As an undergraduate studying animal science and technology, seek laboratory experiences such as research projects, volunteering with professors, summer jobs, or internships. Participate in research programs and internships sponsored by government organizations and private corporations. Consider a veterinary technician or technologist program accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) or a specialized master’s program to qualify for research or technical positions. Earn a master’s degree for greater variety and autonomy on the Earn a Ph.D. to work on high-level research projects, to direct research programs, to enter high levels of administration, and to teach at four-year post-secondary institutions. Postdoctoral fellowships may also be required.

Learn to work independently and as part of a team. Combine an undergraduate degree with a degree in business, law, education, communication and information science, or other disciplines to expand career opportunities. Participate in related clubs and competition teams. Become familiar with federal job application procedures for government work. Gain work experience in area of interest through internships, summer jobs or part-time work. Minimize risk if interested in management or self-employment. Minor in business if interested in management or self-employment. Participate in related clubs and competition teams. Become familiar with federal job application procedures for government work.

Develop excellent communication, organization and problem solving skills along with initiative. Take additional courses in interpersonal communication, public speaking and journalism. Prepare to work independently during irregular and/or long hours. Demonstrate motivation to reach sales quotas while maintaining a commitment to customer satisfaction. Seek extensive knowledge of merchandise for sale. Join related student organizations and competition teams and seek leadership roles. Develop excellent communication skills involving verbal, written and interpersonal. Obtain teacher certification, which varies by state, for public school opportunities. STRATEGIES ON ENTERING THE FIELD

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