

Dream Job Matrix

You've identified your top three EnviroCareer paths using the Pathfinder Worksheet in Step 1. Now you're ready to find out which one will lead you to your dream job. Use the Dream Job Matrix and EnviroCareers to research your top three EnviroCareer potentials to pinpoint the best match for you.

Dream Job Must-Haves

You know which EnviroCareers match your interests and preferences, but do you know what you must have from an EnviroCareer? Use the checklist below to decide the basic qualities an EnviroCareer "must have" to be your dream job.

1. In my dream job, I must earn at least:

- \$20,000 - \$35,000
- \$35,000 - \$40,000
- \$40,000 - \$60,000
- Over \$60,000

2. My dream job must let me work:

- Outdoors
- Indoors
- Both indoors and outdoors

3. My dream job should be located mostly in:

- An urban area (city)
- A rural area (within 200 km of a city)
- A remote area (more than 200 km from a city)

4. To reach my dream job, I'm willing to complete:

- High school diploma
- College diploma
- Bachelor's degree
- Master's degree
- Ph.D.
- Apprenticeship
- Other training:

**See the Tip Sheet [Understanding Education and Training Requirements](#) to find out what each choice involves.*

Stepping Stone 2: Getting Involved in the Environment

Now find out which of your top three EnviroCareer paths offer your dream job must-haves.

1. Record each of your top three EnviroCareers in the columns below.
2. Familiarize yourself with the Facts and Requirements column. (See the tip sheets listed after this matrix for more information on job research.)
3. Click on EnviroCareers and then on the link for your EnviroCareer 1. EnviroCareer and Enviro Role Model profiles containing information about the EnviroCareer will appear.
4. Explore EnviroCareers, collecting the information you need to complete each of the research categories in this matrix. Repeat for each top three EnviroCareer.

Facts and Requirements	EnviroCareer 1: Agricultural Technician	EnviroCareer 2: Conservation Biologist	EnviroCareer 3: Climate Change Specialist
1. -Minimum salary -Maximum salary	\$32,000.00 - \$68,000.00	\$38,000.00 - \$67,000.00	\$47,000.00 - \$72,000.00
2. Job duties I find most interesting (If there are none, say so.)	Talk to farmers and companies about sustainable soil practices and fertilizing applications	Study wildlife and birds	Analyze wind, rainfall, sunshine, temperature records, and emissions to chart climatic trends, adaptations, and impacts

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3. Things people doing the job like most about it	Planting and growing produce locally	Negotiating with community members over wildlife resource concerns	Making contributions to protect the environment
4. Things that interest me most about this job	Helping people in the agricultural industry	Participating in ecological and environmental impact studies	Using different methods to gather climate information
5. Minimum level of education or training required to get hired	High school diploma	Bachelor of science degree	Bachelor's degree in geology, geochemistry, physics, geophysics, meteorology, or related disciplines
6. Education options for obtaining work in this occupation (above and beyond the minimum requirements).	Bachelor of Agriculture degree	Master's degree or a Ph.D.	Master's degree or a Ph. D.
7. Special licences or certifications required	May require registration with professional associations	First aid, hazardous materials, and rock climbing	Registration or eligibility for registration with a related professional association
8. Working environment, (urban, rural, remote; indoors, outdoors)	Urban and rural Indoors and outdoors	Rural and remote Indoors and outdoors	Urban, rural and remote Indoors and outdoors
9. Financial assistance opportunities available	Henry Favel Scholarship, University of Saskatchewan. (\$1000.00) UGG Agricultural Scholarship NAAF	CASTS scholarships for Canadian Aboriginal students studying science The Suncor Energy Foundation "Shared Achievements" Aboriginal Scholarships	Undergraduate scholarship for student in final year, from the Canadian Meteorological and Oceanographic Society Great West Life and London Life Scholarships (between \$2000.00 and \$2500.00)
10. Things can I do to get started on this job path now	Take CPR and first aid	Take first aid, hazardous materials training and rock climbing classes	Take information technology courses

Making the Dream Job Match

Mark an X wherever one of your dream job Must-Haves appears. The job with the X's best matches your expectations. This is your dream job; circle or highlight it on the matrix.

Try the matrix again. You may find there are many Dream Jobs for you. The key is to eliminate the jobs that really don't suit you.

Additional Information

Tip sheets related to the matrix:

- [Understanding Education & Training Requirements ...](#) Clears up any questions about Category 5
- [Researching Education & Training Programs ...](#) Hot tips for investigating Category 6
- [Finding Financial Assistance ...](#) A must read for Category 9
- [Getting Related Experience ...](#) Great ideas for building on Category 10

Congratulations on finding your dream job! Now you're ready for the next step in the career planning process:

[Begin Your Journey](#) towards your dream job.