Sustainable Food and Farming... Now What?

Quick Facts: Agricultural and Food Scientists

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<td>2020 Median Pay</td>
<td>$68,830 per year</td>
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<td>Entry-Level Education</td>
<td>Bachelor’s degree</td>
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<td>Work Experience in a Related Occupation</td>
<td>None</td>
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<td>On-the-job Training</td>
<td>None</td>
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<td>Number of Jobs, 2019</td>
<td>34,800</td>
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<td>Job Outlook, 2019-29</td>
<td>6% (Faster than average)</td>
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<td>Employment Change, 2019-29</td>
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What is Sustainable Food and Farming?

The Sustainable Food and Farming major allows students who are interested in the practical, social, political and scientific issues of sustainable agriculture and food systems to seek a broad exposure to this discipline in the liberal arts tradition. Students can tailor their individual programs to prepare for careers in sustainable farming, policy, advocacy, community outreach and education in topics related to crop production, food access, and hunger issues, as well as many others. Graduates will be qualified to compete successfully for a wide array of emerging careers in the growing field of sustainable food systems.

Career Planning Resources & Websites

UMass Amherst Career Services Events Calendar  [www.umass.edu/careers](http://www.umass.edu/careers)
UMass Amherst Sustainable Food and Farming  [https://stockbridge.cns.umass.edu/SFF-BS](https://stockbridge.cns.umass.edu/SFF-BS)
FOCUS2 Career and Education Planning  [www.umass.edu/careers/planning](http://www.umass.edu/careers/planning) for sign-in button
What Can I Do With This Major?  [www.umass.edu/careers/planning](http://www.umass.edu/careers/planning)

(BClick on “What Can I do with this Major” icon on the right-hand column.)

Massachusetts Career Information System  [http://masscis.intocareers.org](http://masscis.intocareers.org)

(Click Mass Resident to login with “Amherst/01003” Then click “Occupations” or “Assessments”)

Environmental Science.org  [www.environmentalscience.org](http://www.environmentalscience.org)
Huge List of Environmental Careers  [www.khake.com/page46](http://www.khake.com/page46)
Reports on Jobs in the Growing Green Economy  [www.findingearthworks.org/resources.htm](http://www.findingearthworks.org/resources.htm)
Sustainable Food and Farming Job and Internship Search Resources  (* = of particular note)

**UMass Amherst Specific Job Search Resources**
- * UMass Handshake Database of Internships & Jobs  
  [https://umass.joinhandshake.com/](https://umass.joinhandshake.com/)
- * UMass Amherst Dept of Environmental Conservation  
  [http://eco.umass.edu/for-current-students](http://eco.umass.edu/for-current-students)
- * UMass Amherst Local Sustainability Jobs/Internships  
  [www.umass.edu/sustainability/resources](www.umass.edu/sustainability/resources)

**Sustainable Food and Farming Jobs**
- * Stockbridge Career Net  
  [stockbridge.cns.umass.edu/career-net](stockbridge.cns.umass.edu/career-net)
- * CISA (local)  
  [buylocalfood.org/classifieds/job-opportunities/](buylocalfood.org/classifieds/job-opportunities/)
- Beginning Farmers Jobs  
  [beginningfarmers.org/employment/](beginningfarmers.org/employment/)
- Beginning Faremer Network Jobs  
  [http://www.bfnmass.org/jobs](http://www.bfnmass.org/jobs)
- Culinary Jobs  
  [https://jobs.iacp.com/](https://jobs.iacp.com/)
- Eastern Mass CRAFT List  
  [easternmasscraft.wordpress.com/resources/](easternmasscraft.wordpress.com/resources/)
- Eco-Farm Jobs  
  [http://eco-farm.org/jobs](http://eco-farm.org/jobs)
- Environmental Education  
  [https://naaee.org/eepro/jobs](https://naaee.org/eepro/jobs)
- Fair Trade Job Board  
  [fairtradefederation.org/fair-trade-job-board/](fairtradefederation.org/fair-trade-job-board/)
- Farm-based Education Jobs  
  [farmbasededucation.org/jobs/hajyw](farmbasededucation.org/jobs/hajyw)
- Good Food Jobs  
- New Entry Farmer Resources  
  [nesfp.org/about/employment-opportunities](nesfp.org/about/employment-opportunities)
- Southeastern Mass  
  [semaponline.org/category/jobs-opportunities/](semaponline.org/category/jobs-opportunities/)
- Southern US Farm Jobs  
  [https://www.ssawg.org/jobs](https://www.ssawg.org/jobs)
- Sustainable Agriculture Jobs  
  [sustainableaged.org/resources/job-listings/](sustainableaged.org/resources/job-listings/)
- UMass Career Services  
  [umass.edu/careers/jobsearch/listings](umass.edu/careers/jobsearch/listings)
- Work Abroad  
  [https://www.transitionsabroad.com/listings/work/shortterm/farm_jobs_agriculture.shtml](https://www.transitionsabroad.com/listings/work/shortterm/farm_jobs_agriculture.shtml)

**Green Job Sites**
- Environmental Career Opportunities (ECO)  
- Environmental Health & Safety Jobs  
  [http://ehscareers.com/search](http://ehscareers.com/search)
- Environmental Jobs and Careers (aggregator site)  
  [www.ejobs.org](www.ejobs.org)
- Environmental Jobs  
  [http://environmentaljobs.com](http://environmentaljobs.com)
- Green Collar Blog: Job Boards and Job Fairs  
  [www.ejobs.org/states](www.ejobs.org/states)
- Green Dream Jobs  
  [www.sustainablebusiness.com](www.sustainablebusiness.com)
- * Green Drinks Springfield (hub of local communities)  
  [www.facebook.com/GreenDrinksSpringfield](www.facebook.com/GreenDrinksSpringfield)
- * Green Jobs (store resumes & and apply through site)  
  [http://www.greenjobs.net/](http://www.greenjobs.net/)
- Green Job Search  
  [www.greenjobsearch.org](www.greenjobsearch.org)
- GreenBiz Jobs Board  
  [http://jobs.greenbiz.com](http://jobs.greenbiz.com)
- Global Vision International Careers Abroad  
  [www.careersabroad.co.uk/vacancies](www.careersabroad.co.uk/vacancies)
- * LinkedIn Green Job and Career Network  
  [www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=77194](www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=77194)
- * Massachusetts Clean Energy Center (Mass CEC)  
  [www.masscec.com/jobs](www.masscec.com/jobs)
- * MassCEC Post-Your-Resume Board  
  [www.masscec.com/resumes](www.masscec.com/resumes)
  (Create free account; post resume for employers to see; refresh every 6 months)
- * Massachusetts (State) Environmental Agencies  
  [www.mass.gov/eea/agencies](www.mass.gov/eea/agencies)
- National Environmental Health Assoc Job Board  
  [www.neha.org/job_center.html](www.neha.org/job_center.html)
- * USDA Natural Resources Conservation (by State)  
- * US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Jobs  
  [www.epa.gov/careers](www.epa.gov/careers)
- * USA Jobs (for ALL Federal Govt Jobs)  
  [www.usajobs.gov](www.usajobs.gov)

**General Science Jobs**
Professional Organizations  (* = of particular note)
Many professional organizations’ websites have career information on them. You can often use them to search for networking events, meet a mentor in your field of study, find current research, search for internships or jobs, and gain insight into what direction within the field you may wish to pursue.

Sustainable Food Trade Association  [https://www.sustainablefoodtrade.org/]
Consultative group on Int Ag Resaerch (CGIAR) [https://www.cgiar.org/]
EcoAgriculture Partners  [https://ecoagriculture.org/]
Feedback  [https://feedbackglobal.org/]
Foodtank  [https://foodtank.com/]
Institute for Agriculture & Trade Policy  [https://www.iatp.org/]
New Harvest  [https://new-harvest.org/]
Reducetarian Foundation  [https://www.reducetarian.org/]
Slow Food  [https://www.slowfood.com/]
The Sustainable Restaurant Association (THESRA)  [https://thesra.org/]
Soil Association  [https://www.soilassociation.org/]