

Geography at University

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‘Geography students hold the key to the world's problems’

Michael Palin

President of the Royal Geographical Society



Diverse

'An unimaginable scene': Survivors describe Libya floods

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Libya floods



The failure of two dams sent a torrent of water through Derna, washing entire streets into the sea

No bids for offshore wind in government auction

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By Michael Race
Business reporter, BBC News

As Pacific islanders, we bear the brunt of the climate crisis. The time to end fossil fuel dependence is now
Ralph Rengvanu and Seve Paeniu

Today's IPCC report has given a 'final warning' to avert global catastrophe. We call on all world leaders to urgently transition to renewables



Port Vila, Vanuatu, after being hit by two cyclones in as many days. Photograph: Jean-Baptiste Jeangene Vilmer/French Embassy Vanuatu/AFP/Getty Images

Channel migrants: More than 800 migrants cross at the weekend

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Calais migrant crisis



The Dover lifeboat brought migrants ashore at Dover on 4 September, when 286 people made the crossing

By Bob Dale
BBC News

UK weather: Heatwave continues but thunderstorm warning for many

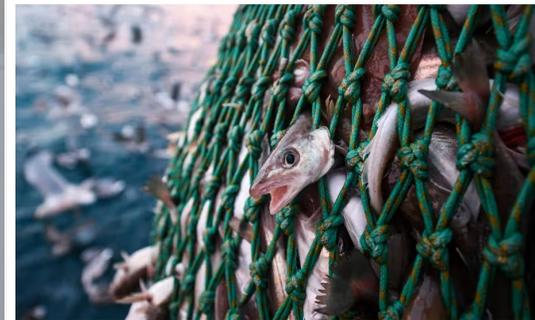
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UK heatwaves



Britain's fish populations are in a 'deeply troubling state' - report

Species such as mackerel and North Sea cod have been overfished or have reached critically low populations



The report's aim is to provide an evidence-based snapshot of the status of UK fish stocks now the country has left the EU. Photograph: Jeff J Mitchell/Getty

Environment Agency failing to monitor water firms in England, data suggests

Exclusive: Watchdog is supposed to audit firms yearly to ensure they are not illegally dumping sewage, but 36% of audits since 2010 are missing



Audits on Southern Water, fined £90m in 2021 for dumping billions of litres of raw sewage into the sea, do not appear to have taken place since 2013. Photograph: Sophia Evans/The Observer

Experts call for global moratorium on efforts to geoengineer climate

Techniques such as solar radiation management may have unintended consequences, scientists say



Solar radiation management involves attempting to reduce the amount of sunlight striking the Earth's surface. Photograph: Ryan Sun/AP

Relevant

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What makes psychology and geography grads the most employable?

We asked our experts why they thought geography and psychology found to be least likely to be unemployed

Alison White
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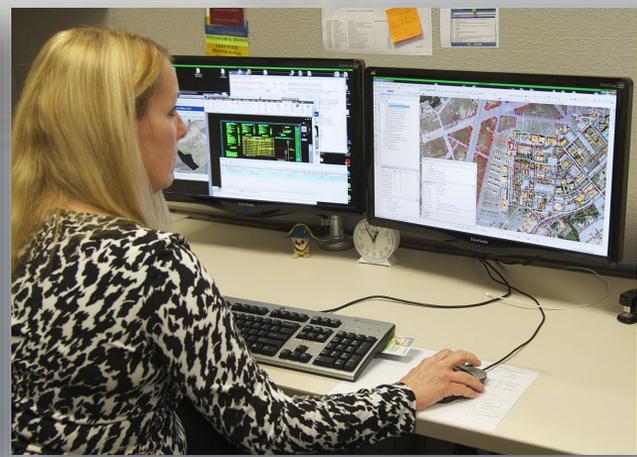
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Geography - Ten recession-proof degree subjects

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A heatmap of the United Kingdom, where different regions are colored in shades of green, yellow, and red, indicating varying levels of activity or data. A silhouette of a person is shown in the foreground, pointing towards the map.

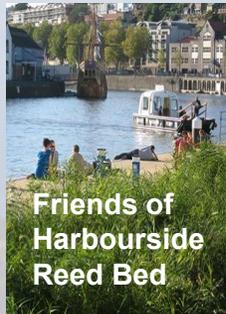
Employable

What employers value in new graduates

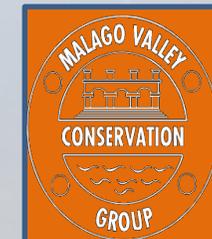
- **Working under pressure**
- **Oral communication skills**
- **Accuracy**
- **Attention to detail**
- **Working in a team**
- **Time management**
- **Adaptability**
- **Initiative**
- **Working independently**
- **Taking responsibility and making decisions**
- **Planning, coordinating and organising**

Engaged learning

connected, professional,
local, sense of place,
impact,
transferable skills,
co-ordination,
communication



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Some Advice...

- **Subject**
- **Content/field courses**
- **Location**
- **Admissions**

What type of course?

Natural
Science

Human -
Environment
Interactions

Human
Society

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**BSc Geography / BSc Physical
Geography**

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Human
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BA Geography / BA Human
Geography

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**BSc Environmental
Management**

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BSc Geology

UWE Geography Options

- **BSc Geography** – focus on physical geography
- **BA Geography** – focus on human geography
- **BSc Environmental Management** – focus on human-environment interactions

UoB Geography Options



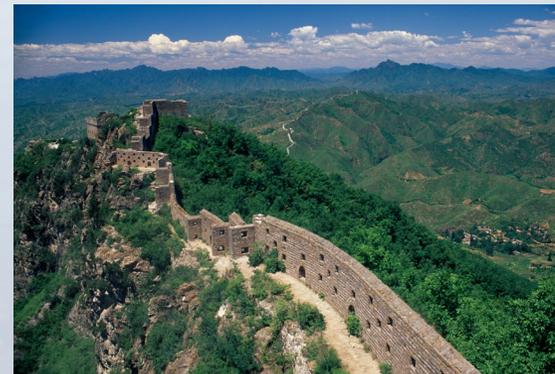
- **BSc Geography** – main programme, 3 years full time, choose 3 from a range of pathways
- *(BSc does not equal Physical, can be all Human beyond the 1st year)*
- **BSc in Geography with Study in Continental Europe**
- **BSc in Geography with Study Abroad**
- **BSc/MSci in Geography and Quantitative Methods**
- **MSci in Geography with Innovation**

Variety of teaching methods

- **Lectures:** explanation of core topics, integrated with recommended readings
- **Tutorials:** discussion of selected topics, writing and presentation practice and feedback, usually 8 students
- **Seminars & workshops:** reading groups or activities designed to apply concepts or methods
- **Practicals:** training in research methods, including hands-on exercises conducted alone and/or in groups
- **Fieldwork:** opportunities to put research skills to use in the field, collecting original data
- **Dissertation:** an independently planned and executed research project, supported by one-on-one advising



Fieldtrips



A scenic landscape featuring a calm lake in the foreground, a rocky shoreline with scattered boulders, and a range of green, hazy mountains in the background under a clear sky. The text is overlaid on this background.

Admissions

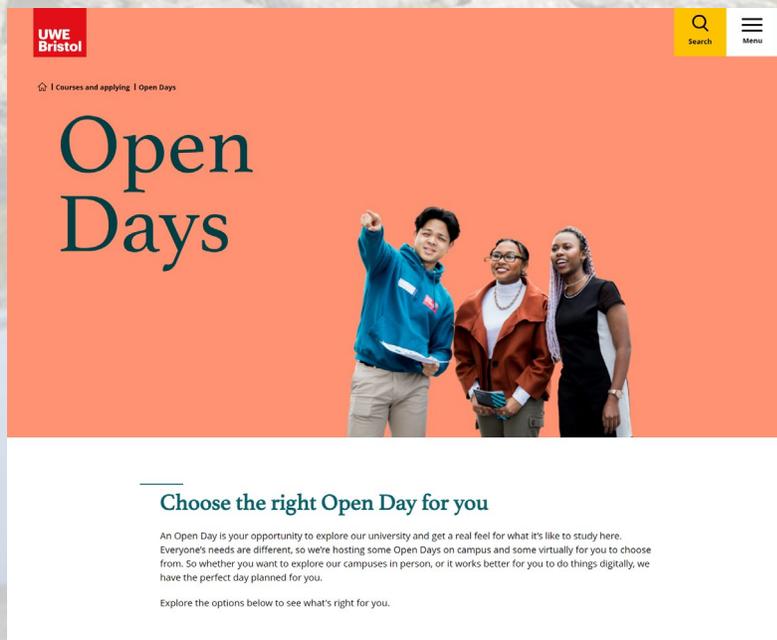
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<https://www.theguardian.com/education/>

Admissions

Explore location...



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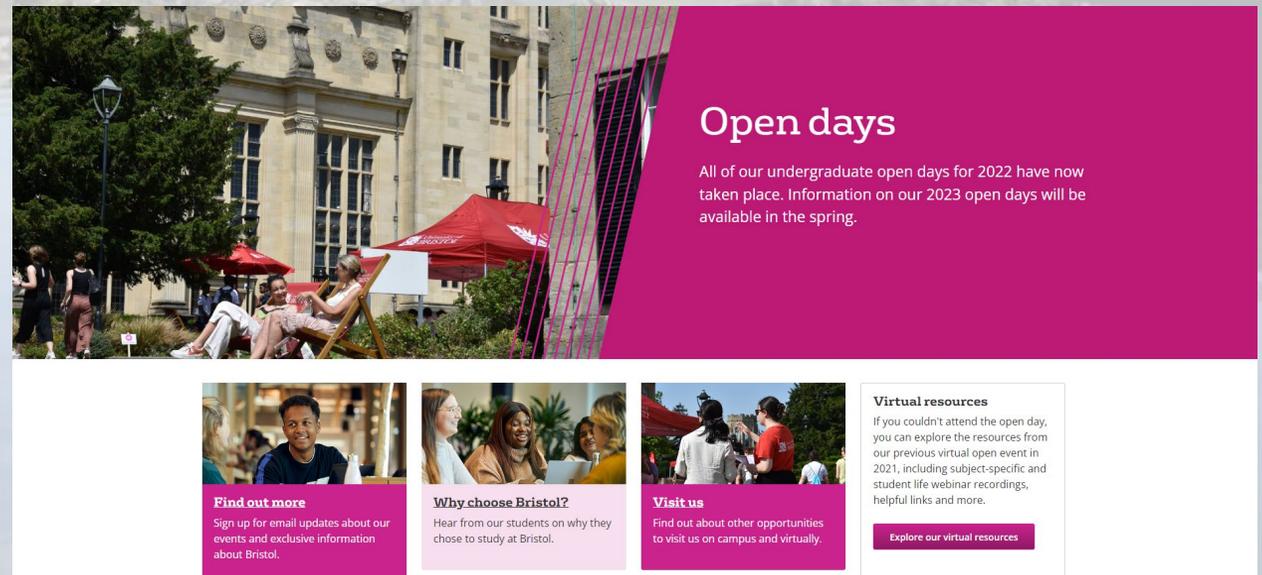
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Open Days

Choose the right Open Day for you

An Open Day is your opportunity to explore our university and get a real feel for what it's like to study here. Everyone's needs are different, so we're hosting some Open Days on campus and some virtually for you to choose from. So whether you want to explore our campuses in person, or it works better for you to do things digitally, we have the perfect day planned for you.

Explore the options below to see what's right for you.



Open days

All of our undergraduate open days for 2022 have now taken place. Information on our 2023 open days will be available in the spring.

Find out more
Sign up for email updates about our events and exclusive information about Bristol.

Why choose Bristol?
Hear from our students on why they chose to study at Bristol.

Visit us
Find out about other opportunities to visit us on campus and virtually.

Virtual resources
If you couldn't attend the open day, you can explore the resources from our previous virtual open event in 2021, including subject-specific and student life webinar recordings, helpful links and more.

[Explore our virtual resources](#)

<http://www.bristol.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/visits/>

<https://www.uwe.ac.uk/courses/open-days>

Applications

- **Geography remains extremely popular however there are usually plenty of places available!**
- **When:** Most apply before A-levels/IB results - but **remember clearing.**
- **Aim high** with one of your choices, but have a **lower insurance** choice.
- **Personal Statements:** Make them short, relevant, PERSONAL, and geographical – BUT do not stress about this!
- Check the **admissions policy** carefully once you have fine-tuned your selections.
- At open days, **ask questions of the current/past students.** They are our best (and most truthful) ambassadors.

Any Questions?

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