What can I do with a Major in Archeology & Geography?

Skills Developed

- Ability to Summarize Research Findings
- Acute Awareness & Observation
- Analytical Reading
- Artifacts Analysis
- Attention to Detail
- Careful Record-Keeping
- Communication
- Computer
- Critical Problem Solving

- Cross-Cultural Understanding
- Curious & Self-Motivated
- Data Analysis & Interpretation
- Data Collection
- Deriving Knowledge From Artifacts
- Detail-Oriented
- Information Management

- Interest in the Natural World
- Knowledge of Fieldwork Methods
- Logical Thinking
- Patient
- Recognizing Cultural Differences & Similarities
- Research Ability
- Visualize Abstract Forms

Work Environments

The Archaeology & Geography program provides a strong and diverse background for further study at the graduate level, while also providing training for employment as a field archaeologist. Graduates of this program also work in a wide range of industries such as consulting firms, environmental/
engineering companies, firms specializing in archaeological investigation, urban and city planning offices, nature centers, natural history or history museums, historical sites/homes, art galleries, libraries, historical societies, research/education institutions, records administration corporations, non-profit organizations, social services agencies, cultural heritage organizations or freelance/self-employed.

Archaeology & Geography graduates are employed in a variety of positions including positions in archaeological assessment, consulting, historic or cultural resource management, field archaeology or parks and national historic sites. Graduates may also be employed as conservators, exhibit directors, museum curators, museum technicians, or interpreters.

**Key Areas of Specialization:**

**Entry Level Job Titles**

These jobs are normally intended for new graduates and require 0 to 2 years of experience. It is important to note that many entry level positions require *some* related experience or demonstrated ability to perform job-related tasks. Even those positions that do not *require* experience will still prefer an experienced candidate, if one is available.

- Archaeology & Environmental Science Coordinator
- Archaeology & Tourism Specialist
- Archaeology Fieldworker
- Archives Assistant
- Cultural Resource Technician
- Curatorial Assistant
- Customer Service Representative
- Exhibit Assistant
- Heritage Presenter
- Historical Interpreter
- Host/Hostess at Museum
- Junior Field & Archaeological Technician
- Museum Research Technician
- Park Interpreter
- Program Coordinator/Assistant
- Research Assistant
- Survey Interviewer
- Volunteer Coordinator

**Note:** The U of L offers various resources and programs to facilitate students in gaining work and volunteer experience. Find an entry level position on the CES job board or join the Management or Arts & Science Cooperative Education Programs. Summer jobs, part-time work, internship positions and volunteer experience help students to enhance their skillset and accumulate work experience for their future career.

**Related Job Titles**

These jobs generally require extensive, relevant work experience and/or further education.

- Agricultural Planner
- Archaeobotanist
- Archaeological Field Technician
- Archaeological Lab Technician
- Archaeological Project Manager/Field Director
- Archaeological Surveyor
- Archaeologist
- Archaeozoologist
- Archival Clerk/Manager/Assistant
- Archivist
- Cartographer
- Census Geographer
- Coastal Zone Specialist/Manager
- Community Developer
- Conservator
- Contract Archaeologist
- Cultural Resources Specialist
- Curator
- Demographer
- Demographic Analyst
- Drafts person
- Dredging Technician
- Earth Scientist
- Ecologist Industrial Planner

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• Environmental Assessment Officer
• Environmental Impact Specialist
• Ergonomist
• Foreign Area Study Consultant
• Forest Program Outdoor Educator
• Geographer
• Geographic Area Specialist
• Geographical Laboratory Assistant
• Geologist
• Geomatics Field Supervisor
• Geomatics Project Supervisor
• Geophysics Assistant
• Geospatial Application Analyst
• Geospatial Data Analyst
• Hazardous Waste Planner
• Historian
• Historical Prevention Officer
• Historical Site Coordinator
• Historical Site Interpreter
• Hydrologist
• Impact Analyst
• Interpretive Naturalist
• Land Surveying – Crew Chief
• Land Surveyor
• Land-Use Analyst
• Map Editor
• Museum Collections Manager
• Museum Curator
• Museum Director
• Museum Technician
• National Historic Sites/Park Interpreter
• Natural Resources Specialist
• Paleontologist
• Park Ranger
• Physical Scientist
• Policy Advisor
• Project Manager, Geomatics Section
• Public Education and Outreach Coordinator
• Public Utility Specialist
• Regional Archaeologist
• Research Archaeologist
• Research Assistant
• Soils Specialist
• Tourism Developer
• Traffic Manager
• Transportation Analyst
• Urban & Regional Planner
• Water Resources Specialist
• Weather Forecaster
• Weather/Climate Specialist

Thinking Outside the Box: Other Possibilities

On average, people change their career three to five times in their lifetime. So, no matter what major you choose, you may still be interested in opportunities totally unrelated to your program of study. We encourage you to be open to all possibilities! Your undergraduate degree can be a springboard for other educational pursuits, and your transferable skills and experience can prepare you to work in a multitude of settings.

• Aboriginal Affairs - Traditional Studies Specialist
• Aboriginal Engagement Manager
• Alternative Energy Technologist
• Building Inspector
• Business Development Manager
• Captioner and Court Reporter
• Career Development Professional
• Civil Litigator
• Collections Manager
• Communication Specialist
• Community Planner
• Computer Programmer
• Data Miner
• Economist
• Education Counsellor
• Enterprise Architect
• Exhibit Director
• Fish & Wildlife Officer
• Foreign Service Officer
• Forester
• Geneticist
• Geo-database Product Engineer
• Gerontological Specialist
• GIS Sales Specialist
• Graphic Designer
• Human Resources Professional
• Immigration Officer
• Insurance Claim Adjuster
• Intelligence Agent
• Internal Auditor
• International Business Representative
• Lawyer
• Librarian
• Licensed Surveyor
• Manager/Owner
• Surveying Business Representative
• Mining Engineering Technician
• Paralegal
• Planner
• Police Officer
• Private Investigator
• Property Manager
• Public Relation Representative
• Reporter
• Researcher
• Solution Architect – Commercial Officer
• Solution Software Developer
• Stakeholder Specialist
• Statistician
• Tour Director
• Travel/Tourism Guide
• University Professor
• Volunteer Coordinator
• Webmaster
• Wildlife Manager
• Writer/Author/Editor

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### Useful Resources

Recommended websites to assist in exploring the field of Archaeology & Geography, and their career opportunities.

- **Canadian Archaeological Association**  
- **Canadian Museums Association (CMA)**  
  [http://www.museums.ca/](http://www.museums.ca/)
- **Canadian Anthropology Society (CASCA)**  
  [http://www.cas-sca.ca](http://www.cas-sca.ca)
- **Alberta Culture – Historic Resources Management**  
  [http://culture.alberta.ca/heritage/resourcemanagement/default.aspx](http://culture.alberta.ca/heritage/resourcemanagement/default.aspx)
- **Canadian Museum of History**  
  [http://www.historymuseum.ca/](http://www.historymuseum.ca/)
- **Canadian Museum of Nature**  
  [http://www.nature.ca/](http://www.nature.ca/)
- **Canadian Cartographic Association**  
  [http://www.geog.ubc.ca/cca/](http://www.geog.ubc.ca/cca/)
- **Archaeological Society of Alberta**  
- **The Canadian Society for Mesoamerican Studies**  
  [http://www.csms.ca/](http://www.csms.ca/)
- **Parks Canada – Archaeology**  
- **Royal Alberta Museum**  
  [http://www.royalalbertamuseum.ca/](http://www.royalalbertamuseum.ca/)
- **Library and Archives Canada (LAC)**  
  [http://www.collectionscanada.gc.ca](http://www.collectionscanada.gc.ca)
- **British Columbia Association of Professional Archeologists**  
  [http://www.bcapa.ca/](http://www.bcapa.ca/)
- **Intellectual Property Issues in Cultural Heritage**  
  [http://www.sfu.ca/ipinch](http://www.sfu.ca/ipinch)
- **Society for American Archaeology**  
- **Archaeological Institute of America**  
  [http://www.archaeological.org/](http://www.archaeological.org/)
- **Association of Consulting Archaeologists**  
- **Gogeomatics Canada**  
  [http://www.gogeomatics.ca/](http://www.gogeomatics.ca/)

### Campus Resources

- **Career & Employment Services (CES)**  
- **Career Counselling (Counselling Services)**  
- **Academic Advising**  
  [http://www.uleth.ca/ross/academic-advising](http://www.uleth.ca/ross/academic-advising)
- **Native Student Advising**  
- **Student Success Centre – Study Skills, Learning Strategies & Tutoring**  
- **Accommodated Learning Centre**  
- **International Centre for Students**  
  [http://www.uleth.ca/international/](http://www.uleth.ca/international/)
- **Registrar Office & Student Services**  
- **Scholarship & Students Finance**  
- **U of L Students’ Union & Student Clubs**  
  [http://www.ulsu.ca/](http://www.ulsu.ca/)
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**Career & Employment Services (CES)**

CES assists U of L students and graduates with their career exploration and work search needs.

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