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# Humanities, Law and Social Science Pathways



## What could you do with a higher education qualification in humanities, law and social science?

- + You could work as an Archivist for a local government or heritage office managing collections of books, papers, maps, plans, photographs, prints, films, tapes, videos and computer records.
- + You could work in the public or not-for-profit sectors giving legal advice to people.

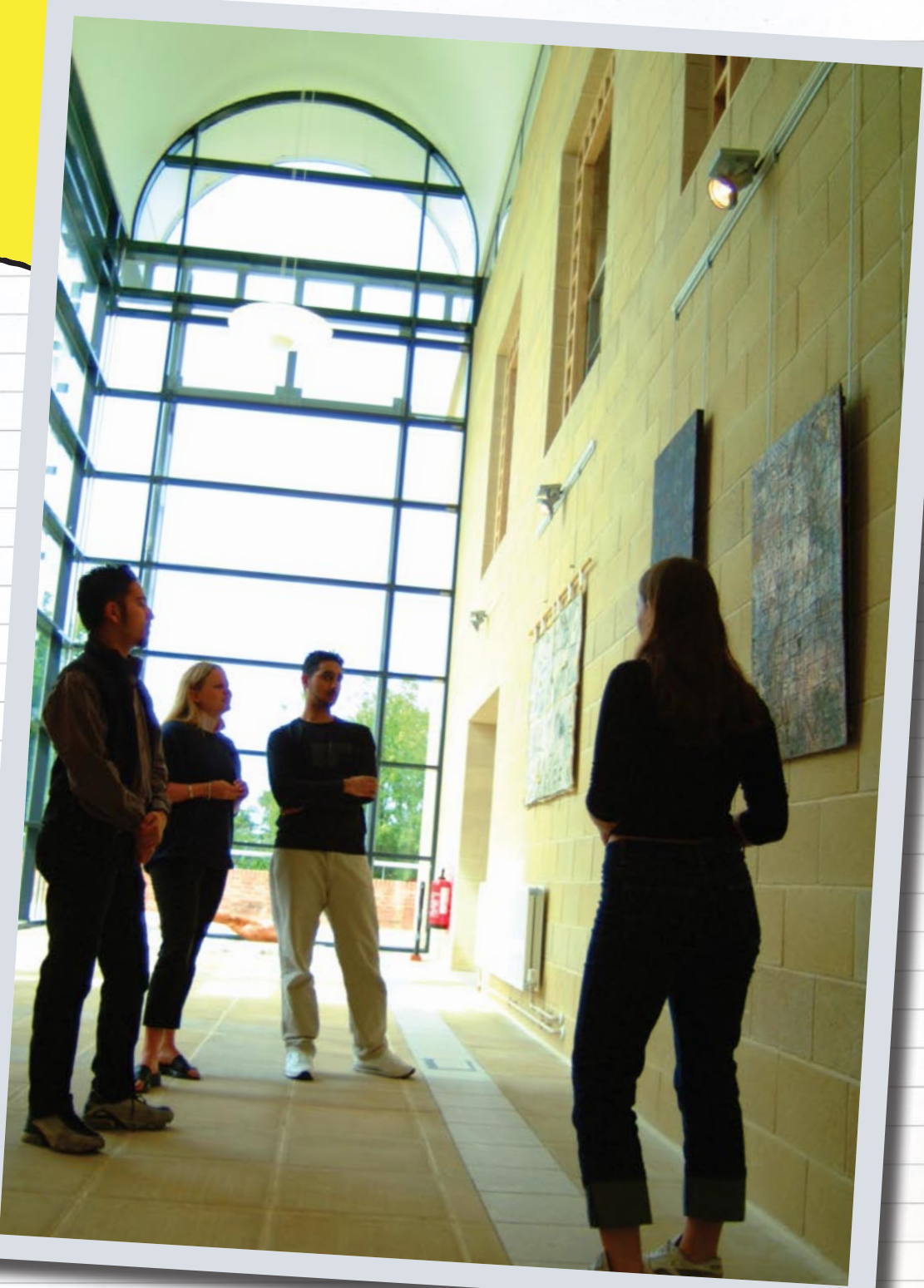
## Jobs with higher education qualifications:

- + Archaeologist
- + Museum Curator
- + Lawyer

## Jobs with further education qualifications:

- + Court Usher
- + Barristers' Clerk
- + Library Assistant

To find out more about these and other careers in humanities, law and social science visit these websites: [www.connexions-direct.com/jobs4u](http://www.connexions-direct.com/jobs4u)



# Will a career in humanities, law and social science suit you?




## It will help if you:

- + have strong communication skills
- + think logically and enjoy putting arguments together

- + have good research and analytical skills

## Make sure you think about these practical things too



- + Higher education qualifications in law can either be 'qualifying' or 'non-qualifying'. If the qualification is 'qualifying' it means that during the course you complete the first stage to becoming a barrister or solicitor. If the qualification isn't 'qualifying', you will have to sit Common Professional Exams further down the line.
- + Some degrees in humanities and social science don't lead to a specific career. If you are not yet sure where you would like to work then HE courses in humanities and social science are a good option as they leave the door open to lots of career pathways.

## Remember, when you are thinking about your career and your future, higher education qualifications give you more options

There are many benefits to having a higher education qualification including:

- + The chance to find a job you really love.
- + The skills you need to get promoted and progress in your chosen career.
- + The opportunity to earn more money.
- + More choice, now and in the future. You may be happy to do one job when you are young but it may not suit you when you get older. HE qualifications can save you from getting stuck in a rut.

Find out more about the benefits of HE at [www.gr8choice.org](http://www.gr8choice.org) and [www.learnandwork.org](http://www.learnandwork.org)

# What is happening in the humanities, law and social science sectors?



- ✦ The Diploma in Humanities and Social Sciences is a new qualification that will start from September 2011. Find out more at [www.direct.gov.uk/diplomas](http://www.direct.gov.uk/diplomas)
- ✦ There are 10,000 sites of archaeological importance in the region, including Kents Cavern near Torquay in Devon which is the oldest recognisable human dwelling in Britain.
- ✦ Around 6,000 people in the UK earn their living as archaeologists, almost half work for commercial organisations and 90 percent of them have higher education qualifications.

- ✦ 60 percent of people in the South West hold library membership, more than anywhere else in the country, and visiting a library is the region's fifth most popular pastime.
- ✦ There are more than 25,000 people working in the legal services sector in the South West.

Due to the economic climate, this type of information is always changing. Find out the latest at:  
[www.focusoncareers.org.uk](http://www.focusoncareers.org.uk)



# Your pathway in humanities, law and social science

Here are some examples of the pathways you could take to a career in humanities, law and social science in the South West.

International  
Baccalaureate



Law Honours degree  
**University of Exeter**



Training contract with a  
firm of solicitors.



**Solicitor**

A levels including History



History Honours degree  
**University of Plymouth**



Postgraduate Certificate  
in Education  
**University of Exeter**



**History Teacher**

## Your pathway

Use the route map below to plan your own pathway in humanities, law and social science.



**Your dream job**

# More information

No matter what stage you are at there are plenty of humanities, law and social science courses to choose from. Here are some of the local universities and colleges offering higher education courses. Contact them directly to find out more.

**Cornwall College**  
www.cornwall.ac.uk  
uni@cornwall.ac.uk  
01209 616161

**City College Plymouth**  
www.cityplym.ac.uk  
reception@cityplym.ac.uk  
01752 305300

**Exeter College**  
www.exe-coll.ac.uk  
info4u@exe-coll.ac.uk  
0845 111 6000

**The Open University**  
www.open.ac.uk  
south-west@open.ac.uk  
0845 300 6090

**Somerset College of Arts  
and Technology**  
www.somerset.ac.uk  
enquiries@somerset.ac.uk  
01823 366331

**South Devon College**  
www.southdevon.ac.uk  
enquiries@southdevon.ac.uk  
Freephone 08000 380123

**Strode College**  
www.strode-college.ac.uk  
university@strode-college.ac.uk  
01458 844444

**Truro and Penwith College**  
www.truroopenwith.ac.uk  
heinfo@truro-penwith.ac.uk  
01872 267122

**University Centre Yeovil**  
www.ucy.ac.uk  
ucy@yeovil.ac.uk  
01935 845454

**University of Exeter**  
www.exeter.ac.uk  
admissions@exeter.ac.uk  
01392 263035

**Cornwall Campus**  
www.exeter.ac.uk/cornwall  
ugadmissions-cornwall@exeter.ac.uk  
01326 371801

**University of Plymouth**  
www.plymouth.ac.uk  
prospectus@plymouth.ac.uk  
01752 585858

## More local further education courses

Local schools, colleges and private training providers also offer further education courses in humanities, law and social science. To search for more courses visit [www.direct.gov.uk/14-19prospectus](http://www.direct.gov.uk/14-19prospectus)

## More higher education courses

To see humanities, law and social science higher education courses available across the UK visit [www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com)

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