Scientist
Environmental Toxicologist	Lab Technician	Senior Science Assistant
Environmental Underwriter*	Public Health Specialist	Soil and Water Conservation Specialist
Field Chemist*	Radiation Safety Technician	Wastewater Treatment Supervisor

To research careers of interest, you may want to visit these web sites:

Georgia Career Information Center <http://www.gcic.peachnet.edu> (accessible only on campus computers)

O*NET <http://online.onetcenter.org> (click on Find Occupations)

Occupational Outlook Handbook <http://www.bls.gov/oco> (type in general term for career of interest)

Alberta Occupational Profiles <http://www.alis.gov.ab.ca/occinfo/frameset.asp> (click on Occupational Title Search)

***Please visit the Career Center Library or your Career Consultant if you need additional information or assistance.**

Possible Employers Who Might Hire Environmental Health Science Graduates

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Amoco Corporation*	Duracell Inc.	Georgia Power Company*
ATC Environmental*	Duke Power	Gold Kist*
Athens Research and Technology*	Environmental Consulting firms	Private Industry
Centers for Disease Control*	Environmental Protection Agencies	Proctor & Gamble*
CIBAVision*	(State & Federal)	Public Health
Dalton Utilities	Federal or state government	Seaboard Farms*

Career Center Library Resources for Environmental Health Science Majors

Public Health: Career Choices that Make a Difference by Turnock, Bernard J.

2004 Federal Employment from A to Z by Federal Research Service

2004 Regional Life Science Employment Directory by Peak Publishing

Exploring Health Care Careers by Ferguson

Metro Atlanta BioScience Industry and Georgia Company Directory by Metro Atlanta BioScience Council

Campus Resources

Activities, Clubs and Honor Societies - http://www.publichealth.uga.edu/ehs/resources/ehs_activities.html

Environmental Health Science Club

Epsilon Nu Eta

Adopt-A-Stream and Adopt-A-Highway

Student Chapter, American Industrial Hygiene Association (AIHA)

Association of Teachers of Preventive Medicine

Gerontological Society

Strategies

- Learn to work well with a team of other professionals such as physicians, engineers, and scientists.
- Read related journals to stay abreast of new trends and legislation in the field.
- Gain experience through internships, part-time jobs, and volunteer opportunities.
- Join related professional organizations and build a network of contacts.

Employment Websites

The Environmental Careers Organizations

<http://www.eco.org>

Making the Difference (Federal Jobs & Internships)

<http://www.makingthedifference.org>

U.S. Office of Personnel Management

<http://www.opm.gov/>

Additional Resources

American Industrial Hygiene Association

<http://www.aiha.org/>

National Environmental Health Association

<http://www.neha.org/>

National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences

<http://www.niehs.nih.gov/>

National Center for Environmental Health

<http://www.cdc.gov/nceh/>

National Safety Council's Environmental Health Center

<http://www.nsc.org/ehc.htm>

The Association for Environmental Health and Sciences

<http://www.aehs.com/>

Georgia Environmental Health Association

<http://www.geha-online.org/>

Georgia Division of Public Health – Environmental Health & Injury Control

<http://www.ph.dhr.state.ga.us/programs/environmental/index.shtml>

Environmental Health & Safety Online

<http://www.ehso.com/contents.php>

Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry (SETAC)

<http://www.setac.org/>

Society of Toxicology (SOT)

<http://www.toxicology.org/>