

Our News

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Next Network-wide Meeting

Thurs., Jan. 23 at 4:00 p.m. Eastern

Departmental Advisory Initiative (DAI) Award

Two programs were selected by the Consortium of Practicing and Applied Anthropology programs (**COPAA**) this December to receive the DAI award:



and



They join



from December 2023 as award recipients.



ANTHROPOLOGY CAREER READINESS NETWORK

ACRN has a slew of new tools for both job seekers and instructors

Job Seeker Tools

Possible Careers

- Building a Career in International Development
- Building a Career in Forensic Anthropology
- Building a Career in Cultural Resource Management
- Building a Career in Design Anthropology*

Skills

- Creating a Professional Portfolio
- Building a Personal Website
- Collages to Elicit Meaning and Emotion
- Negotiating a Job Offer Effectively

Instructor Tools

For Departments

- How Do You Set Up an Internship Program?
- Post-Internship Evaluation Guide
- Drafting Your Anthropology Department Roadmap
- Launching and Sustaining a Community Advisory Board

For Individual Instructors

- Teaching with Blogposts
- Making Connections with Local Organizations*

Under Review but Out Soon

- Boosting Anthropology Student Enrollment
- Invigorating Anthro 101
- How to Write an Effective Op-Ed

*May not be posted at time of newsletter release, but coming shortly!

Have you considered DAI for your department?

Helpful career readiness consulting could be in your future!

- Step up your game in preparing students for the workplace
- Learn more about what ACRN offers [here](#)
- Did you know that



was the first to complete DAI and that



and



started on their journeys this fall?

- ACRN works with your department (or program) for one year to make sure your implementation plan is as successful as possible!

Two Tools Worth Highlighting

Negotiating a Job Offer Effectively

Negotiations can be nerwracking. This tool offers a grounding in the principles of negotiation and ways to approach a job offer. It helps you learn tradeoffs in the types of compensation and working conditions and to identify your Best Alternative to a Negotiated Agreement (BATNA). A variety of examples follow.

How Do You Set Up an Internship Program?

Internships can give your students essential workplace experience. This tool guides you through the process of developing a program at your college or university. Internships not only help students but can also lead to strong connections—including a job pipeline—between an anthropology department and the organization sponsoring the intern.

NAPA / AAA Careers Expo

ACRN participated in the Careers Expo in Tampa, FL on Nov. 22, 2024.

Description by **Trent Trombley**:

“We had a great time at the booth, and I’ll say that from being there nearly the whole time (11:00-4:00), we had a lot of engagement and interest...we had a large number of people voice interest in the book (*Career Tools for Anthropology*) and scan the QR code in excitement. If anything, folks were asking repeatedly if we could just sell them physical copies then and there”



Description by **Suanna Selby Crowley**:

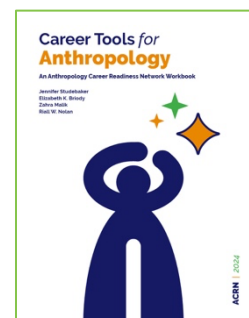
“The ACRN table was mobbed every time I looked over or sent groups of undergrads to explore it.”

Lesson: Make sure physical copies of the book are available for sale at future conferences!

Anthropologists need this book!

Here are some things you can do to spread the word:

- Purchase one or more copies for a student you know, an anthropologist on the job market, or your alma mater
- Mention the book when you give a talk, attend a conference, mentor a student, or speak to faculty members



EPIC Courses

EPIC is a source of wonderful resources. Check out their articles, videos, and courses [here](#).

[The Applied Anthropologist, 44 \(1-2\), 2024 on FUTURES](#)

from

The High Plains Society
for Applied Anthropology

Considering the Future through Applied Anthropology (Ed Knop)

The Future of Cross-Cultural Education (Edith W. King)

The Future of DEI (William Donahue)

The Future of Environmental Justice (David J. Stephenson Jr.)

The Future of Ethnomusicology (Kathleen Van Arsdale)

The Future of food Security in East Africa (Lauren Ott)

The Future of Fundraising (David Giordano)

The Future of Program Evaluation (Tom Laetz)

The Future of Applied Poetry (Howard F. Stein)



- Post a very brief review on [amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com) about the book (scroll down to “Customer Reviews” on the left side of the page)

Recent testimonials:

Katherine M. Kinkopf from CalPolyPomona:

The best available resource for Anthropology students looking to build their careers. Great price point.

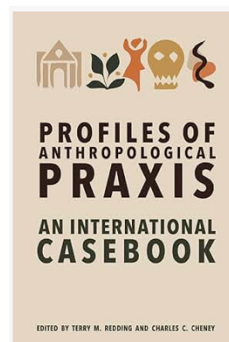
Nicole Kellett from Univ. of Maine at Farmington:

This is an incredibly long-awaited tool for anthropology instructors and students. Often students love anthropology but wonder what they can do with an anthropology degree and this book provides answers!

Award-Winning Case Studies

If you are an anthropology instructor or student, why do you need this [2022 book](#)?

- Includes 21 brief case studies exploring how anthropologists (individuals or teams) set about doing real world projects complete with all their challenges
- Pays special attention to why these projects represent “the anthropological difference”
- Can be assigned as easy-to-grasp course reading, referenced in job interviews as examples of anthropological impact, and discussed in interesting conversations with family/friends
- Now available for only \$35 in paperback or e-book



Editor **Terry Redding** is eager to hear from those who have used this book in the classroom:

1. What is your general impression of the casebook?
2. For which class(es) do you use it?
3. What is a strength of the book?
4. What is a weakness of the book, or an area where it could otherwise be improved?

Please reach out to him directly at terrymredding@gmail.com.

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See you on

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