Bachelor of Arts

Anthropology







ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Anthropology explores human societies and cultures within contemporary global structures. Students complete courses such as Kinship, Family, and Power; Culture, Rights and Development; and the Anthropology of Health, and gain a critical understanding of multiculturalism and the globalization of our daily experience and explore diverse contemporary questions and debates within Canadian and international contexts, including environment and resource use, food, agriculture, and agribusiness, indigenous issues, labour and work, youth and homelessness, indigenous issues, police and society, and social movements in developing countries. The program offers a solid foundation for a wide variety of careers in policy, development, government, and community sectors.

WHY CO-OP?

As a co-op student, you will be able to gain relevant work experience, build professional networks, and develop essential transferable skills needed to succeed in the workplace, all while getting paid and earning your university degree. Guelph's co-op program is unique due to the exceptional level of support provided to students, including a job search preparatory course, a personal connection with a Co-op Coordinator to assist you during the employment process, and targeted work term reports to help you develop relevant skills.

COURSE SEQUENCING

In the Anthropology co-op program, you will participate in four co-op work terms in addition to eight academic semesters throughout your five years at the University of Guelph.

YEAR	FALL	WINTER	SUMMER
ONE	Academic	Academic	Off
TWO	Academic	Work	Academic
THREE	Academic	Academic	Work
FOUR	Work	Academic	Work
FIVE	Academic		



SAMPLE JOBS

Workplace Engagement Officer

Participate in campaign activities and meetings including training programs, information sessions and events. Monitor and report on campaign activities. Build personal relationships with volunteers. Deliver training and presentations to volunteers and donors. Assist in the planning, implementation, and evaluation of the campaign. Assist in counting/processing the weekly pledges. Connect with many organizations and businesses. Assist in the development and management of the website and social media channels. Participate on the student committee for the campaign.

Community Co-op Outreach Student

Attend outreach activities and events throughout the city, including at various schools, business park locations, and transit locations and onboard buses to inform target audiences about programs, service changes and policies. Support the development of communication materials for outreach activities. Act as a knowledgeable resource when interacting with members of the public. Assist with event planning and preparation of activities, including contacting vendors, event registration, completing event plans and debriefs, organizing outreach materials, creative and promotional material preparation and packing for the event. Measure participation at all outreach activities and prepare/provide update reports.

Communications and Engagement Specialist

Creating, organizing, and planning content for projects, slide decks, and events. Driving meaningful engagements with internal and external stakeholders. Arranging, conducting, and debriefing user interviews and research. Maintaining consistent communication and messaging including blog articles, LinkedIn updates, and newsletters.

EMPLOYER SECTORS*

- Canadian Tire
- City of Mississauga
- Ministry of Agriculture. Food and Rural Affairs
- Scotiabank
- St. Joseph's Health Centre Guelph
- Toronto District School Board
- United Way Community Services

*Sample co-op employer list only. Employers will vary depending on recruitment needs. During a job search, students are encouraged to be actively engaged and are also supported in establishing and maintaining their own personal contacts.

SALARY INFORMATION

Students receive compensation from their employer for co-op work terms. The rate of pay will vary depending on a number of factors including the industry, the student's program of study, and work term level. For your reference, a Co-operative Education Salary Guide is available on our website, which provides hourly rates (averages and ranges) for each degree program.

SKILLS & KNOWLEDGE ACQUIRED

- Communicate effectively, accurately and professionally, in traditional and innovative written and oral forms, including visual and technological.
- Develop and practice intellectual curiosity, analytic, problem-solving, decision-making and listening skills.
- Apply sociological and anthropological theories and methods to develop and evaluate policy.
- Engage in respectful, reciprocal and mutually-beneficial ways with people at the local, national and/or global levels to advocate for and advance equity and social justice.
- Demonstrate personal, professional, and academic integrity and ethical reasoning.
- Demonstrate leadership, teamwork, accountability, personal organization and time management.