

What can I do with a major in

Physics & Natural Science

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The information below describes typical occupations and employers associated with this major. Understand that some of the options listed below may require additional training. Moreover, you are not limited to these options alone when choosing a possible career path.

Description of Physics & Natural Science

The Department of Physics & Natural Science offers degrees in Physics, Engineering Physics, and Natural Science. The Bachelor of Science degree in Natural Science requires a combination of courses from the three natural sciences (biology, chemistry, and physics). The Department also offers, in conjunction with the Department of Education, a five-year program leading to a Bachelor of Science in Natural Science, a Master of Arts in Teaching degree, and teaching licensure in Physics or Physics and Mathematics for grades 7 through 12.

As an Engineering Physics and Physics major you can participate in the activities of the Society of Physics Students, the National Student Association of the American Institute of Physics. Natural Science majors can participate in the activities of the Beta Beta Beta Biological Society, the Student Affiliate of the American Chemical Society, and the Society of Physics Students chapter of the American Institute of Physics.

The Department uses a combination of in-class instruction, in-class demonstrations, regular collected homework, computer-assisted homework and laboratory experiments to educate students in the workings of Nature. In addition to the courses in the Physics Department, you also have easy access to courses in the Chemistry, Mathematics and Computer Science Departments of the School of Sciences and to courses in the School of Engineering.

Possible Job Titles of Physics & Natural Science Graduates (Includes Full-Time, Internships & Co-Ops)

(*Jobs secured as reported by CBU Career Services post-graduate survey)

Aerospace Testing Astronomer Astrophysicist Analyst*

Biomedical Engineer* Cancer Field Technician*

Atomic Physicist Biophysicist

Cardiac Imaging Researcher Cell Phone Manager*

Geophysicist

Health Physicist Chemical Physicist

Engineer

Engineering Technician

Fluid Physicist Industrial Hygienist Medical Physicist Molecular Physicist **Nuclear Physicist Nuclear Plant Manager** Optical Devices Designer

Optical Physicist Particle Physicist **Physics Researcher** Naval Officer* **Physiognomist** Plasma Physicist Post-Doctoral Fellow

Programmer*

Professor

Research Technician* Research Physicist Satellite Data Analyst **Satellite Missions Analyst**

Safety Consultant Science Writer Seismologist Solid State Physicist Stratigrapher Teacher*

Technical Director* Vector Control*

Possible Employers and Employment Settings for Physics & Natural Science Graduates (Includes Full-Time, Internships & Co-Ops)

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Administration

Ahlberg Engineering, Inc.

Aircraft & instrument manufacturers

BUNAC*

Case Western Reserve*

Centers for Disease Control Chemical manufacturers

Defense manufacturing companies

Department of Health & Human Services

Educational Institutions

Electrical equipment companies

Engineering firms

Environmental Protection Agency

Food & Drug Administration

Government Agencies/Departments*

Health care facilities

Information/Technology companies

Jan Bell Marketing

Mississippi Teachers Corps*

NASA

National Bureau of Standards National Institutes of Health National Science Foundation Occupational Safety & Health

Technical consulting firms **Testing labs**

Patent Office

Production facilities

Scientific Journals

Teach for America*

Research and Development

Private & Non-Profit Organizations

Shelby County Health Department*

TSYS*

U.S. Air Force*

Skill Sets and Interests Associated with Physics & Natural Science Majors

Analytical Skills Problem-Solving Skills Communication Skills Time Management Skills

Top Career Services Resources for Physics & Natural Science Majors

Career Resources Library (Buckman 207) Handshake: http://cbu.joinhandshake.com Memphis Business Journal, Book of Lists

Find out what careers you might be a fit for you using:

TypeFocus: www.typefocus.com (Access Code: CBU8998)

CBU Campus Contacts Associated with Physics & Natural Science

CBU School of Sciences Cooper Wilson Center, First Floor (901) 321-3445

Additional Resources/Contacts for Physics & Natural Science Majors

American Institute of Physics (AIP): http://www.aip.org/ American Journal of Physics: http://www.amherst.edu/~ajp/

Physics Jobs On-Line: http://physicsweb.org/