



# SAF Accredited and Recognized Technical Forestry Education Programs

The Society of American Foresters (SAF) first established guidelines for recognizing educational programs leading to a two-year associate degree in forest technology or the equivalent in 1971. In 2008, the SAF Council approved the *Standards, Procedures, and Guidelines for Accrediting Educational Programs in Forest Technology* for implementation on January 1, 2009. The Society of American Foresters has filed a letter of intent with the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) to seek a change of recognized scope of accreditation to include associate degree programs in forest technology. Until final action by the CHEA Board of Directors, the Society of American Foresters is recognized only for its current scope of accreditation approved May 2001. The current CHEA recognized scope of accreditation for SAF is as follows: Curricula leading to the first professional degree in forestry at the bachelor's or master's level.

During the period of transition from recognition to accreditation, the programs will fall into three categories based on their progress through the accreditation process. The categories are:

**Accredited** – Those institutions which have met all the requirements for accreditation of an educational program in forest technology and have received final approval from the SAF Committee on Forest Technology School Accreditation.

**Conditionally Accredited** – Those institutions that have an SAF recognized educational program in forest technology, have requested accreditation, and are awaiting an onsite review and final approval from the SAF Committee on Forest Technology School Accreditation. The scheduled date for the accreditation site visit is the second date listed after the contact name in the table below.

**Recognized** – Those institutions which have an SAF recognized educational program in forest technology and have not yet requested accreditation. The date recognition expires is the third date listed in the table below.

The institutions named below have requested either SAF accreditation or recognition and have certified that they offer programs that meet or exceed SAF minimum standards relating to objectives, curriculum, faculty, students, administration, parent-institution support, and physical resources and facilities. SAF accredited and recognized programs are periodically reviewed and are required to submit documentation showing compliance with minimum standards.

SAF accreditation or recognition of educational programs leading to a two-year associate degree in forest technology or the equivalent is not the equivalent of SAF accreditation of four-year professional forestry educational programs leading to a bachelor's or master's degree.

The first year shown in each entry indicates the year initial recognition status was granted; the second year indicates the year the accreditation site is scheduled or the last comprehensive recognition review was completed; and the third year indicates the year current recognition expires. Not all educational programs at these institutions are SAF recognized. Only those programs listed below lead to a SAF approved forest technology degree.

For further information, visit SAF website or contact the Mr. Terrance W. Clark, Director, Science and Education, Society of American Foresters, 5400 Grosvenor Lane, Bethesda, MD 20814-2198; (866) 897-8720 ext. 123; or [clarkt@safnet.org](mailto:clarkt@safnet.org).

## Institutions with an SAF Accredited Educational Program in Forest Technology

None as of JUNE 24, 2009

## Institutions with an SAF Conditionally Accredited Educational Program in Forest Technology

### California

Reedley College, Agriculture and Natural Resources Department, Reedley 93654. <http://www.reedleycollege.com/>. Contact: Jason Pinkerton. 1987. 2009. 2018. Forestry/Natural Resources Technology curriculum leading to an AS

### Georgia

Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College, Division of Agriculture and Forest Resources, Tifton 31794-2693. <http://stallion.abac.peachnet.edu/>. Contact: Rodney W. Brown. 1987. 2009. 2018. Forest Technology curriculum leading to an AAS

### Maine

University of Maine-Fort Kent, Forest Technology Program, Fort Kent 04743. <http://www.umfk.maine.edu/>. Contact: David Hobbins. 1998. 2009. 2018. Forest Technology leading to an AS

### Maryland

Allegheny College of Maryland, Forest Technology Program, Cumberland 21502. [www.allegheny.edu](http://www.allegheny.edu). Contact: Steven F. Resh. 1988. 2009. 2018. Forest Technology curriculum leading to an AAS

### Minnesota

Itasca Community College, Grand Rapids 55744-3397.  
<http://www.itasca.mnscu.edu/>. Contact: Brad Jones. 2003. 2009.  
2012. Natural Resources -Forestry option leading to an AAS

Vermilion Community College, Forest Technology Program, Ely  
55731, <http://www.vcc.edu/>. Contact: Jeff Nelson, Enrollment  
Services Director, 800-657-3608 ([j.nelson@vcc.edu](mailto:j.nelson@vcc.edu)) ask for the  
Natural Resources Technology Program-Forest  
Management/Wildlife option. 1990. 2010. 2010. Natural Resource  
Technology-Forest Management/Wildlife option leading to an AAS

### New Hampshire

University of New Hampshire, Thompson School, Durham 03824,  
<http://www.unh.edu/thompson-school/>. Contact: Matt Chagnon.  
1988. 2008.\* 2018. Forest Technology curriculum leading to an  
AAS

### Oregon

Central Oregon Community College, Forest Technology, Bend  
97701. <http://www.cocc.edu/>. Contact: Michael Fisher. 1987.  
2009. 2009. Forest Technology curriculum leading to an AAS

### Pennsylvania

Pennsylvania College of Technology, Forestry Department,  
Williamsport 17701. <http://www.pct.edu/>. Contact: Dennis  
Ringling. 1989. 2009. 2009. Forest Technology curriculum leading  
to an AAS

### South Carolina

Horry-Georgetown Technical College, Forestry Department,  
Conway 29528. <http://www.hgtc.edu/>. Contact: Brian J. Clark.  
1987. 2014. 2017. Forest Technology curriculum leading to an  
Associate in Agriculture

### Virginia

Dabney S. Lancaster Community College, Forest Technology  
Department, Clifton Forge 24422. [www.dslcc.edu](http://www.dslcc.edu/). Contact:  
Brigitte Parsons. 1990. 2010. 2010. Forest Technology curriculum  
leading to an AAS

### Washington

Green River Community College, Technology Division, Auburn  
98092, <http://www.greenriver.edu/>. 2000. 2010. 2010. Contact:  
Richard Hopkins. Natural Resources (forestry option) curriculum  
leading to an AAS

### West Virginia

Glenville State College, Department of Forest Technology,  
Glenville 26351. <http://www.glenville.wvnet.edu/>. Contact: C.  
Richard Sypolt. 1987. 2014. 2017. Forest Technology curriculum  
leading to an AS

\*Accreditation requirements completed in 2008. Final action  
pending.

## Institutions with an SAF Recognized Educational Program in Forest Technology

### UNITED STATES

#### New York

SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry, Forest Technology  
Program, Wanakena 13695, <http://www.esf.edu/rangerschool/>. Contact:  
Christopher L. Westbrook. 1985. 2005. 2015. Forest Technology leading to  
an AAS

Paul Smith's College of Arts and Sciences, Forestry Division, Paul Smiths  
12970, <http://www.paulsmiths.edu/>. Contact: Andrew Egan. 1985. 2005.  
2015. Forest Technology curriculum (Forest Technician and Forest  
Recreation options) leading to an AAS

#### North Carolina

Haywood Community College, Division of Natural Resources, Clyde  
28721, <http://www.haywood.edu/index.php>. Contact: Jim Hamilton. 1985.  
2006. 2016. Forest Management Technology curriculum leading to an AAS

#### Ohio

Hocking College, Forest Technology, Nelsonville 45764,  
<http://www.hocking.edu/>. Contact: Jerry Koger. 1986. 2007. 2016. Forest  
Technology curriculum leading to an AAS

#### Oklahoma

Eastern Oklahoma State College, Forestry Department, Wilburton 74578.  
<http://www.eosc.cc.ok.us/>. Contact: Edwin Woods. 1987. 2007. 2017.  
Forest Technology curriculum leading to an AAS

#### Oregon

Mt. Hood Community College, Forest Resources Technology, Gresham,  
OR 97030. <http://www.mhcc.edu/>. Contact: Joan M. DeYoung. 2002. 2002.  
2012. Natural Resource Technology Program-Forest Resource Option  
leading to an AAS

#### Pennsylvania

Pennsylvania State University-Mont Alto, Forest Technology Program,  
Mont Alto 17237, <http://www.ma.psu.edu/>. Contact: Craig T. Houghton.  
1986. 2007. 2016. Forest Technology curriculum leading to an AS

#### Washington

Spokane Community College, Natural Resources Department, Spokane  
99207. <http://www.scc.spokane.edu/>. Contact: Monica Spicker. 1987.  
2006. 2016. Natural Resources Program, Forestry Option leading to an  
AAS

### CANADA

#### New Brunswick

Maritime College of Forest Technology, Fredericton, NB E3C 2G6.  
<http://www.mcf.ca/>. Contact: Patrick J. McCarthy, R.P.F. 1986. 2007.  
2017. Forest Technology curriculum leading to leading to a Diploma

#### Newfoundland

College of the North Atlantic, Forest Resources Technology Program,  
Corner Brook, NF A2H 6H6. <http://www.cna.nl.ca/>. Contact: Brent  
Howell. 1999. 1999. 2009. Forest Resources Technician Program  
leading to a Diploma

#### Northwest Territories

Aurora College  
*Recognition status the Forest Technology Program expired on  
December 31, 2008*

