What can I do with a Major in Neuroscience?

The Neuroscience Program at the University of Lethbridge

Neuroscience is the study of the body's nerve systems and how they affect human behaviour. Neuroscience is a multidisciplinary major leading to a Bachelor of Science degree. The program provides background for a diverse range of post-graduate activities and is a popular area of study for students who wish to gain entry into graduate programs in Medicine, Dentistry, and other professional programs related to medical science.

The U of L is home to the world-class Canadian Centre for Behavioural Neuroscience (CCBN). The CCBN facility that enables a growing number of principal investigators, their trainees, visiting scientists and technical staff to conduct basic and applied research on all areas involving the brain. The CCBN provides a unique and highly collaborative environment equipped with state of the art equipment and a range of neuroscience tools.

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- Interpret & Explain Scientific Research
- Laboratory
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- Oral & Written Communication
- Organizational
- Project Management & Supervision
- Research
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- Understanding of Neurological Processes & Disease

Work Environments

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For more information on the Neuroscience Major at the U of L:
http://www.uleth.ca/artsci/neuroscience

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Academic Advising:
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Key Areas of Specialization:
Clinical, Computation, Human Cognition, Human-Computer Interaction, Developmental Neuroscience, Comparative Cognition, Behavioural Neuroscience, Molecular Neuroscience, Neurobiology

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.

- Admissions Counsellor
- Assistant Clinical Research Coordinator
- Clinical Subjects Associate
- Clinical Trials Lab Assistant
- Consultative Sales Position
- Entry Level Account Executive
- Entry Level Behaviour Interventionist
- Health Educator
- Lab/Research Technician
- Logistics Coordinator
- Neuroscience Granting Specialist
- Psychological Assistant
- Referral Intake Specialist
- Research Analyst (Geriatric Mental Health Services)
- Research Assistant
- Science/Technical Writer
- Territory Sales & Technical Support Representative
- Therapy Assistant

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.

- Addictions Worker
- Artificial Intelligence/Robotics Technician
- Autism Interventionist
- Behaviour Therapist
- Biochemist
- Biomedical Engineering Technician
- Biomedical Lab Technician
- Biotechnology Assistant
- Clinical Informatics Specialist
- Clinical Psychologist
- Clinical Research Associate/Scientist
- Cognitive/Behavioural Therapist
- Consulting Neurologist
- Correctional Service Officer
- Developmental Psychologist
- Educator
- EEG Technologist
- Genetic Counsellor
- Geneticist
- Government Technology Consultant
- Health Care Planner/Consultant
- Hospital Administrator
- Industrial Lab Researcher
- Information Analyst
- Instructor
- Journalist
- Kinesiologist
- Lab Animal Care Technician
- Market Researcher
- Medical Equipment Sales
- Medical Magazine Editor
- Medical Researcher
- Medical Science Liaison
- Mental Health Worker
- Microbiologist
- Neurobiologist
- Neurochemist
- Neuroimaging Technician
- Neurologist
- Neuromuscular Physician
- Neuropathologist
- Neuropsychologist
- Neuroscience Nurse
- Neuroscientist
- Neurosurgeon
- Occupational Therapist
- Pharmaceutical Sales Representative
- Pharmacologist
- Physical Therapist
- Physician

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• Policy & Procedure Coordinator
• Policy Developer
• Project Officer
• Prospect Researcher
• Psychiatrist
• Psychologist
• Psychologist
• Psychometrist
• Public Health Officer
• Rehabilitation Counsellor
• Research Collaboration Coordinator
• Research Lab Technician
• Research Program Specialist (Neuroscience)
• Research Scientist
• Science Advocate
• Science Journalist
• Science Publisher
• Scientific Research Department Manager
• Speech-Language Pathologist
• Technical Writer
• Toxicologist
• University Professor

Thinking Outside the Box: Other Possible Job Title

On average, people change their careers 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.

• Anesthesiologist
• Audiologist
• Chiropractor
• Computer Scientist
• Counsellor
• Criminologist
• Dentist
• Engineer
• Entrepreneur
• Epidemiologist
• Ethics Consultant
• Financial Analyst
• Food Scientist
• Forensic Science Technician
• Hospital Administrator
• Insurance Agent
• Lawyer
• Neural Engineer
• Nurse
• Patent Agent
• Personal Support Work
• Pharmaceutical Marketer
• Pharmacist
• Philosopher
• Social Worker
• Statistician
• Veterinarian

Useful Resources

Recommended websites to assist in exploring the field of Neuroscience and its career opportunities.

Canadian Centre for Behavioural Neuroscience – University of Lethbridge
http://www.uleth.ca/research/canadian-centre-behavioural-neuroscience-ccbn

Canadian Society for Brain, Behaviour & Cognitive Science
https://www.csbbcs.org

Psychologists Association of Alberta
http://www.psychologistsassociation.ab.ca

Canadian Association for Neuroscience
http://can-acn.org

Canadian Psychological Association
http://www.cpa.ca

Canadian Medical Association
http://www.cma.ca/

Canadian Neurological Sciences Federation
http://www.cnsfederation.org

Canadian Association of Neuroscience Nurses
http://www.cann.ca

American Neurological Association
http://www.aneuroa.org/

American Society for Neurochemistry
http://www.asneurochem.org
International Behavioral Neuroscience Society
http://www.ibnsconnect.org/
International Brain Research Organization
http://ibro.info
International Society for Neurochemistry
http://neurochemistry.org
British Neuroscience Association
http://www.bna.org.uk
Society for Neuroscience
http://www.sfn.org
Neuroscience News
http://neurosciencenews.com

Campus Resources

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

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Career & Employment Services Job Board
CES Job board
http://www.uleth.ca/artsci/applied-studies/students
Arts & Science Co-op Education & Internship
http://www.uleth.ca/artsci/coop
Management Co-op Education
http://www.uleth.ca/management/co-op
Arts & Science Applied Studies
http://www.uleth.ca/artsci/applied-studies/students
Study Abroad & Exchanges
http://www.uleth.ca/international/content/study-abroad-exchanges
Arts & Science Co-op Education & Internship
http://www.uleth.ca/artsci/coop
Management Study Abroad & Exchanges
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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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