AREAS OF INTEREST

Graduates of American Studies have worked in many different fields. Below is a sample of areas you may be interested in; however this list is not exhaustive.

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CAREER POSSIBILITIES

In the sample below you will find career options other students have followed. There are many possibilities and this list is not all encompassing. Please note that some careers may require additional education or training.

Archivist
Campaign Officer
Community Researcher
Community Worker
Cultural Affairs Officer
Cultural Interpreter
Demographer
Economic Researcher
Elections Officer

Foreign Service Officer
Genealogist
Human Resources Specialist
Immigration Officer
Information Specialist
Journalist
Lobbyist
Market Research Analyst
Media Researcher

Multiculturalism Officer
Policy Advisor
Political Correspondent
Political Strategist
Public Policy Analyst
Public Relations Specialist
Resources Coordinator
Tourism Consultant
Urban Planner

SKILLS DEVELOPED

In American Studies you develop a wide variety of skills including the ability to:

• Work under pressure while using multidisciplinary knowledge and critical thinking skills in decision making
• Conduct a research project from start to finish including designing, gathering, analyzing and presenting data orally and in written form
• Influence and persuade individuals by presenting ideas in a clear, concise and creative manner after comparing, contrasting and interpreting ideas
• Make projections, observations and appropriate decisions based on multiple perspectives while working with individuals from diverse backgrounds
• Listen critically, problem solve and interpret data using logistical thinking and teamwork abilities combined with setting priorities, meeting deadlines and time management skills
• Mediate and negotiate conflicts with an aptitude for public speaking and leadership roles
• Understand and identify key factors affecting cultural, social, economic and political development while evaluating current and future needs to plan for future development

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**ORGANIZATIONS**

American Studies Association  
Canadian Association for American Studies  
Canadian Heritage  
Export Development Canada  
Foreign Affairs Canada  
Government of Canada  
International Trade Administration  
The White House  
United Nations Commission on International Trade Law  
UWO Student Organizations  

**OPPORTUNITIES**

UWO Career Central  
Canadian International Development Agency  
Federal Government Jobs  
Go Abroad  
International Experience Canada  
Ontario Internship Program  
Ontario Legislature Internship Program  
Parliamentary Internship Program  
Provincial Government Jobs  
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council  
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Social Science Career Services  
The Student Success Centre  
UWO American Studies Department  
Career Central  
Interview Stream  
The Big Guide to Living & Working Overseas  

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