Meteorology

The Meteorology Office is the largest recruiter of meteorologists specifically as forecasters. There is an increasing number of smaller companies establishing themselves as forecasting consultancies as the demand by businesses and organisations for accurate weather predictions and modelling increases. As a forecaster you are likely to work shifts because forecasts need to be provided around the clock, day and night. There are opportunities to work abroad either for the Met Office (e.g. Falklands), the Antarctic Survey or for the MoD at one of their sites. There are also roles in weather research, studying the impact of weather on the environment, researching weather patterns and models of weather prediction applying mathematical modelling. Useful degree disciplines to enter this career area are meteorology, mathematics, physics, computer science, physical geography and environmental science.

Key Resources

Prospects Sector briefing
This outlines the sector as a whole and the jobs within it and includes a couple of interesting case studies

The Meteorology Office
Contains current research, weather forecasts, job vacancies and internship opportunities

The Royal Meteorology Society
The Professional body for meteorologists with a great careers section including a list of accredited degree and Masters that they recognise

Weather Action

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- The Environment
- Options with...Meteorology