This profile is a starting point for your career exploration. It may help you identify options and guide you in conducting further research, reviewing occupations or connecting with people. It is not intended to list every possible career path, or to limit you to what you see here. This is a tool to guide discovery and uncover opportunities that fit you.

**Key Skills & Knowledge**

**Critical thinking** - Analyze the root causes of social problems and work towards solutions with people from a wide variety of backgrounds; Interpret/evaluate events, information and ideas representing the past

**Research methods** - Social research, behavioral and biological research; Qualitative interviewing and fieldwork, as well as quantitative methods; Ethnographic study; Behavioral observation and analysis; Data and artifact analysis

**Interdisciplinary scientific perspective** - Aptitude for scientific problem solving; Using statistics and computer science to analyze data; Basic understanding of human evolution & genetics

**Intercultural** - Multicultural awareness and sensitivity; Theoretical approaches and practical methods for enhancing cross-cultural understanding; Knowledge of a variety of ethnic groups, as well as many cultures in other countries

**Oral and written communication** - Gather & disseminate information; Compiling observations and data into comprehensive reports

**Analytical skills** - Environmental and social impact assessing; Knowledge about biological, ecological, and cultural factors that influence human behaviour

**Sample Job Titles**

Aboriginal Liaison  
Anthropologist (social, urban, economic, psychological, educational, bio-anthropology, public, medical, environmental, industrial, corporate anthropologist)  
Archivist/Archivist Assistant  
Bilingual/Bicultural Program Specialist  
Collections Manager  
Community Officer  
Cultural Artifact Specialist  
Cultural Resource Management specialist  
Curator  
Ethnologist  
Ethnomusicology  
Excavator Consultant  
Exhibit Assistant  
Health Science Administrator  
Heritage Assistant  
Impact Assessment Officer  
Librarian  
Museum technician / Educator  
Park Service Supervisor/Director  
Peace Corps Area Director  
Policy Consultant  
Preservation/Restoration Assistant  
Primatologist  
Probation Officer  
Public Health Educator  
Research Analyst

Some of these roles may require further training, certification or education. Check out the Alberta Government’s occupational profiles for salary info and more detail: [alis.alberta.ca/occinfo](alis.alberta.ca/occinfo)

**Need help deciding what to do?**

Formal Career Assessments like the Strong Interest Inventory and the Myers Briggs Type Indicator can be helpful tools for your career development. Request an assessment via CareerLink.
Associations provide an opportunity for continued professional development. Many also offer networking opportunities and other events for their members.

- Canadian Anthropology Society website: [http://casca.anthropologica.ca](http://casca.anthropologica.ca)
- Canadian Association for Physical Anthropology: [www.capa.fenali.net/](http://www.capa.fenali.net/)
- Canadian Museums Association: [www.museums.ca](http://www.museums.ca)
- Canadian Sociology and Anthropology Association: [http://www.csa-scs.ca/](http://www.csa-scs.ca/)
- National Association for the Practice of Anthropology: [http://www.practicinganthropology.org](http://www.practicinganthropology.org)
- Primatology: [http://pin.primate.wisc.edu/edu/careers/](http://pin.primate.wisc.edu/edu/careers/)
- Society for Applied Anthropology: [http://www.sfaa.net](http://www.sfaa.net)
- Society for Economic Anthropology: [http://anthropology.tamu.edu/sea/](http://anthropology.tamu.edu/sea/)
- Society for Medical Anthropology: [http://www.medanthro.net/](http://www.medanthro.net/)
- Society for Non-Profit Organizations: [http://www.spon.org/](http://www.spon.org/)

Additional Resources

A Guide to Careers in Physical Anthropology by Alan Ryan
Anthropology Career Resources Handbook by Margaret Gwynne
Careers in Anthropology, Archaeology by John Prescott
Complete Guide to Environmental Careers
Ethnographic Work: Process & Problems in Diverse Career Settings by Christopher Wellin
Great Jobs for Liberal Arts Majors by Camenson, Blythe
International Jobs, Eric Kocher
Liberal Arts Power! Nadler
Opportunities in Forensic Science Careers by Camenson, Blythe

Job Boards

- Indeed: [https://ca.indeed.com/](https://ca.indeed.com/)
- Careers In Culture Series: [http://www.culturenet.ca](http://www.culturenet.ca)
- CareerLink: [careerlink.ucalgary.ca](http://careerlink.ucalgary.ca)

Student Clubs

The Kula Ring: The Undergraduate Anthropology Association
W: [people.ucalgary.ca/~kularing/](http://people.ucalgary.ca/~kularing/)

Aligned Majors:

Psychology, Sociology