

START WELL

STAY ON COURSE

FINISH STRONG



Learn

- Meet with your major advisor
- See [sample schedule](#) for your degree: Complete the four introductory anthropology courses (AN112, AN113, AN114, and AN116)
- Use your experiences in your general education courses to help discover your passions.
- Explore minor and/or certificate options
- Do not be afraid to ask for help

- Select and declare a minor and/or certificate program by the end of your sophomore year
- Check your degree progress with [DegreeWorks](#)
- Complete AN362 in fall semester and AN324 in spring semester of junior year

- Understand graduation requirements
- Complete AN490 in your senior year
- Complete remaining anthropology and minor/certificate electives



Experience

- Join the [SOAN club](#) and other campus clubs related to your interests
- Participate in World Anthropology Day in February and other departmental events to get to know faculty and your peers
- Attend faculty office hours
- Consider an on-campus job to acquire transferable skills

- Visit museums and attend cultural and campus events
- Get to know your peers in your major and minor courses
- Look into the [Washburn Transformational Experience \(WTE\)](#)
- Explore internship or summer fieldwork opportunities with your advisor
- Join a professional network like the [National Association for Student Anthropologists](#) or Professional Archaeologists of Kansas
- Attend the Day of Transformation and Apeiron

- Consider completing an internship or independent study
- Present research at a conference like [Apeiron](#), Tilford Conference on Diversity and Multiculturalism, or the Kansas Undergraduate Research Day at the Capitol
- Join LinkedIn and connect with others who work in anthropological careers



Engage

- Follow [SOAN Department](#) and other WU social media pages of interest
- Attend international and local diversity and inclusion events
- Consider applying to the [WU Honors program](#) or the [Aleshire Center's programs in leadership and community engagement](#). These programs offer scholarships

- Explore [Study Abroad](#) opportunities and funding support
- Get involved in your community and volunteer with local organizations that align with your interests
- Consider completing a WU Transformational Experience (WTE)
- Consider taking a leadership role in the SOAN club or community organizations

- Share your experiences with others by writing or talking about them
- Continue to partner with local communities



Launch

- Discuss career plans with your advisor
- Explore the [Career Engagement Office \(CEO\)](#) website
- Explore the [American Anthropological Association Career](#) website
- Begin collecting examples of your best work for your portfolio and resume

- Review job ads to determine skill-set and experiences needed
- Create a resume or CV
- Start connecting with employers through the [Career & Internship Expo](#)
- Connect with Department alumni through LinkedIn
- Talk to mentors who could serve as references
- Research graduate programs and/or careers of interest

- Finalize resume or CV
- Create portfolio website to showcase skills to future employers
- Draft cover letters for jobs and ask peers and faculty to give feedback
- Complete SOAN exit survey
- Apply for graduate programs and/or jobs

WHAT'S NEXT?

The program prepares you for positions in diverse areas such as:

Federal, state, local government; international organizations; public and private sector; museums; cultural resources management; human rights teams; social policy and services; business and marketing

Internships and gap year programs

Advanced education

Anthropology fosters critical analysis, broad perspectives, and interpersonal skills applicable to a variety of professions

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