

# COTTEY

## What Can I Do With A Major In . . . ?

# Anthropology

Anthropology is the science of human beings. The exploration of what it means to be human ranges from the study of culture and social relations to human biology and evolution. Anthropology majors study the social and cultural behavior of people by investigating communities throughout the world and focusing on their languages, arts, religions, and architectures. Some anthropologists specialize in human physical characteristics and may study human remains to understand history or evolution, or to provide evidence in a criminal investigation. Anthropology includes four broad fields--cultural anthropology, linguistics, physical anthropology and archaeology. An advanced degree is recommended for employment with this major.

### IS THIS MAJOR FOR YOU?

*You might like this major if you also like:* traveling; learning about history; foreign languages; learning about people and cultures

*Consider this major if you are good at:* attention to detail; learning and using other languages; observing; information gathering; writing; active learning

### EMPLOYMENT SETTINGS

- Colleges and universities
- Forensic labs and hospitals
- Government and non-profit agencies
- Libraries and historical societies
- Corporations or consulting firms
- Public and private research groups

### SAMPLE OCCUPATIONS

- Anthropology Professor
- Foreign Affairs Officer
- Cultural Artifact Specialist
- Contract Archaeologist
- Curator
- ESL Teacher
- Policy Analyst
- Genealogist
- Peace Corps Volunteer
- Journalist
- Public Health Educator
- Advocate
- National/State Park Interpreter
- Bilingual/Bicultural Specialist

### ACADEMIC ASSISTANCE CENTER RESOURCES

*Great Jobs for Anthropology Majors*

*Jobs and Careers with Non-Profit Organizations*

*Careers for Good Samaritans & Humanitarian Types*

*100 jobs in Social Change*

*International Directory of Voluntary Work*

### TYPICAL COURSES IN THIS MAJOR

- Archeology
- Cultural and Social Anthropology
- Religions
- Language and Culture
- Mythology
- Economics and Society
- Physical Anthropology
- Old World Prehistory
- Peoples and Cultures of Africa, Asia, . . . etc.

### OTHER MAJORS YOU MIGHT LIKE

- Archeology
- Sociology
- History
- Psychology
- Linguistics

### WEBSITES TO VISIT

American Anthropological Association  
[www.aaanet.org](http://www.aaanet.org)

American Association of Physical Anthropologists  
[www.physanth.org/careers](http://www.physanth.org/careers)

National Association for the Practice of Anthropology  
[www.practicinganthropology.org](http://www.practicinganthropology.org)

The Society for Applied Anthropology  
[www.sfaa.net](http://www.sfaa.net)

*For more information on this and other majors, visit the Transfer and Career Planning Office located in the Academic Assistance Center, RBAC 164, ext. 2132.*