

# What can I do with a major in “Anthropology”?

## The University of Georgia Career Center

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*This information describes typical occupations and employment settings associated with this major. Understand some of these options may require additional training. Moreover, you are not limited to these options when choosing a possible career path.*

### **Description of Anthropology**

Anthropology is the study of the origin, development, and behavior of humankind. Specifically, this study provides the unique basis for the four major anthropological fields of study: Archaeology, Biological Anthropology, Cultural Anthropology, and most recently, Applied Anthropology. Regardless of which field of study is chosen, student's gain solid anthropological knowledge of human cultural behavior and human-environment interaction. This broad understanding of culture behavior and human interaction provides for preparation for work in all sectors of the economy including business, government, education, and the nonprofit. These opportunities may include contract archaeology, jobs that involve working with other cultures, and employment requiring general skills of social science.

### **Research Careers**

Georgia Career Information Center - <http://www.gcic.peachnet.edu> (accessible only on campus computers)

O\*NET - <http://online.onetcenter.org> (click on Find Occupations)

Occupational Outlook Handbook - <http://www.bls.gov/oco> (type in general term for career of interest)

Alberta Occupational Profiles - <http://www.alis.gov.ab.ca/occinfo/frameset.asp> (click on Occupational Title Search)

Career Insider - powered by the Vault - [http://career.uga.edu/resources/online\\_resources](http://career.uga.edu/resources/online_resources)

\*Please visit the Career Center Library or your Career Consultant for additional information or assistance.

### **Possible Job Titles of Anthropology Graduates**

(\*Jobs secured as reported by UGA Career Center post-graduate survey)

Administrative Assistant*	Customer Service Representative*	Paralegal*
Field Supervisor*	Instructor*	Photographer*
Anthropologist*	Cultural Resource Manager	Policy Analyst
Flight Attendant*	Laboratory Technician*	Product Specialist*
Archeological Technician*	Digital Cartographer*	Project Scientist*
Floral Designer*	Landscaper*	Research Associate*
Archeologist*	Field Technician*	Site Manager
Geophysical Specialist*	Manager*	Small Business Developer*
Circulation Assistant*	Outreach Coordinator*	Urban Planner
Grant Writer	Insurance Underwriter	
College Recruiter*		

### **Possible Employers of Anthropology Graduates**

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BellSouth*	The University of Georgia*	IBM*
New South Associates*	Epic Engineering*	U.S. Peace Corps*
Brockington & Associates*	Top Turf*	ITOS*
St. Paul United Methodist Church*	Georgia Forest Watch*	United Airlines*
Cottage Works*	TRC Garrow Associates*	Lifetouch*
Subsurface Detection*	Gwinnett County Library*	US Air Force*
Earth Search*	U.S. Department of Justice*	Nantahala Outdoor Center*
		Wachovia Bank*

### **Career Center Library Resources**

*Careers for Courageous People and Other Adventurous Types* by Jan Goldberg  
*Careers for History Buffs and Others Who Learn From the Past* by Blythe Camenson  
*Complete Guide to Environmental Careers in the 21st Century* by The Environmental Career Organization  
*The ECO Guide to Careers that Make a Difference* by Environmental Careers Organization  
*Great Jobs for Anthropology Majors* by Blythe Camenson  
*Keys to Liberal Arts Success* by Howard Figler  
*Opportunities in Social Science Careers* by Rosanne Marek (2004)  
*Outdoor Jobs* by Jennifer Dubois and Steve Gutman  
*Top Careers for Liberal Arts Graduates* by Ferguson  
*Students Federal Career Guide* by Katherine Troutman

### **Campus Resources**

Anthropology Society - [www.anthsoc.anthro.uga.edu](http://www.anthsoc.anthro.uga.edu)  
National Collegiate Honors Society for Anthropology  
Lamda Alpha (Logos Anthropu) - [www.anthsoc.anthro.uga.edu/index.php/lambda-alpha.html](http://www.anthsoc.anthro.uga.edu/index.php/lambda-alpha.html)

### **Employment Websites**

Georgia DNR - [www.gashpo.org](http://www.gashpo.org)  
Idealist – [www.idealists.org](http://www.idealists.org)  
Shovelbums – [www.shovelbums.org](http://www.shovelbums.org)  
U.S. Federal Employment – [www.usajobs.gov](http://www.usajobs.gov)

### **Additional Resources**

**American Anthropological Association** - [www.aaanet.org](http://www.aaanet.org)  
**American Association of Museums** - [www.aam-us.org](http://www.aam-us.org)  
**Archaeological Institute of American** - [www.archaeological.org](http://www.archaeological.org)  
**Society for American Archaeology** - [www.saa.org/](http://www.saa.org/)  
**Society for Applied Anthropology** - [www.sfaa.net](http://www.sfaa.net)  
**Society for Historical Archaeology** - [www.sha.org/](http://www.sha.org/)  
**Southeastern Archaeological Conference** - American Anthropological Association  
[www.southeasternarchaeology.org](http://www.southeasternarchaeology.org)