Inspiring futures

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I am working on a three-year project, building the seed collections we have conserved from plants threatened in the UK.

I love that I am working with a purpose, safeguarding the UK’s flora for the future. The work is really varied and I meet many interesting people. I get to travel and spend time outside.

After my degree I spent time in the field doing plant surveys and volunteering, working in the ecological and conservation sector.

In winter/early spring I will be doing project work, planning and some lab work in how we germinate seeds. In summer I’m in the field making seed collections, training volunteers/partners or surveying/monitoring.

I have a degree and I have an MSc in Environmental & Ecological Management.
Everything we do at the MSB is based in science, from processes to prolong a seed’s life-span to experimental work seeking the optimal germination conditions.

I might be the first person to investigate and understand some of the species we are working with and that’s really exciting.

Get involved in whatever you are interested in, make contacts, keep learning. Ask for work experience wherever possible.

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