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I have always been interested in how retailers source their products. Fashion is a global industry and a very individual expression of identity.

Louise Crewe, Professor of Human Geography

Get practical experience through national and international field trips

Benefit from support and advice from your personal tutor and peer mentor

Be part of our friendly and inspiring learning environment

I went to a talk about transport planning careers organised by the Geography Society. It caught my interest and seemed really applicable to what I was doing at the time.

Emily Buddin, BSc Geography, Assistant Engineer, WSP Parsons Brinckerhoff

Ranked in the top 50 universities worldwide for geography

QS World University Rankings by Subject 2018.

I understand the world in terms of both its human and natural complexities

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Broaden your horizons and enhance your employability by spending a semester studying abroad
Studying geography at Nottingham

The School of Geography has a reputation for excellence in teaching and research, producing graduates of an exceptionally high calibre. Our graduates are among the best ambassadors for the work we do at Nottingham.

We offer a friendly and inspiring learning environment, with teaching at the centre of everything we do. Our exciting and challenging courses are flexible and our modules span the full spectrum of the discipline, from the arts and humanities, through the social and natural sciences, to engineering and technology.

We use a variety of assessment methods across our courses, focus on providing prompt and effective feedback, and establish excellent relationships with our students.

Beginning university can sometimes be daunting; settling into a new home, making new friends and developing new ways of working is all a great deal to take in. Within the school, we are committed to providing pastoral support, including peer mentors, for all our students and will do everything we can to support you during your time with us.

We look forward to welcoming you to the school.

Professor Matthew Smallman-Raynor
Head of the School of Geography

Our courses

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^ Excluding general studies and critical thinking; plus GCSE mathematics, 4 (C) or above.

^^ Including two science subjects (biology, chemistry, environmental science, environmental studies, geography, geology, mathematics, physics, or closely related subjects), excluding general studies and critical thinking; plus GCSE maths, 4 (C) or above. A pass is required in science practical tests, if assessed separately.

Foundation courses

International applicants who are not eligible for direct entry to undergraduate study may be able to apply for the Business, Law and Social Sciences Foundation Certificate. If you are interested in BSc Environmental Geoscience, you may be able to apply for the Engineering and Physical Sciences Foundation Certificate. Find out more at nottingham.ac.uk/foundationcourses

English language requirements

IELTS 7.0 (no less than 6.0 in any element).

For details of other English language tests and qualifications we accept, please see nottingham.ac.uk/go/alternativerequirements

Academic English preparation

If you require additional support to take your language skills to the required level, you may be able to attend a preessional course at the Centre for English Language Education, which is accredited by the British Council for the teaching of English in the UK.

Students who successfully complete the preessional course to the required level can progress onto their chosen degree course without retaking IELTS or equivalent. Find out more at nottingham.ac.uk/cele
BA | BSc Geography

Focused on understanding the physical and human environment, these courses allow you to choose from a range of modules according to your interests.

We offer broad and flexible programmes of study, which will equip you with the necessary skills of analysis and synthesis to critically understand information from a wide range of sources.

There are opportunities to travel to inspirational destinations in the UK and overseas, through a number of modules with a field trip element. For information on field courses, see pages 12–13.

Year one
Your first year covers the foundation of human and physical geography and geographical information science. You are encouraged to choose geography options appropriate to your BA or BSc degree or other modules from across the University. Many students opt to study languages, the social and natural sciences or engineering, in addition to geography modules.

Year two
Year two includes fewer core modules. Instead, you will choose from a range of modules in the following subject areas:

- Human geography
- Physical geography
- Combined human and physical geography

You will also have the opportunity to pursue 20 credits of appropriate modules from outside geography, subject to approval.

Year three
In year three the dissertation is the sole core module. Alongside this, you can choose from a range of advanced geography modules appropriate to your degree and year-two optional choices.

Study abroad
You can apply to spend a semester studying abroad at one of our partner institutions in locations such as Australia, Canada, Europe and the USA. Find out more at nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy/geography/study-abroad

With BA Geography, you can take a specialised pathway to graduate with a BA Geography (Quantitative Methods) degree. This pathway includes training in the quantitative analysis of a range of datasets through the Q-Step programme. Find out more at nottingham.ac.uk/q-step

These courses are accredited by the Royal Geographical Society (with the Institute of British Geographers).

Modules may change, for example due to curriculum developments. The above list is a sample of typical modules that we offer, not a definitive list. The most up to date information can be found on our website at nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy/geography
### BSc Environmental Geoscience

Geoscientists work to understand the Earth’s processes and provide essential information for solving some of the 21st century’s most pressing societal challenges.

This includes managing resources, protecting the environment, and the health, safety and welfare of the public.

Focusing on environmental and geological issues of societal concern, this course is unique in that it is provided in conjunction with the world-leading British Geological Survey (BGS). It is designed to help grow the next generation of environmental geoscience experts.

You will gain practical experience and work with specialists who are currently conducting vital research on climate change, Earth hazards and energy. You will go into the field with geoscientists from the BGS and the University.

#### Year one

Designed to ensure you have the key foundation-level knowledge required for more in-depth study in years two and three, the first year of this course includes introductions to geological, atmospheric, oceanic and ecological systems.

You will develop your practical research skills with a four-day intensive residential field course in the Lake District.

#### Years two and three

In years two and three, you’ll undertake core modules in geology and research techniques, and will also prepare a 10,000-word dissertation based on a research topic of your choice. You will undertake fieldwork, and choose from a range of geoscience modules.

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Our courses

One of the reasons I chose to study in the School of Geography was its close proximity to the British Geological Survey and the fact that it works closely with them. I was also excited by the amount of career-related opportunities and outside speakers.

Abbie Dodds, BSc Environmental Geoscience

[nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy/geography](http://nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy/geography)
BA Geography with Business

Catering to growing industry demand, this course will equip you with an awareness of the economic, political and social issues surrounding the environment, policy and management.

It is taught by the School of Geography and Nottingham University Business School, which is located on Jubilee Campus.

There are opportunities to travel to inspirational destinations in the UK and overseas, through a number of modules with a field trip element. For information on field courses, see pages 12–13.

Year one
Your first year covers the foundation of human geography and geographical information science, as well as organisational behaviour, consumers and markets.

Study abroad
You can apply to spend a semester studying abroad at one of our partner institutions in locations such as Australia, Canada, Europe and the USA. Find out more at nottingham.ac.uk/geography/study-abroad

Year two
In year two, you will typically take core modules in geography, including those related to economic geography and preparation for your dissertation.

You will have the opportunity to choose from a range of human geography, strategic management and geographical information science modules.

Year three
In year three, the dissertation is the sole core module and you are encouraged to select a business-related aspect of geography to study. Alongside this, you will have the opportunity to choose from a range of advanced modules from geography and business, appropriate to your degree, career aspirations, and year-two optional choices.

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Typical modules

**Year one**

**Core**
- Geography
  - Exploring Human Geography
  - Exploring Place
  - Interpreting Geographical Data
  - Introduction to Geographic Information Systems
  - Tracing Economic Globalisation
  - Tutorial
  - Careers Skills for Geographers

**Year two**

**Core**
- Geography
  - Dissertation Preparation
  - Economic Geography
  - Research Tutorial
  - Techniques in Human Geography

**Optional Geography**
- One from:
  - Cultural and Historical Geography
  - Digital Explorers: Finding Geospatial Patterns in a Changing World
  - Medical Geography
  - Rural Environmental Geography
  - Urban Geography

**Business**
- Two from:
  - Human Resource Management with International Perspectives
  - Marketing Management
  - Technology and Organisation

**Year three**

**Core**
- Dissertation

**Optional Geography**
- Two from:
  - Advances in Remote Sensing
  - The Cultural Geography of the English Landscape
  - Environmental Informatics and Modelling
  - Environment, Development and Livelihoods
  - European Urban Geographies
  - The Geographical Imagination
  - Geographies of Fashion and Food
  - Geographies of Migration
  - Geographies of Money and Finance
  - Geographies of Violence
  - The Landscape History of Liguria
  - North American Urban Geographies

**Business**
- Four from:
  - Branding and Advertising
  - Consumer Behaviour
  - Contemporary Developments in Human Resource Management and Organisations
  - Exploring Perspectives in Entrepreneurship
  - Introduction to Business Operations
  - Manufacturing Strategy
  - Marketing and Society
  - New Product and Service Development Management
  - Organisational Theory and Practice
  - Technology Entrepreneurship in Practice

The course suited me perfectly as it allowed me to explore economic and cultural themes of geography in more depth and complement this with business modules to develop a more well-rounded knowledge. The lecturers are really supportive and very passionate about their subject areas.

Robert Day, BA Geography with Business

nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy/business
Develop your practical skills

Field courses are an exciting opportunity for you to gain hands-on experience in a range of topics.

For 2019/20, the following modules currently have a residential field course element*. All field courses on core modules are free to attend. The following first-year module is compulsory if you are studying BA Geography, BSc Geography or BSc Environmental Geoscience.

Geographical Field Course
Lake District, Cumbria, UK
On this four-day intensive residential field course, teaching concentrates on the rationale and techniques of field study in both human and physical aspects of geography. Particular emphasis is placed on the design, practice and analysis of small research projects.

Second-year modules
River Management and Restoration | River Process and Dynamics
Porlock, Somerset, UK
On this three-day residential field course, you will explore the fundamentals of fluid flow, sediment transport and bank erosion in rivers, which are essential for understanding contemporary issues in hydrology.

Techniques in Physical Geography
Malham, North Yorkshire, UK
This residential field course provides training in physical geography field and laboratory techniques, as well as guidance in the planning and execution of individual and group research projects.

Third-year modules
European Urban Geographies
Berlin, Germany
This five-day field course provides you with an understanding of the evolution, socioeconomic, political and cultural dynamics of the city.

North American Urban Geographies
New York City, USA
On this five-day trip you will study complex urban processes in this leading global city. By the end of the module you will gain an in-depth understanding of its socioeconomic, political and cultural dynamics.

The Landscape History of Liguria
Liguria, Italy
A one-week residential field course which introduces the principles of landscape history and historical ecology, and draws on a wide range of sources including historical maps and documents, field survey of vegetation and landscape features and verbal history.

Practical River Management and Restoration
Mount St Helens, Washington, USA
Mount St Helens is one of the world’s most important natural laboratories for the study of severely disrupted rivers. On this 12-day trip, you will examine river processes and dynamics within the context of human efforts to manage and restore these systems.

Quaternary Environments
Yucatan Peninsula, Mexico
On this 10-day trip, you will explore the relationship between climate, environment and society over the last 10,000 years. It enables you to examine a range of data sources for reconstructing past environmental change, while undertaking your own fieldwork project.

A number of modules in all years also involve regional one-day field trips, for example to the Peak District.

* The variety of one-day field trips and residential field courses which are offered to students may vary from year to year. The above modules have a field course element and may change, for example due to curriculum developments. This list is a sample of typical modules that we offer, not a definitive list. The most up to date information can be found on our website at nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy/geography

nottingham.ac.uk/ geography/field-trips
Engaging study, incredible results

Bridging the sciences and the humanities, geography is the ideal subject if you are keen to develop a broader understanding of the world around us.

It is a wide-ranging discipline that seeks to explain our surroundings in terms of both their human and natural complexities.

Studying in the School of Geography will equip you with strong personal and interpersonal skills, an ability to synthesise both quantitative and qualitative information, and the intellectual capacity to produce original and thoughtful interpretations of our ever-changing world.

Teaching

Our courses allow you to choose from a range of modules. We have a strong commitment to active learning and our teaching is delivered through lectures, practical classes, tutorials, class discussions, group activities and field courses.

In your third year, you will carry out a major personal research project, which culminates in the production of a dissertation.

Field trips

If you choose to study BA Geography, BSc Geography or BSc Environmental Geoscience, you will go on a residential field course to the Lake District, Cumbria, in your first year. We also offer residential field courses to destinations in the UK, Europe, and Latin and North America. These are linked to particular modules throughout all our degrees. Find out more on pages 12–13.

Support

The school provides an informal yet supportive and productive environment. You will be assigned a personal tutor, who will act as an academic tutor to facilitate small-group discussions, set and mark individual work and advise on any academic or pastoral issues.

In addition to the support provided by academic staff, the school runs a successful peer mentoring scheme to assist new students in the transition to life at Nottingham. This scheme has been recognised by the University for its positive impact on student experience.

Facilities

We have specially equipped laboratories for the analysis of soil, water and vegetation samples, as well as computing labs and a visualisation suite. You will also benefit from the use of teaching support resources that complement those of the University libraries, and an extensive map collection housed in our student resource centre.

Typical timetable

Your typical week’s work may feel strange at first after school or college since there are fewer timetabled teaching hours. You can expect to attend about 10–15 hours of lectures, practical classes and tutorials per week in the first year. For the rest of the time you will be working independently, doing the necessary reading in preparation for tutorials, writing essays or working on seminar presentations.

How will I be assessed?

Assessment methods include formal examinations that are multiple choice or essay style, essays, project reports, lab reports, field notebooks, posters, verbal presentations and a 10,000-word dissertation. Your final degree classification is based on marks gained during your second and third years of study.

Watch lecturers talk about some of the modules on offer in our virtual module fair at nottingham.ac.uk/geography/module-fair
Outstanding careers support

Employability is at the heart of our teaching, and our degrees equip you with the essential skills and knowledge that employers are looking for.

Geographers look at issues from a wide perspective, which means our graduates are very popular with a diverse range of employers who appreciate the range of personal and transferable skills they offer.

93.4% of undergraduates from the School of Geography secured work or further study within six months of graduation*

£23,500 was the average starting salary, with the highest being £41,500*

Geography alumni offer careers advice to current students at talks and events organised by the school. Find out more at nottingham.ac.uk/geography/careers

Network with employers

Our first-year Careers Skills for Geographers module includes guest lectures from organisations such as the Royal Geographical Society, and a programme of career networking events.

Amplify your potential

Whether you already have a plan or need some inspiration, your Careers and Employability Service is here to help.

Academic excellence and employability go hand in hand at Nottingham. Your course, and the diverse student experiences we offer, will enable you to develop the skills and professional competencies required to thrive in the job market of the future.

We will help you explore your options, so you feel confident making choices about what you want to achieve. Our team will support you as you build your CV, search for jobs, prepare applications, practise your interview technique, and much more. If you would like to take a year out in industry, you can add an optional placement year to your course which will be included on your degree certificate.

Get the Advantage

The career-enhancing Nottingham Advantage Award recognises and rewards your extracurricular activities. With a choice of over 200 modules, you can hone the key skills employers are looking for. From developing your leadership skills and learning a language to public speaking and volunteering, you will leave university with demonstrable experience that sets you apart from other graduates.

For further information, visit nottingham.ac.uk/careers/advantage

Develop through placements

We offer a range of placement opportunities with local and national employers. Find out more at nottingham.ac.uk/geography/careers

Recent graduate destinations:
- British Geological Survey
- Capita
- Historic England
- Network Rail
- Swiss Re
- Teach First
- Tesla

* Known destinations of full-time home undergraduates who were available for work 2015/16. Salaries are calculated based on the median of those in full-time paid employment within the UK.
How do I apply?

All applications for undergraduate study at Nottingham, including applications by international students, must be made through UCAS.

You can apply online at ucas.com and will be notified of decisions through UCAS Track.

Your personal statement
This is the section of your UCAS form that tells us most about you, and you should make the best use of it. Be as specific and detailed as you can – we would like to see that you are a student who can work hard, be self-motivated and make the best possible use of the opportunities that our courses offer you. We would also like to hear about any skills you have gained through extracurricular activities.

Minimum entry requirements
Unless otherwise stated in individual course profiles, all UK applicants should have GCSE English grade 4 (C) as a minimum.

Alternative qualifications
In this brochure you will find our A level and International Baccalaureate entry requirements but we accept a much broader range of qualifications. For more details, visit nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy/applying

Flexible admissions policy
In recognition of our applicants’ varied experience and educational pathways, we employ a flexible admissions policy. If we judge that your situation has adversely affected your achievement, then we will consider this when assessing your academic potential. Some courses may make a slightly lower offer. For more information about this policy, see nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy/applying

Mature applicants
We encourage applications from mature applicants who have a significant gap in education. You should apply through UCAS. Find out more at nottingham.ac.uk/mature

International applicants
The University provides a range of information and advice for international applicants. If you are unable to attend an open day, we can meet you in your country at one of our overseas events or arrange an individual visit to the University. For further information please visit nottingham.ac.uk/go/international-applicants

Deferred entry
Applicants who wish to defer their entry by a year will not be at a disadvantage. Please tell us something about your plans for your gap year in your UCAS personal statement.

Equal opportunities policy
The University aims to create the conditions whereby students and staff are treated solely on the basis of their merits, abilities and potential, regardless of gender, race, colour, nationality, ethnic or national origin, age, socio-economic background, disability, religious or political beliefs, trade union membership, family circumstances, sexual orientation or other irrelevant distinction.

Around one-third of our UK students receive our means-tested core bursary, worth up to £2,000 a year (2018 entry figure; subject to change). For details, see nottingham.ac.uk/financialsupport

10 minutes from the city for music, food and shopping
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One of the UK’s leading universities for sport* with over 70 student sports clubs
nottingham.ac.uk/sport

* British Universities and Colleges Sports Standings, 2016-17.

Choose from 9 modern languages to study alongside your course
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Live and study abroad as part of many courses
nottingham.ac.uk/studywithus/studyabroad

Student Service Centres on all UK campuses for support and advice
nottingham.ac.uk/studentservices

Join in with the vibrant musical life on campus and in the city
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Accommodation to suit every budget and personal choice
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