



Career Options after Global Asia Studies

the study of Asia in a global context
www.utsc.utoronto.ca/hcs
Specialist, Major, Minor

What is Global Asia Studies?

Global Asia Studies is an interdisciplinary program in the Humanities that explores Asia within a dynamic global and diasporic context.

The program:

- Enhances understanding of historical and contemporary global culture and politics
- Uses cutting-edge Humanities methods and theories to explore the societies of East and South Asia

Skills of Global Asia Studies Grads

- Articulate the role of international governing bodies
- Analyse globalization and contemporary life across Asia and Asian diasporas
- Conduct interdisciplinary research
- Describe Asian culture and values
- Examine/evaluate established policies
- Examine media, arts, religions, foods and legal systems
- Explore political histories and cultures
- Perceive/understand individual differences
- Understand how gender shapes social institutions
- Understand the histories and cultures of East Asian and South Asian societies
- Develop critical reading, writing and analytical skills across the humanities and social sciences

What makes Global Asia Studies at UTSC unique? Exciting opportunities for experiential learning through co-curricular programming – be sure to look for them!

Entry-Level Jobs for Bachelor Grads

Common employment destinations include:

- Immigration Officer in Federal Government
- Junior Account Manager in Financial/Consulting/Other Services
- Community Worker in Non-Profits
- Policy Analyst in Municipal Government
- International Trade Officer in Government
- Political Aide in Provincial Government
- Human Resource Associate in Recruiting
- Journalist or Reporter in Media
- Student Services Advisor in Education
- Service/Sales Consultant in Business Services

The Career Directory: www.canadastop100.com/tcd

Graduate & Professional Studies

Popular further education opportunities include:

- International Relations – Master of Arts
- History – Master of Arts
- Information – Master of Arts
- Asian Studies – Master of Arts
- Education – Bachelor or Master
- Business – Master of Business Administration
- Law School – JD (Juris Doctor)
- Journalism – Diploma or Master of Arts
- Public Relations – Post-Graduate Certificate

Use LinkedIn!

UofT Global Asia Studies graduates are working in Media, Research and Education.

Attend our LinkedIn workshop to learn about the *Find Alumni* tool for networking!

Global Asia Studies Grads from UofT have gone on to:

- Vice Media (Associate Producer)
- Community Legal Aid (Litigator)



Examples of Fields that 'Fit' the Skills of Global Asia Studies Grads

- Social Advocacy Groups
- Social Work and Healthcare
- Education/Education Support Services
- Trade Agencies and Brokers
- Government Admin (Federal, Provincial, Regional, Municipal)
- Human Resources and Recruiting
- Advertising and Public Relations Agencies
- Law / Legal Services

Your 4-Year Career Exploration Action Plan

1 Do Your Research

The databases below provide you with details about job prospects, nature of work, educational requirements, working conditions, pay and related career paths:

Career Cruising: Log into cln.utoronto.ca, click on Resources, and click on Career Cruising to be logged in automatically

O*Net: online.onetcenter.org (U.S. site)

Attend our workshop **Discover Your Skills and Career Options**, meet with a Career Counsellor, and use our resources to get to know your skills, values, personality and interests:

www.utsc.utoronto.ca/aacc/get-know-yourself

Use the advice on our tip sheets for gathering info: www.utsc.utoronto.ca/aacc/tipsheets

- Information Interviews
- Working On-Campus
- Internships
- Volunteering

3 Build Your Network

Explore **Professional Associations** and get involved: volunteer for their events and conferences, and get to know people in your industry of interest. These are your future mentors, supervisors and colleagues!

Asia Society - www.asiasociety.org

Asia Network - www.asianetwork.org

Canadian Council on Social Development - www.ccsd.ca

The Association for Asian Studies- www.asian-studies.org

Other associations and websites for finding networking opportunities and experience include:

Canadian International Development Agency – www.acdi-cida.gc.ca

United Nations – www.un.org

Foreign Affairs and International Trade Canada – www.dfait-maeci.gc.ca

Canadian Society for Asian Arts – www.canadiansocietyforasianarts.org

2 Explore Career Options & Get Experience

Gain exposure to your options in the world of work and make connections while you're a student via campus events and programs listed on cln.utoronto.ca and ccr.utoronto.ca:

- [Extern Job Shadowing](#)
- [In the Field](#)
- [Explore It!](#) (course-based)
- [Partners in Leadership](#) (4th year students)
- [iLead, uLead, weLead](#) (Dep't of Student Life)
- Employer Information Sessions
- Career & Volunteer Fairs
- [Departmental Student Association](#) Events

Apply for [Work Study](#) jobs in CLN in Fall and Spring! You might also find work via www.scsu.ca/jobs.

Find networking opportunities, internship programs and entry-level jobs via websites like www.talentegg.ca and www.charityvillage.ca.

As an upper year student (14+ credits), attend UTSC's [Get Hired Conference](#) and participate in [Jobs for Grads](#).

As a graduate, explore internships and other trainee programs like www.careeredge.ca

Please note: This document is a starting point for your further research into career options in this field of study. For more information on this program and course requirements, please visit the departmental website found on the front of this