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## CAREERS WITH THE OREGON DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE



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**OREGON  
DEPARTMENT OF  
AGRICULTURE**

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# 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

## Career opportunities

Agency or Program Area Director  
Cannabis Policy Coordinator  
Financial Services Manager  
Fiscal Analyst  
Human Resources Analyst  
Information Systems Support  
Legislative Coordinator  
Licensing Specialist  
Payroll and Benefits Coordinator  
Public Records & Rules Specialist  
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

# LABORATORY SERVICES

## WHAT THEY DO:

Identify agricultural pests and diseases • Identify and photograph insects and spiders • Perform diagnostic testing to monitor health status of production animals • Sample seed and plant materials • Test plants and seed for pests and diseases • Test seed for quality and condition • Provide metrology services in mass and volume • Test the quality of motor fuel • Perform chemistry and microbiological testing for agency programs • Measure shellfish biotoxin levels

## Career opportunities

Entomologist  
Chemist  
Digital Imaging Specialist  
Laboratory Support  
Lab Technologist  
Metrologist  
Microbiologist  
Taxonomist  
Quality Assurance Officer

## FOOD SAFETY & ANIMAL HEALTH

### WHAT THEY DO:

Respond to animal disease issues • Educate and advise veterinarians and animal owners • Inspect animal rescue entities • 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 • Sample shellfish for biotoxins

### *Career opportunities*

Animal Identification Supervisor  
Animal Rescue Entity Coordinator  
Brand Inspector  
Food Safety Inspector  
Feed Specialist  
Field Operations Manager  
Office Specialist  
Recall Compliance Manager  
Permit Clerk  
Veterinarian

## MARKET ACCESS & CERTIFICATION

### *Career opportunities*

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

### 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 • Manage grant program to support specialty crops • Provide oversight to commodity commissions • Test scales for accuracy • Investigate complaints of weighing and measuring devices

## NATURAL RESOURCES

### *Career opportunities*

Agricultural Water Resources  
Fertilizer Specialist  
Certification & Licensing  
Compliance or Enforcement  
GIS Specialist  
Land Use Coordinator  
Livestock Water Quality  
Pesticide Investigator  
Pesticide Registration  
Policy Specialist  
Program Analyst

### 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

### WHAT THEY DO:

Identify agricultural pests and diseases • Inspect plant businesses to ensure they 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 • Manage state registrations for growing hemp • Perform research and provide education

### *Career opportunities*

Biological Control Entomologist  
Conservation Biologist  
Education Outreach Specialist  
Entomologist  
Eradication Specialist  
Grant Program Coordinator  
Hemp Inspector or Specialist  
Horticulturist

# AREAS OF STUDY

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

# CAREER PATHS with the Oregon Department of Agriculture

Laboratory Services	Market Access & Certification	Natural Resources	Plant Protection & Conservation
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