



ECOLOGY CONSERVATION & MANAGEMENT

As a result of the greater value society has begun to place on natural resources and the environment, the Bureau of Labor Statistics projects an 8% job growth in wildlife management from 2016-2026. Careers include wildlife habitat manager, wildlife population manager, wildlife research ecologist, wildlife law enforcement officer and others.⁵



MEETING THE INDUSTRY NEED

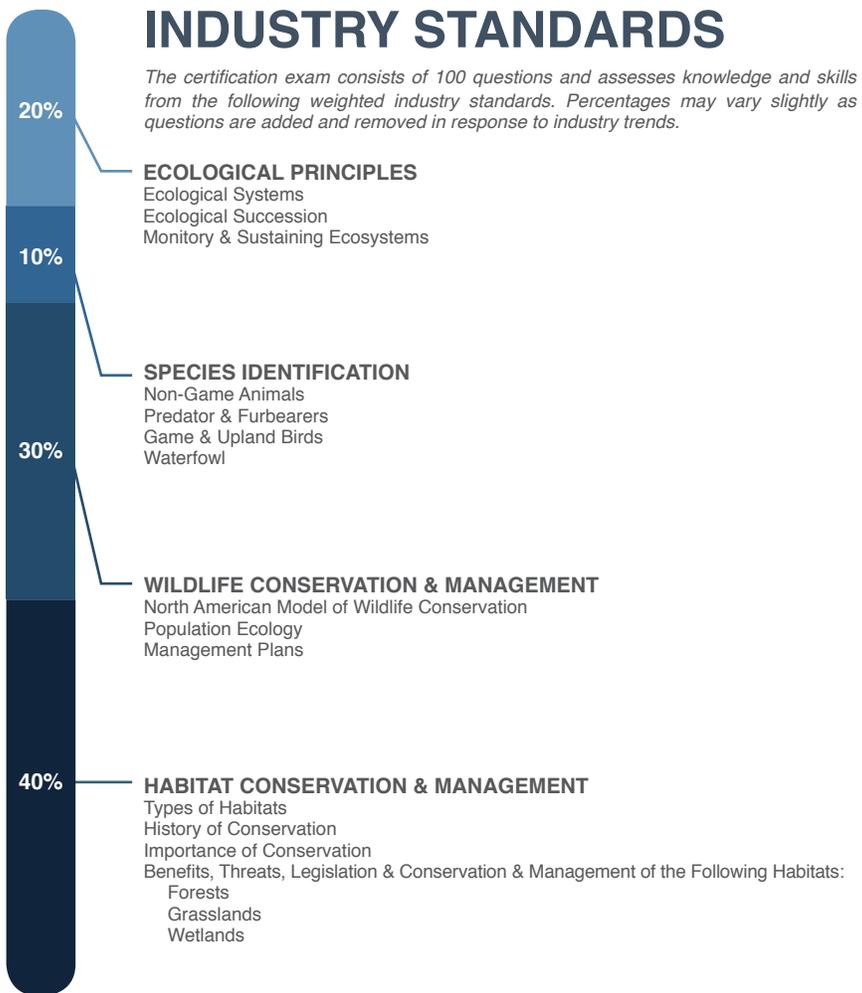
The Ducks Unlimited Ecology Conservation & Management Certification **verifies individuals have acquired a solid understanding of ecological principles.**

The certification **assesses industry-valued and industry-recognized standards produced by Ducks Unlimited**, the world's leader in wetlands and waterfowl conservation. Using a grassroots, volunteer-based organizational structure, Ducks Unlimited has built a successful partnership with private individuals, landowners, agencies, scientific communities and other entities to conserve, restore and manage North America's wetlands.

The certification **verifies that individuals have obtained exceptional knowledge and skills** in the areas of ecological principles and wildlife management, as well as habitat, forest, grasslands, wetlands and waterfowl conservation and management. Additionally, the certification allows employers to identify and connect with more skilled candidates, filling gaps in the labor market and jump-starting individuals' careers.

INDUSTRY STANDARDS

The certification exam consists of 100 questions and assesses knowledge and skills from the following weighted industry standards. Percentages may vary slightly as questions are added and removed in response to industry trends.



ABOUT DUCKS UNLIMITED

Ducks Unlimited Inc. is the world's largest nonprofit organization dedicated to conserving North America's continually disappearing waterfowl habitats. Established in 1937, Ducks Unlimited has conserved more than 14 million acres thanks to contributions from more than a million supporters across the continent. Guided by science and dedicated to program efficiency, DU works toward the vision of wetlands sufficient to fill the skies with waterfowl today, tomorrow and forever.

"It's important that students understand not only the conservation and ecology of wildlife and wildlife habitat, but also their personal roles as future stewards."

Mark Horobetz
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