This profile is a starting point for your career exploration. It may help you identify options and guide you in conducting further research, reviewing occupations or connecting with people. It is not intended to list every possible career path, or to limit you to what you see here. This is a tool to guide discovery and uncover opportunities that fit you.

Sample Job Titles

Advocate
Campus Religious Coordinator
Communications Advisor
Community Development Officer
Community Projects Coordinator
Conflict Management Specialist
Critical Analyst
Cultural Affairs Officer
Customer Relations Representative
Denominational Representative
Diversity Consultant
Export Marketer
Family Counsellor
Financial Aid Officer
Foreign Service Worker
Government Official Assistant
Historic Site Guide
Human Resources Consultant
Human Rights Officer
Immigration Officer
International Development Advisor
Project Officer
Media Relations Advisor
Mediator
Missionary
Multicultural Liaison
Paralegal - Mediation
Parole Officer
Pastoral Counsellor
Policy Advisor
Public Service Worker
Religious Advisor
Religious Educator
Religious Publications Writer
Research Officer
Resource Liaison
Seminary Administrator
Social Services Worker
Student Services Officer
Teacher / Facilitator
Volunteer Coordinator
Youth / Community Worker

Some of these roles may require further training, certification or education. Check out the Alberta Government’s occupational profiles for salary info and more detail: alis.alberta.ca/occinfo

Critical analysis and thinking: Understanding of differing cultural practices and the behaviour of individuals as it is influenced by culture; think thoroughly and systematically, using methods of conceptual analysis, reasoning, and detailed description; logical thinking and deductive reasoning.

Interpersonal: Interact with diverse groups; cross cultural understanding, awareness and sensitivity; teamwork and the ability to work independently; conflict resolution skills; understanding of differing cultural practices and the behaviour of individuals as it is influenced by culture.

Interdisciplinary perspective: Ability to apply knowledge from a variety of disciplines to the understanding of concepts, people and situations; exposure to different cultural environments and languages.

Communication: Proficiency in reading, writing, and oral communication; public speaking skills, comfortable with debating ideas and persuading and influencing others; writing skills, able to explain and present ideas and data clearly; articulate, understand and explain abstract ideas; Exposure to different languages abstract ideas.

Qualitative and Quantitative research skills: Data collection, analysis and presentation in written format.

Understanding of human spiritual and social needs: Knowledge of different religious beliefs, doctrines, and practices; Knowledge of many of the great religious traditions (such as Buddhism, Christianity, Islam, Judaism, Hinduism); Knowledge of the writings and thinking about the many questions facing human beings, such as “the meaning and purpose of life”.

Need help deciding what to do?

Formal Career Assessments like the Strong Interest Inventory and the Myers Briggs Type Indicator can be helpful tools for your career development. Request an assessment via CareerLink
Associations & Professional Development

Associations provide an opportunity for continued professional development. Many also offer networking opportunities and other events for their members.

- American Academy of Religion: www.aarweb.org
- American Council of Learned Societies: www.acls.org
- Association for the Sociology of Religion: www.sociologyofreligion.com/
- Canadian Corporation for Studies in Religion: www.ccsr.ca
- Canadian Philosophical Association: www.acpca.ca/
- Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences: www.ideas-idees.ca
- International Association for the History of Religion: www.iahr.dk
- North American Association for the Study of Religion: www.naasr.com
- Religious Education Association: www.religiouseducation.net/
- Social Sciences & Humanities Research Council Canada: www.sshrc.ca
- Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy: www.sacpweb.org/
- Society for Biblical Literature: www.sbl-site.org/
- Society for the Scientific Study of Religion: www.sssrweb.org
- World Council of Churches: www.oikoumene.org/

Career Services

Your Future Starts Here

- Career Planning
- Job Search Support
- Resume Reviews
- Career Workshops
- Online Job Postings
- Career Fairs
- Networking Events
- Information Sessions & much more!

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Job Boards

Indeed: https://ca.indeed.com/
Charity Village: https://charityvillage.com/
Idealist.org: https://www.idealist.org
FSWEP Program: http://jobs-emplois.gc.ca/fsweppfete/index-eng.htm
CareerLink: careerlink.ucalgary.ca

Potential Industries

Advertising
Advocacy
Church Administration
Community Development
Community Outreach
Community / Social Services
Conflict Resolution / Mediation
Counselling / Coaching
Diversity Training
Cultural Studies
Ethics
Education
Exports & Trades

Family Support
Foreign Service
Fundraising & Development
Government—all levels
Health Services
Heritage & History
Human Resources
Human Rights
Immigration
Industrial Relations
International Development
International Corporations
Library Services

Lobbying
Publishing / Multicultural Publications
Missionary Organizations
Museums
Non-Profit Organizations / NGOs
Public Administration & Policy
Public Relations
Religious Organizations / Ministries
Theology
Writing

Additional Resources

Careers in the Non-profit Sector by Jennifer Bobrow Burns
Good works: A Guide to Social Change Careers by Donna Colvin
Great Jobs for Liberal Arts Majors by Blythe Camenson
International Jobs by Eric Kocher

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Student Clubs
Various Religious Student Clubs: suclubs.orgsync.com/clubslist

Aligned Majors
History, Philosophy, Sociology