

Options with a degree in Youth and Community

What skills will you develop?

Youth and Community graduates are able to:

- present ideas and arguments verbally and in writing; and either formally or informally
- work collaboratively with others in team, group and community work
- identify and propose solutions to problems through interventions
- work independently
- develop research skills
- organise material in a logical and coherent way
- use information technology to store, retrieve and produce material for course work
- plan, deliver and evaluate projects and interventions
- work in multi-disciplinary teams
- deliver anti-oppressive practice
- work professionally within legal, ethical and professional frameworks
- deliver evidence based practice

These are just a sample of jobs where a Youth and Community degree would be a useful background or relevant first step prior to further training or study:

- Advice worker
- Careers advisor
- Community development worker
- Community education officer
- Education welfare officer
- Family care worker
- Further Education teacher
- Higher Education lecturer
- Learning mentor
- Police officer
- Probation officer
- School teacher
- Social worker
- Support worker
- Teaching assistant
- Youth offending team officer
- Youth worker

What have recent Youth and Community graduates gone on to do?

- Domestic Abuse Outreach Support Worker, Impact Housing
- Youth Worker, Flooks4Youth
- Young Persons Support Worker, Project John
- Community Support Worker, Lancashire Country Council
- CSE Prevention Advisor, Fylde Coast Women's Aid
- Support Worker, Brithers of Charity Care Services
- Support Worker, High Peak School
- Residential Care Worker, The Spinney Care Home
- Student Mentor, Lakes College
- Youth Development Worker, Trinity Youth and Children's Project
- Participation Worker, Lancashire County Council
- MA study

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:

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

Other useful sources of advice

[Targetpostgrad](#)

[FindAMasters](#)

[Children & Young People Now](#)

[National Youth Agency](#)

[HM Prison & Probation Service](#)

[British Association of Social Work](#)

[Health and Care Professions Council](#)

[Get into Teaching](#)

[Policenow](#)

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