

## Options with a degree in Geography

### What skills will you develop?

Geography graduates are able to:

- demonstrate advanced communication skills using diverse methods
- work effectively in a team
- apply, interpret and use numerical and statistical data
- evaluate and integrate multiple types of qualitative and quantitative data
- work independently, having self-motivation and self-reliance
- demonstrate planning and problem-solving skills
- know how to plan and manage their own learning
- conduct laboratory and field-based research
- manage their time and meet deadlines

**These are just a sample of jobs where a Geography degree would be a useful background or relevant first step prior to further training or study.**

- Cartographer
- Education and travel consultant
- Environmental consultant
- Geographical information systems officer
- International aid/development worker
- Journalist
- Land surveyor
- Landscape architect
- Nature conservation officer
- Secondary school teacher
- Social development advisor
- Sustainability consultant
- Tourism officer
- Town planner

## What other career options are there?

Many employers seek graduates with a good degree (usually a 2.1 or higher), and over 80% of employers don't have a preference for the subject studied. However, Geography graduates are well known and sought after for their versatility. These are some of the areas you could consider. Some of these will involve further study or training:

- Administration
- Management
- Civil service
- Local government
- Law
- Human Resources
- Recruitment
- Banking
- Accountancy
- Finance
- Insurance
- Hospitality
- Events management
- Public relations
- Marketing
- Sales
- Advertising
- Charity and voluntary work
- Tourism

**For more information about different sectors and job roles, including career-planning tools, the following websites are helpful:**

[Prospects](#)

[Targetjobs](#)

[National Careers Service](#)

[All About Careers](#)

[Royal Geographical Society](#) (with IBG)

## Further study

Geographers often choose further study to specialise in an area such as environmental conservation, development, geographical information systems, and meteorology or water resources. If you are interested in continuing your studies past graduation, then we are here to help you get started. The University of Cumbria offers a discount on postgraduate fees (not PGCE) to eligible graduates of UoC, or any of its legacy institutions.

## Other useful sources of advice

[Targetpostgrad](#)

[Get into Teaching](#)

[FindAMasters](#)

## What help is available from the University of Cumbria?

The Careers and Employability Service can support you with your career planning throughout your time at university, and for up to three years after you graduate. During this time, you can access our career hub, [My Career Enriched](#), which enables you to:

- search for graduate jobs, part-time work, work experience, placements and paid internships
- book one-to-one advice and guidance appointments
- book a practice interview
- book onto employability events
- access the CV/application review service

We also offer practical workshops on a range of employability topics, as well as advice and information about further study.

Students with a disability or health condition can request information and advice on finding disability confident employers, how to declare a disability, applying for work, and requesting adjustments in the recruitment process.

Access our range of careers information and resources on [My.Cumbria.ac.uk](http://My.Cumbria.ac.uk)

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