

**CAREER PATHS with the Oregon Department of Agriculture**

Internal Services & Consumer Protection	Market Access & Certification	Natural Resources	Plant Protection & Conservation
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**PROGRAMS**

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 Animal Health . . . . . (503) 986-4680  
 Cannabis Coordination . . . . . (503) 986-4565  
 Commodity Inspection . . . . . (503) 986-4620  
 Confined Animal Feeding Operations . . . . . (503) 986-4700  
 Development & Marketing . . . . . (503) 872-6600  
 Food Safety . . . . . (503) 986-4720  
 Human Resources . . . . . (503) 986-4584  
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 Motor Fuel Quality . . . . . (503) 986-4670  
 Native Plant Conservation . . . . . (503) 986-4636  
 Noxious Weed Control . . . . . (503) 986-4621  
 Nursery & Christmas Tree Programs . . . . . (503) 986-4644  
 Pesticide & Fertilizer Programs . . . . . (503) 986-4635  
 Plant Health . . . . . (503) 986-4620  
 Soil & Water Conservation Districts . . . . . (503) 986-4700  
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**CAREERS WITH THE OREGON DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**



**AREAS OF STUDY**

Oregon Department of Agriculture Program Areas >	Admin Offices	Food Safety & Animal Health
<b>Business &amp; Administration</b>		
Accounting	x	
Business Management	x	x
Grant Administration		
Marketing/Communication	x	
Office Administration/Management	x	x
<b>Liberal Arts</b>		
Graphic Design/Publications	x	
Human Resources Management	x	
Journalism	x	
Political Science/Public Policy	x	
<b>Science &amp; Technology</b>		
Agricultural Science		
Agronomy/Crop Science		
Animal Science		x
Biology		x
Bioresource Research		x
Botany/Horticulture/Plant Physiology		
Chemistry		
Computer Science/IT	x	
Entomology		
Environmental Health		x
Environmental Science		x
Food Science and Technology		x
GIS Management		
Geology/Hydrology		
Lab Technology		x
Mathematics/Statistics		
Microbiology		x
Physics		
Plant Pathology		
Rangeland Science		
Soil Science		
Toxicology		x
Veterinary Medicine		x

## OUR MISSION

Ensure healthy natural resources, environment, and economy for Oregonians now and in the future through inspection and certification, regulation, and promotion of agriculture and food.

### WE VALUE...

- Honesty, integrity, and fairness
- Diversity, equity, and inclusion
- Respect for people and property
- Practical collaborative approaches to problem solving
- Science-based approaches: Technical and professional competence
- Transparency
- Quality customer service



## ADMINISTRATION PROGRAMS

### CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Agency or Program Area Director  
Cannabis Policy Coordinator  
Financial Services Manager  
Fiscal Analyst  
Human Resources Analyst  
Information Systems Support  
Policy Analyst  
Procurement & Contracts Specialist  
Public Affairs Specialist

### WHAT THEY DO:

Provide agency leadership • Develop agency policies • Lead legislative agenda • Track current industry issues • Develop budgets • Support agency employees • Set up contracts for services • Develop technology solutions • Coordinate training • Hire new employees • Manage financial services • Provide licensing • Work with media • Oversee website • Design publications • Meet with stakeholders

## INTERNAL SERVICES & CONSUMER PROTECTION PROGRAMS

### WHAT THEY DO:

Test scales for accuracy • Investigate complaints of weighing and measuring devices • Provide metrology services in mass and volume • Test the quality of motor fuel • Perform chemistry and microbiological testing for agency programs • Inspect commercial egg farms • Manage Wolf Depredation Grant Program

### CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Chemist  
Field Supervisor  
Laboratory Support  
Metrologist  
Microbiologist  
Quality Assurance Officer  
Weights and Measures Inspector

## FOOD SAFETY & ANIMAL HEALTH PROGRAMS

### WHAT THEY DO:

Respond to animal disease issues • Perform laboratory tests • Educate and advise veterinarians and animal owners • Trace and record animal brands • Ensure animal feeds are labeled correctly • Monitor Oregon's food manufacturers • Perform inspections • Help businesses design spaces for producing and handling food safely • Track food recalls • Measure shellfish biotoxin levels

### CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Animal Identification Supervisor  
Brand Inspector  
Food Safety Inspector  
Feed Specialist  
Field Operations Manager  
Lab Technologist  
Microbiologist  
Veterinarian

## MARKET ACCESS & CERTIFICATION PROGRAMS

### CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Certification Specialist  
Commodity Commission Program Manager  
Grant Program Manager  
Marketing Program Manager  
Plant Pathologist  
Shipping Point Inspector  
Trade Development Manager

### WHAT THEY DO:

Promote food and agricultural products in Oregon, the U.S. and overseas • Assist with trade and business development • Host buyers and businesses from other countries • Perform third party inspection and certification of agricultural products • Conduct field surveys • Sample seed and plant materials • Test plants and seed for pests and diseases • Manage grant program to support specialty crops • Provide oversight to commodity commissions

## NATURAL RESOURCE PROGRAMS

### CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Fertilizer Specialist  
GIS Specialist  
Grants Administrator  
Land Use Specialist  
Livestock Water Quality Specialist  
Pesticide Investigator  
Pesticide Registration Specialist  
Water Quality Specialist

### WHAT THEY DO:

Enforce the legal use and sale of pesticides • Oversee licensing for pesticide applicators • Register pesticides and fertilizer products • Assist local soil and water conservation districts • Use geographic information system (GIS) mapping to support program work • Help landowners protect water quality • Visit and assess confined animal feeding operations • Support the protection of farmland

## PLANT PROTECTION & CONSERVATION PROGRAMS

### WHAT THEY DO:

Identify agricultural pests and diseases • Ensure plant businesses are licensed and pest-free • Help protect and restore habitat for native plants • Survey for invasive pests • Develop plans to manage weeds to protect natural and agricultural resources • Create pest distribution maps • Implement projects to remove invasive species • Identify and photograph insects and spiders • Perform research and provide education

### CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Biological Control Specialist  
Conservation Biologist  
Digital Imaging Specialist  
Education Outreach Specialist  
Entomologist  
Grant Program Management  
Hemp Specialist  
Horticulturist