Career Opportunities

Choose a career with no limits

Human Geographers are employed by all levels of government, by private consulting firms, by many industrial and retail businesses, and by the non-profit sector. There are many opportunities both domestically and internationally. Many graduates have careers that allow them to travel.

Skill Development

- Qualitative and quantitative research skills
- Professional and academic writing skills
- Geographic Information Systems (GIS)
- Policy Analysis
- Community consultation skills
- Public presentation skills
- Landscape analysis

Professors actively seek to empower

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- Fatme, Class of 2019

Human Geography

A branch of social science that focuses on the relationships between human societies and the built and natural environments in which they operate.

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Entrance Requirements

1. English Language Arts 30-1

2. Four subjects from: Biol 30; Chem 30; an approved 30-level Fine Arts Course (only one Fine Arts course may be presented); Aboriginal Studies 30; Soc Studies 30-1; Math 30-1 or 30-2; Math 31; Physics 30; Science 30; Comp Sci - Advanced Level CTS (5 credits); 30-level language other than English.

Details: [uofa.ca/admissions](http://uofa.ca/admissions)

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Topics of Study

- Healthy Environments
- Housing Policy
- Sustainable Communities
- Environmental Policy
- Urban Studies
- Responses to Hazards
- Resource Conservation

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