

WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY ANTHROPOLOGY MAJOR

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Concordia's Anthropology students study, observe and investigate cultural life in diverse human societies. Through courses and participating in local, national, and international research, you will examine the self and identity and will discover possible forms of family, art, politics or economics constructed in diverse human societies.

SKILLS DEVELOPED

As a student in Anthropology, you will have the opportunity to develop a wide range of skills listed in below. Your transferrable skills can be applied to many different jobs and situations that go beyond this field.

Knowledge Skills

- Investigative and analytical skills
- Research skills
- Creativity
- Keen observation
- Cultural understanding
- Knowledge of ethnic groups
- Curiosity
- Holistic vision
- Social ease in strange situations
- Interviewing skills
- Ability to conduct field study
- Accuracy in interpreting behaviour
- Insight into human and social behaviour
- Non-judgemental approach

Communication skills

- Communicate ideas clearly by listening carefully and responding comprehensively
- Read critically and write persuasively
- Explain complex concepts and ideas to others effectively
- Write reports and essay
- Explain complex concepts and theories to others
- Interact with others and build professional relationships

Management and organizational skills

- Manage tasks and meet deadlines
- Work under pressure
- Influence and persuade
- Make decisions and use sound judgement

Teamwork

- Delegate
- Manage conflict
- Give and receive feedback
- Lead and follow
- Negotiate

Critical thinking and problem solving

- Observe and interpret data
- Analyze and evaluate conflicting information to make a good judgement or conclusion
- Understand complex problems and identify solutions

POTENTIAL WORK SETTINGS

Below are examples of work settings where you can gain experience and develop your skills in your field of study. For more information about employers hiring in your field, visit the Student Success Resource Centre.

- Advertising firms
- Advocacy institutions
- Archaeology firms
- Art galleries
- Civic organizations
- Community services
- Correctional and rehabilitation services
- Educational institutions
- Ethnic and cultural organizations
- Government (federal, provincial and municipal)
- Hospitals

- International development agencies
- Libraries
- Management consulting firms
- Marketing and marketing research agencies
- Mental health institutions
- Museums
- Parks/historic sites
- Physical/biological anthropology laboratories

- Placement/employment agencies
- Public interest groups
- Public relations
- Publishing companies
- Radio and TV stations
- Religious institutions
- Research centres
- Retail stores
- Social service organizations
- Travel and tourism agencies
- Women's organizations

CAREER POSSIBILITIES – BACHELOR DEGREE

Please note that many positions listed below may require related extra-curricular activities, volunteer or work experience.

For details on these job titles, main duties and employment requirements visit [Canada's National Occupational Classification \(NOC\)](#).

Technical careers in museums and art galleries

- Conservator (museum)
- Coordinator
- Curator
- Curatorial assistant
- Exhibit assistant
- Museum technician/interpreter

Social services & development activities

- Archaeological field technician
- Bilingual client care representative
- Community development officer
- Community organizer
- Coordinator of refugee services
- Cultural analyst
- International aid/development worker
- Rural development officer
- Social and community service worker
- Social science analyst
- Social survey researche

Education and research

- Career advisor
- Ecotourism research assistant
- Ethnographer assistant
- Indigenous education enhancement worker
- Multiculturalism educator
- Program coordinator
- Research associate
- Researcher
- Undergraduate program assistant

Government

- Aboriginal relations officer
- Foreign service officer
- Human rights officer
- Labour relations assistant
- Project officer
- Public policy analyst

Communication

- Archive assistant
- Travel writer
- Writer/editor

START YOUR JOB SEARCH

Browse the websites below to find jobs available in Quebec and Canada related to your field of study. You can also search the [CAPS online job bank](#) or [find employers in Canada](#) that hire new graduates in your field.

- [Centre de documentation sur l'éducation et la condition féminine \(CDEACF\)](#)
- [Canadian Anthropological Society](#)
- [COCO](#)
- [Chantier de l'économie social](#)
- [Charity Village](#)
- [Engagés](#)
- [Impact Pool](#)

NETWORKING AND PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Connect with professionals in the field and professional associations to find out what a day in your career of choice looks like. Professional associations websites also provide useful career descriptions and job hunting tips, and sometimes list job openings and potential employers. You can also attend one of our [career workshops](#), [career fairs](#) or [career panels](#) to get a head start.

Here are a few recommended sites:

Canada

- [Association canadienne des sociologues et anthropologues de langue française \(ACSALF\)](#)
- [Association des anthropologues du Québec \(AANTHQ\)](#)
- [Canadian Anthropology Society](#)
- [Canadian Association for Physical Anthropology](#)
- [Canadian Museums Association \(CMA\)](#)
- [Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council \(SSHRC\)](#)
- [Society for Applied Anthropology](#)

International

- [International American Anthropological Association](#)
- [Society for American Archaeology](#)

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