

Career Outlook 2019: Science Education

Science Education Programs Available at Bemidji State University:

Major: Science (B.S.): Teacher Licensure Grades 5-12

Specialties: Life Science; Chemistry; Physics; Earth and Space Science

Endorsement: Elementary Education (B.S.): Science

Department Website: <http://www.bemidjistate.edu/academics/departments/science>

EMPLOYMENT AREAS AND PROJECTED DEMAND:

There are a variety of areas for employment with a science education major, although most become teachers, either at the elementary or secondary level. The "Occupational Outlook Handbook" (OOH) reports that in 2016 there were 630,300 middle school teachers, and just over 1 million high school teachers. Employment of teachers is geographically distributed much the same as the population.

OOH reports that the nationwide demand for high school teachers is expected to grow as fast as average through 2026, with people established in their career generally earning between \$39,080 and \$95,380 per year. The median pay for 2017 was \$59,170 per year.

PLACEMENT INFORMATION FOR SCIENCE EDUCATION GRADUATES:

There are many career opportunities for the Bemidji State University Science graduates. Of the BSU 2016-2017 Science Education graduates, 100% reported obtaining related employment within one year of graduation. This does not include students who were not seeking employment, furthering their education, unavailable, or had unknown status.

PARTIAL LIST OF EMPLOYERS WHO HAVE REPORTED HIRING BSU SCIENCE EDUCATION GRADUATES*: (This list includes employment within one year of graduation for the years 2013 through 2017.)

Albert Lea School District	Teacher	Albert Lea, MN
Bigfork School District	Science Teacher	Bigfork, MN
Pierz School District	Science Teacher	Pierz, MN
Probstfield Center For Education	ECSE Teacher	Moorhead, MN
Robert J. Elkington Middle School	Science Teacher	Grand Rapids, MN
Roseau School District	7th Grade Teacher	Roseau, MN
Sauk Rapids-Rice School District	Middle School Science Teacher	Owatonna, MN
TrekNorth High School	Special Education Paraprofessional	Bemidji, MN
Voyageurs Expeditionary School Middle School	Science Teacher	Bemidji, MN

*Degrees alone do not get students jobs. Internships, summer jobs, volunteer work, part-time jobs, work-study positions, and active participation in student organizations on campus are all ways to become more competitive in a tight job market.

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For more information, contact Career Services; Decker Hall/218-755-2038/career@bemidjistate.edu

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