**Areas of Interest**

Graduates of First Nations 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.

- Aboriginal Diversity Consultant
- Aboriginal Issues Organizer
- Aboriginal Outreach Worker
- Affirmative Action Coordinator
- Child Protection Worker
- Communications Officer
- Community Educator
- Community Wellness Worker
- Cross Cultural Consultant
- Cultural Affairs Officer
- Employment Counsellor
- Environmental Advisor
- Foreign Service Officer
- Heritage Interpreter
- Human Rights Advisor
- Human Rights Researcher
- Journalist
- Lawyer
- Mediator
- Multiculturalism Educator
- Policy Advisor
- Recruitment Officer
- Rehabilitation Worker
- Student Activities Advisor
- Tribal Elective Officer
- Victim Services
- Youth Advocate

**Skills Developed**

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

- Conduct research by planning, designing and analyzing with critical, logical and creative thinking while understanding and appreciating the similarities and difference of Indigenous societies within their own communities and the world
- Be open minded, aware of current social issues and examine issues through various perspectives
- Identify complex issues facing First Nations with knowledge of Aboriginal historical challenges and the diversity among individuals and their traditions
- Be sensitive to preconceptions and stereotypes while analyzing the multiple dimensions of a problem. Apply a multidisciplinary approach with an understanding of the various roles affecting First Nations, including language, culture, identity, philosophies, history, world views, social structure and political issues
- Work independently to create well defined objectives and outcomes
- Identify creative ways to improve current situations or problems with cross cultural knowledge, experience and tolerance and organize the information clearly and efficiently
ASSOCIATIONS

Aboriginal Financial Officers Association
Assembly of First Nations
Canadian Council for Aboriginal Business
Council for the Advancement of Native Development Officers
Indian & Northern Affairs Canada
Native Women’s Association of Canada
Ontario Coalition of Aboriginal People
Ontario Native Education Counselling Association
The Metis Nation of Ontario
UWO Student Organizations

www.afoa.ca
www.afn.ca
www.ccab.com
www.edo.ca
www.ainc-inac.gc.ca
www.nwac-hq.org
www.oneca.com
www.metisnation.org/
www.usc.uwo.ca/westernclubs/clubslist/#all

NEW for 2010

OPPORTUNITIES

UWO Career Central
careercentral.uwo.ca/
Aboriginal Canada Portal
aboriginalcanada.gc.ca
Aboriginal Career and Employment Guide
www.ammsa.com/ammscareers.html
Building Environmental Aboriginal HR
www.beahr.com/students.aspx?language=0
Canadian Council for Aboriginal Business
www.ccab.com
Federal Government Jobs
www.jobs.gc.ca
Go Abroad
www.goabroad.com
International Experience Canada
www.international.gc.ca/lyp-pijj/
Ontario Internship Program
www.internship.gov.on.ca
Provincial Government Jobs
www.gojobs.gov.on.ca
Social Science and Humanities Research Council
www.sshrc.ca
Youth Canada
www.youth.gc.ca/eng/home.shtml

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LOOKING FOR EMPLOYMENT?
Visit CareerCentral for Job Postings & Career Events

CAREER SERVICES & RESOURCES (Free for UWO Students)

Social Science Career Services
www.ssc.uwo.ca/careers
The Student Success Centre
www.uwo.ca/student-success
UWO First Nations Studies Dept.
anthropology.uwo.ca/firstnations/
UWO Indigenous Services
careercentral.uwo.ca/
Career Central
www.sdc.uwo.ca/firstN/
Interview Stream
uwo.interviewstream.com/
The Big Guide to Living & Working Overseas
www.workingoverseas.com/uwo

JOB SHADOWING PROGRAM

The job shadow program provides second and third year Social Science students the chance to learn about career opportunities by observing "a day-in-the-life" with a professional in their field of interest.

For registration information and Key Dates please visit our website www.ssc.uwo.ca/careers

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- Get advice on job searching and interview skills
- Broaden your professional network
- Develop and apply new transferable skills and personal strengths.

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