BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA)

HUMAN GEOGRAPHY

We focus on the relationships between human societies and the built and natural environments in which they operate. If you’ve ever wondered how to build better cities and healthier, more sustainable communities, Human Geography could be for you!

WHAT CAN I DO WITH A HUMAN GEOGRAPHY DEGREE?

I COULD BE A... research analyst, project manager, GIS specialist, housing policy advisor, sustainability co-ordinator, international trade consultant.

OR WORK IN... government, non profit, business, or community sectors.

TOP 5 REASONS TO STUDY HUMAN GEOGRAPHY

1. Gain an understanding of the diverse peoples, places, and cultures that make up our world and the shared challenges we face.
2. Acquire first-hand experience of the world through experiential learning and our fourth-year field school.
3. Work with leading geographers to learn about real-world issues and challenges in areas such as housing, hazards, and health.
4. Develop skills in Geographical Information Systems (GIS) and learn how to use spatial data to identify problems and propose solutions.
5. Pursue your curiosity by collecting and analyzing data, writing for diverse audiences, giving public presentations, and working in collaborative teams.

ENSURE YOUR DEGREE

ADD A CERTIFICATE IN:
- Sustainability
- International Learning
- Community Engagement and Service-Learning
- Interdisciplinary Leadership Studies

LEARN OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM:
- Arts Work Experience
- Community Service-Learning
- Study Abroad
- BA Honors in Human Geography

OFFERS COURSES IN...
- Cities and urbanism
- Natural resources
- Environmental hazards, management, and policy
- Culture and society
- Economic geography
- Health and well-being
- Research methods
- Geographical Information Systems (GIS)

COURSE REQUIREMENTS FOR YOUR MAJOR

Complete your major requirements and test out different classes. Design your academic plan — you’re in control!

MAJOR COURSE REQUIREMENTS:
- EAS 100
- HGP 100
- At least three of
  - EAS 221
  - HGP 240
  - HGP 250
  - HGP 252
- At least one of
  - HGP 341
  - HGP 342
  - HGP 399
- Two courses in HGP at the 400-level

To verify your Major and BA Common Requirements, check the University Calendar and speak to an advisor.

WE ARE ALL TREATY PEOPLE

The University of Alberta respectfully acknowledges that we are situated on Treaty 6 territory, traditional lands of First Nations and Métis people.

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Volunteer or get a part-time job with a non-profit or government agency.

Apply to Arts Work Experience to strengthen your technical and transferrable skills and gain paid, professional experience before you graduate.

Join GAPSS, the Geography and Planning Student Society.

Take your two required Language Other than English courses!

Join one of the cultural clubs on campus or volunteer with University of Alberta International.

Take HGP 100 and EAS 100; plan your degree path and meet your advisor.

Add research to your degree with HGP 399, the Undergraduate Research Initiative, or BA Honors!

Learn more about Indigenous peoples, perspectives, and worldviews.

Ready to toss your cap in the air? Apply to graduate!

Let the Career Centre support you in communicating your skills and experience to prepare you for the next step.

Participate in our HGP 499 field school.