



GEOGRAPHY ROUTES

SUBJECT PATHWAYS

CAREERS

Many careers directly related to geography require higher education - and sometimes post graduate - qualifications. They include:

- Cartographer
- Environmental consultant
- Geographical information systems (GIS) officer
- Teacher / lecturer
- Town planner

There are a number careers where geography is useful although there may be other entry requirements too, particularly in maths and sciences. They include:

- Conservation officer
- Countryside ranger
- Estate manager
- Forester
- General practice surveyor
- Geoscientist
- Geotechnician
- Landscape architect
- Land / property valuer
- Land surveyor
- Logistics manager
- Meteorologist
- Mineral surveyor
- Transport planner / manager
- Surveying technician
- Tourism officer
- Waste management officer

SKILLS

Studying Geography can also help you develop wider skills such as:

- Analysis and reasoning
- Communication
- Data handling
- IT
- Organising
- Problem solving
- Research
- Report writing
- Teamwork
- Time management
- Understanding other points of view
- Using numbers
- Working independently

These skills are needed for many jobs at different levels and with a range of entry routes, including apprenticeships and higher education. Here's a selection:

- Agricultural engineer
- Auctioneer
- Civil engineer
- Civil engineering technician
- Customer service assistant
- Digital marketing officer
- Ecologist
- Electrician
- Energy engineer
- Estate agent
- Estate worker
- Events manager
- Facilities manager
- Farm manager / worker
- Fisheries officer
- Florist
- Greenkeeper
- Grounds person
- Horticultural worker
- Journalist
- Marketing officer / assistant
- Merchant navy officer
- Offshore roustabout
- Plumber
- Police officer
- Public relations officer
- Quantity surveyor
- Recycling officer
- Solar panel installer
- Tree surgeon

DID YOU KNOW?

NBA player Michael Jordan, fashion designer Wayne Hemingway, Olympic and World Champion rower Matthew Pinsent and Prince William all studied geography at university!

ROUTES

There are different routes into many careers, including full time study, apprenticeships and higher education. Higher and degree apprenticeships are being developed in sectors such as built environment, facilities management, quantity surveying and more. These involve working for a wage while you study for university level qualifications.

You need a good spread of subjects alongside geography, particularly English, maths and sciences. For some geography degrees you may need these at GCSE A*-B (or 9-6 / 9-5).

If you're passionate about the environment, renewable energy is a growing industry and low carbon is a key work sector in the Sheffield City Region. There is a range of careers in this sector, from energy engineering to business, finance, marketing and PR. Some of them require good maths and sciences.

FIND OUT MORE

For more job ideas, visit nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk/youngpeople then follow links to 'Aged 13-19' and 'Do something you're good at'.

If you're thinking about higher education, visit: www.prospects.ac.uk to see what art and design graduates have done after their degree.

Other websites

ccskills.org.uk

creativeskillset.org

sheffieldfutures.org.uk

ucasprogress.com

ucas.com

icould.com

lantra.co.uk

euskills.co.uk/

careers.energyinst.org