

Start thinking now about best preparing for your first job after graduation!

- **Qualifications in Education Field (B.A. or B.S.)**
 - Some positions like Director require Master's degree in environmental science and education
 - Proficient in Microsoft systems (especially Word)
 - Driver's license
 - CPR & AED certification in some positions
 - Wilderness First Aid in some cases
- **Qualifications in Restoration/Conservation (B.S. required in general)**
 - Ability to gain or possess a Pesticide/Herbicide license in state of Illinois
 - Ability to operate various power tools and other equipment
 - Understand prescribed burn techniques and/or burn certificate
 - Driver's license (and comfortable driving trucks and/or trailers)
 - Arborists
 - ISA Arborist Certification preferred/required for some positions as an arborist
 - I100/S130/S190 firefighter certification for some positions
- **Qualifications in Policy/Advocacy (B.A. or B.S.)**
 - Knowledge/experience in permitting processes
 - Usually prefer and/or require a master's/law (Juris Doctor) degree
 - With policy:
 - Need knowledge of major federal statutes & implementing regulations like CWA, CAA, NHPA, NEPA, etc.
 - Proficiency in Microsoft Office
 - Data analysis needed in some areas
 - CRM skills
- **Qualifications in Writing/Communication (B.A. or B.S.)**
 - Knowledge of other languages desirable
 - Proficiency in Microsoft Office programs
- **Qualifications in Energy/Engineering (B.S. only)**
 - Professional Engineer' license of state you reside in
 - Prefer Master's degrees
- **Qualifications in Environmental Science (B.S. only)**
 - Ph.D. usually required for research scientists
- **Qualifications in Gardening/Planting/Food (B.S. or B.A.)**
 - Prefer experience over degree in entry-level positions