

ANTHROPOLOGY, B.A.

Seven Penn State campuses are scheduled for closure after Spring 2027: DuBois, Fayette, New Kensington, Mont Alto, Shenango, Wilkes-Barre, and York. New students are not being admitted at these campuses.

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus

End Campus: University Park

Career Paths

Graduates with a B.A. in Anthropology from Penn State excel in diverse professional careers, ranging from academic research, law, medicine, and government to business, cultural resource management, non-governmental organizations, and education. Penn State Anthropology students develop a diversity of sought-after skills in problem-solving, analytical methods, teamwork, and effective oral and written communication. Students are strongly encouraged to become involved in departmental research while at Penn State to augment their training and enhance their prospects for employment or graduate study.

Careers

Possible career paths include:

- Human Services
- Non-profit organizations
- Non-governmental organizations
- Law
- Health professions
- Human resources
- Marketing
- Public health
- Government agencies: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), US Department of State-Foreign Service
- Advanced research in the field

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT POTENTIAL CAREER OPTIONS
FOR GRADUATES OF THE ANTHROPOLOGY PROGRAM (<https://americananthro.org/careers/careers-in-anthropology/>)

Opportunities for Graduate Studies

Anthropology majors will find that their undergraduate education is excellent preparation for the advanced training required for many professions. Our majors often go on to receive specialized graduate instruction in medicine, law, journalism, public administration, and virtually all of the "human services" fields. Although many professional schools require that undergraduate applicants have some specialized training (for example, chemistry courses for pre-med students), such course requirements are easily accommodated within the anthropology major. Most professional schools and graduate programs seek well-rounded, broadly educated applicants who can understand the implications of the advanced, specialized training they will receive in post-graduate training.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT OPPORTUNITIES FOR GRADUATE STUDIES
(<https://bioanth.org/career/career-biological-anthropology/>)

Professional Resources

- American Anthropological Association (<https://americananthro.org>)
- American Association of Biological Anthropologists (<https://bioanth.org>)
- Society for American Archaeology (<https://www.saa.org>)