What Can I Do With a Major in…

Anthropology?

Majoring in anthropology provides students with a broad and versatile understanding of human behavior that can be used in many different fields and jobs. Students concentrating in cultural anthropology will be able to use their understanding of culture to work in business, education, medicine, government and social services. In our global economy and culturally diverse society, understanding the cultural basis of human behavior will be a very valuable asset. There are also opportunities in archaeology and cultural preservation including work in museums, cultural associations and the National Park Service. Highly motivated students who pursue advanced degrees will find opportunities in teaching, consulting for government and private agencies, and working in international organizations and the Foreign Service. Those specializing in physical anthropology may go on to careers in paleontology, forensics and zoo education/management.

Skills & Attitudes Associated with Anthropology Majors:

Good in stressful situations
Enjoys travel
Appreciation of diversity
Interest in human nature and human problems
Resourceful, helpful, inquisitive
Good research and writing skills
Proficient in interpersonal communication
Knowledge of community resources

Sample Career Titles:**

Health Scientist
Public Health Educator
Genetic Counselor
Medical Anthropologist
Social Service Agency Planner
Research/Education
Academic Advisor/Counselor
Foundation Program Manager
Museum Curator/Technician
Research Anthropologist
College Professor
Genealogist
Museum Education Director
Archaeologist
Model Designer
Librarian
Paleontologist
Archivist
Linguist
Ethnologist
Social Science Analyst
Behavioral Science Advisor
Field Archaeologist
Bilingual/Bicultural Program Specialist
Forensic Anthropologist
Multicultural Education
Teacher of English as a Second Language (ESL)
Vocational Teacher
Government/Public Service
Cultural Artifact Specialist
Immigration Inspector
Peace Corps/VISTA Worker
Community Development Officer
Cultural Resource Manager
International Agency Rep.
Community Planner
Foreign Affairs Officer
National/State Parks Officer
Interpreter
Rural Development Officer
Caseworker
Park Service Supervisor/Director
Travel Consultant
Staff Training Specialist
Advertiser
Human Resources Manager
Corporate Communications Consultant
Management Consultant
Technical Writer
Biographer
Industrial Psychologist
State/Federal Government Policy Analyst
Travel Agent/Guide
Employee Relations Specialist
Escort/Consultant
Employment Recruiter
Personnel Management Specialist
Environmental Impact Assessment Researcher
Tour Guide
Zookeeper/Animal Curator

**Some careers may require further training and/or educational degrees.

Some Employers of Anthropology Majors:

State/Federal Government
Hospitals
Colleges/Universities
International Agencies
Zoological Gardens
Research Laboratories
US Park Service
Business & Industry
Museums
Non-Profit Organizations

Professional Organizations for Anthropology Majors:

American Anthropological Association
http://www.aaanet.org

Society for Applied Anthropology
http://www.sfaa.net

American Association of Physical Anthropologists
http://www.physanth.org

Society for American Archaeology
http://www.saa.org

Websites for Anthropology Majors:

The College Central Network
http://www.collegecentral.com/kutztown

ScienceJobs
http://www.sciencejobs.com

O*NET OnLine
http://online.onetcenter.org

AnthroJOB.com
http://www.anthrojob.com

Occupational Outlook Handbook
http://www.bls.gov/oco

Shovelbums
http://www.shovelbums.org

Archaeological Institute of America
http://www.archaeological.org/

Frequently Asked Questions About a Career in Archaeology in the US
http://www.museum.state.il.us/ismdepts/anthro/dlcfaq.html#xtocid

Library Resources about Anthropology in the Career Development Center:

Great Jobs for Anthropology Majors
Careers for History Buffs & Others Who Learn from the Past

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