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.

ENHANCE 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
• HGEO 100
• At least three of
  • EAS 221
  • HGEO 240
  • HGEO 250
  • HGEO 252
• At least one of
  • HGEO 341
  • HGEO 342
  • HGEO 399
• Two courses in HGEO at the 400-level

BA HUMAN GEOGRAPHY

Required Human Geography Courses (Major)
• BA Basic Requirements
• Second Major, Minor(s), Certificates, Electives

STUDENT SUPPORTS

These are services that enable you to pursue academic and personal success.
• Academic advising
• Student Ombuds
• Indigenous Student supports
• Academic support
• Health & Wellness
• Campus Food Bank
• Libraries
• International Student supports
• Accessibility Resources
• Financial Aid & Awards
• Professional & Career Development
• Mental Health Supports

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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Your University experience is about what happens inside and outside of the classroom. This map is a tool to help you complement your academics with hands-on learning outside of the classroom and take advantage of student activities. Each new step will help you explore your options, take measured risks, and inform your next step. Being informed and engaged leads to a richer journey throughout your degree and beyond!

**EARLY DEGREE**
Expand your career options, be proactive, and test possibilities. Join a student group.

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.

**MID-DEGREE**
Take risks, try new things, ask for and offer help to people you know and people you meet.

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

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

**LATE DEGREE**
Develop and revise your career story based on your values, interests, and what you learn.

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

Present your work at a conference or publish it in a student journal.

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

**BUILD YOUR NETWORK**
Learn more about Indigenous peoples, perspectives, and worldviews.

Participate in our HGEO 499 field school.

**LEGEND**
- GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE
- GAIN EXPERIENCE
- SEEK OUT CONNECTIONS
- NAVIGATE COURSES