

# What can you do with a major in *ANTHROPOLOGY?*

## Nature of Work

*Anthropology* is the study of the way of life, remains, language, and physical characteristics of people in all parts of the world and comparison of the customs, values, and social patterns of different cultures.

*There are generally four subfields:*

-**Cultural anthropology:** the study of cultures, customs, and social lives of groups in various settings.

-**Archeology:** the study of artifacts and buried remains to determine the history of past cultures.

-**Linguistic Anthropology:** the study of the role of language in various cultures.

-**Physical Anthropology:** the study of evolution.

## Personal Qualities

Helpful qualities for individuals interested in the field of *Anthropology* include:

- above average intelligence
- an ability to get along well with other
- perseverance and patience
- an ability to adapt easily to change
- curiosity about the human condition
- an ability to express themselves well in speech and in writing

## Work Settings

Students who majored in *Anthropology* work in various settings including the following:

colleges and universities (teaching, research, administration), museums and consulting firms (management, curatorship, conservation, research, education and development), education (teaching, research and administration), government (administration, site management, excavation, research, policy analysis and urban planning), non-profit associations (administration, policy analysis, counseling and research),

Note: **\*Travel to remote areas may be involved.**

## Related Occupations

Anthropologist, Curator, Archeologist, Art Conservator, Paleontologist, Scientific Linguist, Conversation Technician, Archivist, Genealogist, Research Associate

## Career Services Resources

- *Careers for Culture Lovers and Other Artsy Types*
- *Career Opportunities in Art (Museums)*
- *Liberal Arts Jobs*
- *150 Best Companies for Liberal Arts Graduates*
- *Museum Jobs From A-Z*
- *Great Jobs for Liberal Arts Majors*
- *Anthropology & Jobs: A Guide for Undergraduates*

## For More Information Contact

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# A Sample of Ithaca College Anthropology Graduates

One method of exploring careers is to examine the occupations of alumni who majored in a discipline in which you are interested. Below is a representative sample of occupations held by Ithaca College alumni who majored in Anthropology.

Studio Coordinator	Looking Glass Theatre Company	Chicago, IL
Development Officer	Perkins School for the Blind	Watertown, MA
Academic Advisor	Florida State University	Tallahassee, FL
Access Services Assistant Reserves	Ithaca College	Ithaca, NY
Program Assistant	National 4-H Council	Chevy Chase, MD
Public Relations/Development Assistant	Perkins School for the Blind	Watertown, MA
Education Advocate	L.A. Gay & Lesbian Center	Los Angeles, CA
Order Representative	Branschwig & Fils, Inc.	North White Plains, NY
Volunteer	Food First (agency fighting world hunger)	San Francisco, CA
Castographer	SWCA, Inc	Flagstaff, AZ
Director	FCB Healthcare	New York, NY
Chiropractic Clinical Assistant	Mark Hartsuyker, D.C., Chiropractor	Ithaca, NY
Project Manager	Downtown Partnership	Des Moines, IA
Policy Planner	Wilmington 2000	Wilmington, DE
Legislative Aide	Massachusetts State Senate	Boston, MA
KB Home	Market Analyst	Irvine, CA
Distance Learning Coordinator	Denver Museum of Nature and Science	Denver, CO
Access Services Assistant Reserves	Ithaca College	Ithaca, NY
International Programs Manager	The Field Museum	Chicago, IL
Health Care Consultant	Ernst & Young	Iselin, NJ
Department of Public Programs	Children's Museum of Manhattan	New York, NY
Manager	Sheraton Boston	Boston, MA
President	Scott Jones Construction, Inc.	Hampton Bays, NY
Field Representative	The Guardian	White Plains, NY
Financial Advisor	American Express Financial Advisors	Dewitt, NY
Assistant Box Office Manager	Grand Opera House Inc.	Wilmington, DE
Television Producer	CNN	Atlanta, GA
Director	Teen Institute of the Garden State	Montclair, NJ
Social Worker	Jewish Vocational Services	Montreal., Quebec
President	Image Graphics	Deer Park, NY
Federal Probation Officer	U.S. Courts Southern District of Florida	Miami, FL
Founder/Director	I.C.A.R.E.	Ithaca, NY
Social Worker	Jewish Vocational Services	Montreal, CANADA
Food & Beverage Manager	The Breakers Hotel	Palm Beach, FL
CD & Record Producer	RYKO Disc	Salem, MA
Attorney	Greenberg & Tull, P.C.	Englewood, CO
Psychotherapist	Private Practise	Eugene, OR