



GEOGRAPHY-ANTHROPOLOGY

Program Objectives

The Department of Geography-Anthropology is an interdisciplinary department that emphasizes the integration of the two disciplines through our common interests in the relationship between human populations and their environments, both natural and built. The major is a 45-53 hour interdisciplinary program wherein students are expected to take courses in both geography and anthropology.

We offer a curriculum that engages students in critical thinking and real-world problem solving and students are involved in qualitative and quantitative data collection in the field and analysis in our labs. The results include student publications, student conference presentations, and research and cartographic contributions to faculty publications. Our students also receive assistantships and fellowships from NASA and the National Science Foundation.

Degrees & Concentrations Offered

Graduation Planner: usm.maine.edu/advising/degreeplanning

Degree Offered: Bachelor of Arts

Major Offered: Geography-Anthropology

Concentration Offered: Anthropology, Geography

Minor Offered: Anthropology, Applied Geography - Planning, Archaeology, Geography, Tourism and Community Development

Certificates: [Certificate in Applied Geographic Information Systems \(GIS\)](#)

Department of Geography-Anthropology

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Career Possibilities*

Cartographer
City-Regional Planning
Convention and Tourism Specialist
Cultural Resource Manager
Demographics Analyst
Emergency Management
Environmental Impact Specialist
Environmental Quality Specialist
Event Planner
Geographic Information Systems Technician
Historic Preservation Planner
Museum Technician
Park Ranger
Remote Sensing Specialist
Researcher
Rural Development Officer
Teacher/Professor
Transportation Planner
Waste Management Specialist

* Additional education, training or experience may be required.

Acquired Transferable Skills

Ability to Analyze Different Types of Data
Data Collection
Field Work Skills
Information Gathering
Management Skills
Planning and Organizational Skills
Spoken Communication
Teamwork
Written Communication

For more information on transferable skills go to:
usm.maine.edu/community-engagement-career-development/career-tools

What can I do with this major?*

AREA	EMPLOYERS	INFORMATION/STRATEGIES
Education	Universities/colleges/community colleges University research institutes or laboratories Campus museums Zoos Nature centers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earn a graduate degree in College Student Affairs, Library/Information Science or related field for work in student affairs, administration, or libraries. • Gain research experience by assisting professors or participating in independent studies. • Maintain a high GPA and develop strong personal recommendations.
Museums And Archives	Natural history or history museums: Universities State, federal or local Private Archives, Historical Societies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gain relevant experience through internships or volunteering positions in museums. • Develop a strong attention to detail. • Be prepared to relocate to access the most employment opportunities.
Government	Federal Agencies State Agencies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learn federal or state application procedures. • Graduate degree generally required for higher level positions. • Gain related experience through internships

*To learn about these areas and much more visit: whatcanidowiththismajor.com/major • © 2011 What Can I Do With This Major

Enrichment Opportunities

Internships

For more information contact the Department of Geography- Anthropology.
usm.maine.edu/cecd

Study Abroad

For more information contact the USM Office of International Programs.
usm.maine.edu/international/study-abroad

Clubs & Organizations

Geography-Anthropology Student Assoc.
For a complete list of student organizations:
webapp.usm.maine.edu/pathways/list

USM Corporate Partners

The USM Corporate Partners are over 350 business people, from nearly 100 companies. usm.maine.edu/corporatepartners

Helpful Career Links

USMCareerConnections:

USM's career network for job and internship searches. usm.maine.edu/community-engagement-career-development/usmcareerconnections

O*NET OnLine:

Learn more about a career opportunity by researching it with O*NET. onetonline.org

Occupational Outlook Handbook:

Learn more about a career opportunity by researching it with OOH. bls.gov/ooH

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS To name a few...

[American Anthropological Association](#)
[American Association of Physical Anthropologists](#)
[American Congress on Surveying and Mapping](#)
[National Council for Geographic Education](#)
[National Society of Professional Surveyors](#)
[Society for American Archaeology](#)
[The Association of American Geographers](#)



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