Graduate Placement

Our alumni go on to careers in diverse fields of aquatic and environmental sciences. Below are a select number of alumni job placements which highlight the types of careers our students pursue, including work in environmental consulting, biology and ecology, water resources, and water technology.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency – ORISE Fellow (1 PSM alumna)
U.S. Geological Survey – Hydrologic Technician (1 PSM alumnus)
CH2M – Geologist (1 PSM alumnus)
Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources – Waukesha Diversion Policy Specialist (1 PSM alumnus)
Johns Hopkins University – Food System Lab Manager and Educator (1 PSM alumnus)
Natural Resource Technology – Environmental Scientist (2 PSM alumni)
Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife – Experimental Biologist (1 PSM alumnus)
Pentair Water Purification – Research and Development Engineer (1 current PSM student)
Racine Water Utility – Water Resources Specialist (1 PSM alumnus)
Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District – Project Manager: Sustainability, Research and Planning (1 PSM alumna, 1 current PSM student)
Graef USA – Wetlands Scientist (1 PSM alumnus)
National Association of Clean Water Agencies – Legislative Affairs Manager (1 PSM alumna)
Amec Foster Wheeler – Staff Geologist (1 PSM alumnus)
Alliance for the Great Lakes – Wisconsin Outreach Manager (1 current PSM alumnus)
Milwaukee Community Service Corps – Freshwater Division Supervisor (1 PSM alumna)
Badger Meter – Associate Engineer (1 PSM alumna)
Burns and McDonnell – Environmental Scientist (1 PSM alumnus)
Michel’s Corporation – Environmental Scientist (1 PSM alumna)
Arizona State Land Department – Water Resource Specialist III (1 PSM alumna)
Self-employed – Journalist, author, science communications entrepreneur (1 PSM alumnus)
Racine County Health Department – Research Assistant (1 PSM alumna, 1 thesis alumna)
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency – ORISE Fellow (1 thesis alumna)
Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources – Stream Ecologist (1 thesis alumnus)
The Nature Conservancy – Natural Infrastructure Fellowship (1 thesis alumna)
U.S. Geological Survey – **Hydrologist** (1 thesis alumna)
School of Freshwater Sciences – **PhD program** (2 thesis alumni, 1 PSM alumna)
Milwaukee Riverkeeper – **Water Quality Specialist** (1 thesis alumnus)
SEWRPC – **Research Analyst** (1 thesis alumna)
School of Freshwater Sciences – **Research Technician** (2 thesis alumni)
National Association of Clean Water Agencies – **Legislative Affairs Manager** (1 thesis alumna)
Racine County Health Department – **Research Assistant & Grants Coordinator** (1 thesis alumni)
The Wilderness Society – **Digital Content Producer for Energy and Climate** (1 thesis alumna)
Virginia Department of Environmental Quality – **Water Quality Monitoring Senior Scientist** (1 thesis alumnus)
Michigan Tech – **PhD program** (1 thesis alumnus)
Malawi Fisheries Research Station – **Director** (1 current PhD student)
WellIntel – **Science Lead** (1 PhD alumnus)
Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution – **Postdoc** (1 PhD alumnus)
University of Kentucky at Lexington – **Postdoc** (1 PhD alumna)
University of Colorado at Denver – **Postdoc** (1 PhD alumnus)

The School of Freshwater Sciences has also had three **Fulbright Scholars** and four **NOAA Sea Grant John A. Knauss Marine Policy Fellows** in just the past four years. Our most recent Knauss Fellows 2015 all spent a year in Washington, D.C.:

- NOAA – **Science Communications Specialist**
- NOAA – **Legislative Fellow, Senator Tammy Baldwin’s Office**
- US Navy, Office of the Oceanographer – **Policy Liaison**