

PATHWAYS | FISHERIES: PRE-PROFESSIONAL TRACK

Bachelor of Science in Fisheries & Allied Aquaculture



COLLEGE OF
AGRICULTURE

COURSE SELECTION

FRESHMAN

- Acquaint yourself with the School of Fisheries and potential areas of emphasis. Recognize that Biology is the foundation upon which your Fisheries degree is built.
- Gateway Courses: FISH 1100 (FALL), BIOL 1020/21 AND BIOL 1030/31

SOPHOMORE

- At end of sophomore year students will choose their area of emphasis: Pre-Professional, Fisheries and Aquatic Resource Management, Aquaculture or Marine Resources.
- Gateway Courses: BIOL 3060 AND FISH 2100 (SUMMER)

JUNIOR

- Students choose coursework related to chosen area of emphasis. Think about obtaining an internship or Fisheries related research experience.
- Gateway Courses: FISH 5220 (FALL) AND FISH 5320/21 (SPRING)

SENIOR

- Complete upper level courses within your chosen area of emphasis. Complete research/internship experience. Students should be prepared to enter the workforce or advanced education with a skill set that will enable success in their chosen area of interest.
- Gateway Courses: FISH 5380 AND FISH 5510

ASK FOR ASSISTANCE

- Meet with your assigned faculty advisor each semester to discuss your major and academic plan.



Comer Hall, home of the College of Agriculture student advising.

- Academic Support provides several free resources to improve academic performance, including Study Partners, Supplemental Instruction and academic coaching. (auburn.edu/academic-support)

- Meet with a counselor in the Career Center to explore career options and receive individualized assistance.

- Work with the Career Center to update your resume and cover letter.

GAIN EXPERIENCE

- Check your "This Week on Ag Hill" and "Find Your Career" e-mails to learn about ways you can get involved and gain experience on campus.
- Use LinkedIn (linkedin.com/alumni) to identify past graduates in your major.
- Contact them to set up informational interviews and shadowing opportunities to gain further understanding of your major in the world of work.



- Consider traveling abroad. The college offers Study Abroad Scholarships to students studying abroad.
- Apply to the Ag Alumni Mentoring Program. Students get to take part in job shadowing opportunities, networking opportunities, and see first hand where your degree can take you.
- Pursue opportunities for an internship.
- Attend professional development events (Career Fairs, Etiquette Dinners, Workshops)
- Attend All Majors Career Expo (auburn.edu/career/events).
- Attend professional conferences and take part in industry tours.

GET INVOLVED

- Join the College of Agriculture Student Services Facebook page for college and major updates, and internship and job postings.
- The American Fisheries Society promotes professional development, outreach, and scholarship for students interested in fisheries or aquaculture.
- Volunteer! Seek out opportunities that cater to your interest and also challenge you to get out of your comfort zone.
- Join the American Society of Agronomy. Membership in the society is a valuable component of your professional career.
- Utilize AUIinvolve (auburn.edu/auinvolve) to identify organizations of interest, to attend meetings and enhance your resume.



- Pursue leadership roles in your organization to exercise and enhance your skills.
- Gamma Sigma Delta is the Honor Society of Agriculture. The organization is dedicated to recognizing your academic achievements.

CAREER PLANNING

AUBURN UNIVERSITY CAREER CENTER

303 MARY MARTIN HALL | [AUBURN.EDU/CAREER](http://auburn.edu/career)

The fisheries pre-professional option will equip you with a strong foundation in the biological and physical sciences as well as fisheries sciences. It will also prepare you for Auburn's College of Veterinary Medicine and other professional schools, including graduate school.

FISHERIES BIOLOGIST
MINIMUM EDUCATION: B.S.

ENTRY LEVEL SALARY RANGE: \$18.0K - \$32.0K

These are just three options out of many that fisheries majors pursue. For more career options be sure to check out "What Can I Do With a Major In..." on auburn.edu/career.

RESEARCH TECHNICIAN
MINIMUM EDUCATION: B.S.

ENTRY LEVEL SALARY RANGE: \$13.9K - \$40.0K

VETERINARIAN
MINIMUM EDUCATION: D.V.M.

ENTRY LEVEL SALARY RANGE: \$46.0K - \$65.0K



Mary Martin Hall, home of the Auburn University Career Center

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