While studying fisheries, wildlife, and conservation biology, you’ll learn about the care and management of wildlife, fish, or aquatic resources. This curriculum will give you a broad science background emphasizing biological and environmental sciences and other coursework needed for careers in fisheries, wildlife, conservation biology, and other natural resource and environmental fields. You’ll be prepared to research, plan, and implement the management, protection, and enhancement of fisheries and aquatic resources, wildlife resources, and biological diversity.

As a student in CFANS you’ll have exceptional research opportunities and interactive learning experiences. This major offers you classes that include field trips and multiple ways to learn while doing. You will select an area of specialization, usually by the end of sophomore year. Areas of specialization include conservation biology, fisheries, and wildlife. You are also able to add a pre-veterinary medicine emphasis with additional biology and chemistry courses.

This program will provide you with the fundamental science background needed to enter the workforce, as well as a wide variety of graduate programs in biological and natural resource sciences as well as professional programs in veterinary medicine, environmental law, and environmental education.

Student Experiences
Student Group Spotlight: Fisheries, Wildlife, and Conservation Biology Club

The Fisheries, Wildlife, and Conservation Biology (FWCB) Club promotes the development of fish, wildlife, and conservation enthusiasts. The FWCB Club sponsors social, vocational, and educational events to bring together individuals of similar interests, encourage networking, and keep members informed on current issues. Most importantly, the FWCB Club aims to prepare members for a career in the discipline by building field experience and fostering connections with future employers.

Learn more at: http://fwcbclub.cfans.umn.edu/.

Study Abroad Options

Learn more about study abroad options for Fisheries, Wildlife, and Conservation majors.

You might also explore

- Marine Biology Minor
- Biology, Society, and Environment
- Sustainable Systems Management
- Agricultural and Food Business Management
Animal Science  
Biology  
Environmental Sciences, Policy and Management

**Associated Careers**

Aquaculturists, Conservation Scientists, Environmental Inspectors, Environmental Scientists, Park Rangers, Preserve Managers, Wildlife Technicians