

Options with a degree in Primary Education

What skills will you develop?

Primary Education graduates are able to:

- present ideas and arguments in an engaging way; and either formally or informally
- communicate clearly in writing
- show sensitivity and understanding
- work collaboratively with other professionals
- organise material in a logical, creative and coherent way
- use information technology to store, retrieve and produce learning materials
- plan, deliver and evaluate teaching and learning

[Job Profile: Primary Education Teacher \(Prospects\)](#)

[Job Profile: Primary Education Teacher \(National Careers Service\)](#)

Most Primary Education graduates work as teachers in schools, but there are other options where a degree in education would be a useful background or relevant first step prior to further training or study:

- Academic/school librarian
- Careers advisor
- Community education officer
- Early Years teacher
- Education administrator
- Education welfare officer
- Educational psychologist
- English as a foreign language teacher
- Family care worker
- Higher education lecturer
- Museum education officer
- Nursery manager
- Online tutor
- Outdoor educator
- Play worker
- Researcher
- Social worker
- Student welfare officer
- Support worker

What other career options are there?

Many employers seek graduates with a good degree (usually a 2.2 or higher), and over 80% of employers don't have a preference for the subject studied. These are some of the areas you could also consider. Some of these will involve further study or training:

- Accountancy
- Administration
- Advertising
- Banking
- Charity and voluntary work
- Civil Service
- Events management
- Finance
- Hospitality
- HR
- Insurance
- Law
- Local government
- Management
- Marketing
- Politics
- Public Relations
- Recruitment
- Sales and retail
- Tourism

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

[Prospects](#)

[National Careers Service](#)

[Targetjobs](#)

[Allaboutcareers](#)

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.

The Careers and Employability Service 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](https://my.cumbria.ac.uk)

Other useful sources of advice:

- [Children & Young People Now](#)
- [FindAMasters](#)
- [Get into Teaching](#)
- [National Day Nurseries Association \(NDNA\)](#)
- [Pre-school Learning Alliance](#)
- [Targetpostgrad](#)
- [TES](#)
- [NASUWT](#)
- [NUT](#)

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