

Anthropology as a Major and Career

<http://content.csbs.utah.edu/~cashdan/tig>

Course Aims and Description

The course has two main aims: to provide you with the information and skills needed to be a successful student in the Department of Anthropology, and to prepare you to use your degree productively after you graduate. You will learn about departmental programs and University resources through guest speakers and library workshops, and you will explore career options through an individual and group final project.

The course website is at <http://content.csbs.utah.edu/~cashdan/tig>. The website includes full details about course assignments, as well as many links about career resources, field schools, etc. Please check it regularly for announcements. Information on the web supersedes everything else (including this syllabus). This course does not use Canvas.

Course Requirements

Attendance. Regular attendance is expected, because most of the learning will take place in class and cannot be replicated at home. A sign-in sheet will be passed around each class period; it is your responsibility to sign in each time.

Because this class consists primarily of guest lectures, students are expected to be courteous and arrive on time; arriving late or leaving early is very disruptive to the speakers. Students arriving more than 10 minutes late will not be allowed to sign the attendance sheet.

Assignments. Students will also (a) complete three very short homework assignments, (b) participate in a group presentation on career options in their area of interest, and (c) write a report on two internships, employers or post-graduate educational institutions. Full information about assignments is available on the course webpage (not on Canvas).

Submit all written assignments directly to turnitin.com. I will use turnitin's "grademark" feature to enter comments online. No hardcopy is needed. To submit the first assignment, set up an account with turnitin.com if you haven't done so previously, and use the enrollment password "career" and the class ID 7426533.

Contact Information

My office is 217A Stewart Hall and my office phone is 801-581-4672. Feel free to stop by anytime, or contact me to make an appointment. The best way is via email (ecashdan@gmail.com).

Evaluation and Grading

The grade will be based on:

Attendance	35%	2.5 points per class
Assignments (3)	24%	8 points each
Group presentation	15%	15 points
Individual Career report	25%	25 points
Peer review	1%	1 point

The peer review is of your career group members, and will help me assign an individual grade for the group presentations. Late assignments will be given a grade penalty. If a late submission is necessary, clear it with me first via email to ensure credit.

Class Schedule

Jan 8: Introduction to the course. **For next class (1-15)**, read the 2 study habits articles on the course website.

Jan 15: Study strategies: Research on what works.

Jan 22: Anthropology at the U: Biological anthropology: Leslie Knapp

Jan 29: Marriott Resources I with Marie Paiva room 1110

Feb 5: Undergraduate Research Opportunities: Jill Baeder (UROP). [**first assignment due**].

Feb 12: Marriott Resources II with Marie Paiva Room 1110

Feb 19: Learning abroad: Ashley Glenn [**second assignment due**].

Feb 26: Anthropology at the U: Archaeology: Jack Broughton

Mar 5: Anthropology at the U: Cultural/environmental anthropology: Adrian Bell, Mercedes Ward

Mar 12: spring break

Mar 19: Career Planning: Amy Jackson

Mar 26: Interest group discussions; [**third assignment due.**] **For next class (4-2)**: read “how to write a research paper,” write down an idea for one, bring to class.

Apr. 2: Writing (a) a research paper and (b) a statement of purpose.

Apr 9: Group reports (tentative): pre-med and archaeology

Apr 16: Group reports (tentative): other health fields and biological

Apr 23: Group reports (tentative): cultural

Apr 27: **Individual career reports and peer evaluations due**