

## SKILLS MOST IMPORTANT TO EMPLOYERS TODAY

## HOW YOUR ANTHROPOLOGY EXPERIENCE CAN HELP YOU DEVELOP THESE SKILLS



1. Ability to work in a team structure	1. Class group work; learning about cross-cultural differences and human diversity; Anthropology Club; Archaeological dig, Biological or Cultural Anthro research at a field school; Volunteering at the OSA
2. Ability to make decisions and solve problems	2. Coursework involving comparative analysis; classes on social problems in the past & present; Study Abroad; internships/field experience; doing basic research for class or with a faculty member; taking a methods or project based course, applying for research or travel funding; writing an honors thesis
3. Ability to plan, organize, and prioritize work	3. Accomplishing class reading and writing; Field School experience; Independent or faculty-led research; planning projects in methods or project-based classes
4. Verbal communication with people inside and outside the organization	4. Linguistic Anthropology coursework; Ethnographic research in or outside of class; Study Abroad, Anthropology Club outreach
5. Ability to obtain and process information	5. Learning to understand academic texts; analytic writing in class; methods or project-based classes; Independent or faculty-led research; writing an honors thesis; learning to understand the different kinds of data used in the 4 subfields of Anthropology
6. Skills in analyzing quantitative data	6. Methods coursework and research in Archaeology and Biological Anthropology; GIS training; Independent or faculty-led research
7. Technical knowledge related to the job	7. Academic coursework in job-related topics; concentration on a track/emphasis area in Anthropology; Field School; methods courses, independent or faculty-led research; Internships
8. Proficiency with computer software programs	8. Use of Microsoft Office for class assignments, learning quantitative and qualitative analysis software in methods course or research; learning GIS; Anthropological media production class
9. Ability to create and/or edit written reports	9. Writing-intensive courses; writing reports for research/lab work/field training; applying for research or Study Abroad funding; Writing an honors thesis
10. Ability to sell or influence others	10. Class discussion; class presentations or workshops; Supporting and argument in class papers or thesis; Anthropology Club outreach; ethnographic methods or anthropological media production coursework; understanding cross-cultural differences and diverse population

## **Related Links:**

University of Iowa Anthropology Department: <http://clas.uiowa.edu/anthropology/undergraduate-program>

Office of the State Archaeologist (OSA): <http://archaeology.uiowa.edu/>

Department Research Opportunities: <http://clas.uiowa.edu/anthropology/undergraduate-program/research-opportunities>

Study Abroad: <http://international.uiowa.edu/study-abroad/first-steps>

Programs for Anthropology majors: <http://international.uiowa.edu/study-abroad/first-steps/major-advising-pages/anthropology>

Archaeological Field School:

Coralville: <http://clas.uiowa.edu/anthropology/undergraduate-program/archaeological-field-school>

Lakeside Labs – Okoboji: <http://www.continuetolearn.uiowa.edu/lakesidelab/university/courses/archeology.html>

Study Abroad programs may also have field school opportunities, check with the Study Abroad programs

Career Center – Anthropology page: <http://careers.uiowa.edu/majors/anthropology>

Honors in Anthropology: <http://clas.uiowa.edu/anthropology/undergraduate-program/honors-anthropology>

Emphasis areas/tracks within the major:

- Anthropology for Health Professions
- Gender and Culture
- Cultural Resource and Heritage Management
- Environmental Anthropology
- Medical Anthropology

<http://clas.uiowa.edu/anthropology/undergraduate-program/optional-undergraduate-specializations>

Methods courses:

- Using Ethnographic Methods (ANTH:3117)
- Multi-Media Ethnography (ANTH:3415)
- Archaeological Methods (ANTH:2205)

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