

WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT

Division of Biological and Physical Sciences



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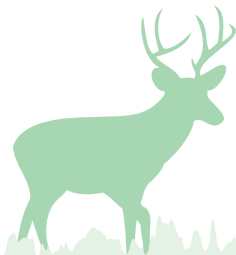
Delta State provides personal attention because of its size, relaxed small-city atmosphere, and commitment to serve you, the student. We are conveniently located about half way between Memphis, Tennessee and Jackson, Mississippi. Cleveland is a vibrant town and has been recognized as “one of the 100 best small communities” in the Nation and is also known as the ‘Crossroads of Culture in the Delta’. This places you, the Delta State student, in a safe, convenient, family-oriented environment.



Delta State now offers students a degree in wildlife management. The wildlife management concentration will offer students with career aspirations in natural resources as a new option at Delta State. Students will be trained for a career in wildlife management by using field, laboratory, and lecture settings. The field and laboratory settings will provide students the technical knowledge needed to be successful wildlife managers, while the lectures will provide them with historical, theoretical and practical information to succeed as a wildlife manager.



The wildlife management program is to address basic and applied questions in wildlife ecology, habitat management; human impact; and biodiversity conservation. This major combines a strong base in biological, physical, and social sciences with hands-on learning to prepare graduates to solve problems associated with consumptive and non-consumptive uses of wildlife resources.



Our wildlife management program offers academic preparation for certification by The Wildlife Society. Because the program provides many opportunities for interaction with professionals during the undergraduate years, most students find that they graduate well-connected when it comes to obtaining employment.



EXAMPLES OF COURSES AT DELTA STATE

- BIO 309 Environmental Regulations
- BIO 329 Wildlife Techniques
- BIO 312 Dendrology
- BIO 414 Environmental Geology
- BIO 439 Field Herpetology
- BIO 440 Evolution and Systematics
- BIO 459 Conservation Biology
- BIO 463 Wildlife Habitat Management
- BIO 461 Mammalogy
- BIO 462 Ornithology
- BIO 477 Wetland Ecology



WHAT IS THE MEDIAN INCOME FOR CAREERS IN WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT?

\$57,430 per year

(Bureau of Labor Statistics, May 2010)

Wildlife management is a rapidly emerging science and offers a variety of career opportunities. Some examples of career titles are:

- Wildlife Biologist
- Educator
- Conservation Biologist
- Policy Analyst
- Law Enforcement Officer
- Refuge Manager
- Environmental Economist





"I came from the largest delta in the whole world—the Ganges Delta—in Asia. Delta is formed at the mouth of a river and the soil originates in sediments left by flooding of the river. Settling down in the Mississippi delta was not a difficult task for me as I noticed many similarities between the two deltas situated in two very different geographical locations. Most of the similarities are related to their unique natural settings, agricultural practices, and social dynamics. The delta soil is considered as the best fertile soils to support rich biodiversity that lead to the increase in intensive farming practices in and around delta.

Wildlife management is the art and science of reaching goals by manipulating or maintaining wildlife habitats and populations. Wildlife professionals historically concentrated their efforts on wildlife in the natural settings. With the ever-growing human demand, it is becoming an important issue to understand how wildlife management and large-scale agricultural practices can be compatible."

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