

Our News

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Next Network-wide Meeting

Thurs., Nov. 14 at 4:00 p.m. Eastern

Departmental Advisory Initiative Award

Is your anthropology program a member of the Consortium of Practicing and Applied Anthropology programs (**COPAA**)? If so, you are eligible to apply for this award which builds capacity for teaching anthropological practice.

- Amount: \$1,000
- Deadline: Dec. 1
- [Link](#) to Application and more information



WCU was the first program to receive the award and is fully engaged in it now!



ANTHROPOLOGY CAREER READINESS NETWORK

Fall campus visits for the Departmental Advisory Initiative

Improve student career readiness

It has been a busy fall. ACRN has visited three anthropology programs to help them develop customized plans to improve career readiness. Due to variation in university context, campus services, instructor networks, and other factors, each plan is distinctive. Here are some ideas that these anthropology programs will implement over the next year.



- Specify the skills learned in all Indiana University anthropology courses and include them in course descriptions
- Front load career readiness in *Careers in Anthropology* course
- Establish an internship requirement



- Organize both in-person and virtual panels with alumni and practitioners
- Insist all faculty and students create and link their own LinkedIn profiles to the Department's LinkedIn page
- Hold a Department Career Fair with nearby alumni and practitioners



- Plan for an Anthropology Program Advisory Committee of alumni and practitioners to get advice on current courses and new domains of knowledge or skills
- Build connections with a few local organizations with the goal of establishing internships and job pipelines for cultural students
- Use the *Dimensions of Ethnographic Film* course to have students interview and produce a career profile on an alum, and post on the Program's website

Recruitment and retention

Instructors and staff brainstormed strategies to increase the number of majors and enhance enrollment. IU and WCU plan to develop student "ambassadors"

NAPA/AAA Careers Expo

ACRN is participating in the
Careers Expo in Tampa, FL
on Nov. 22.



Thanks so much to **Trent Trombley** for taking the lead on organizing and staffing the ACRN booth, along with Ed Liebow, Patrick Beauchesne, Christine Hegel, and Corliss Heath. To help, sign up [here](#).

Are you a NYC-based Business Anthropologist?

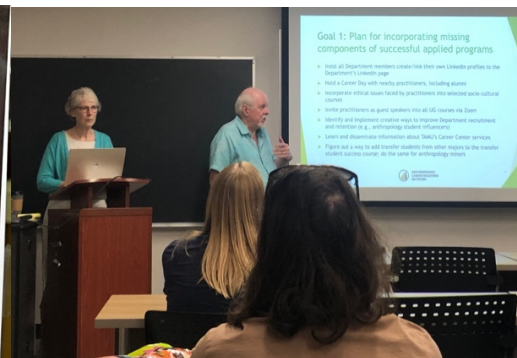
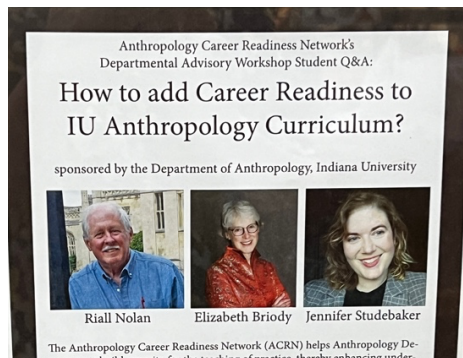
Are you an early or mid-career professional with an MA or PhD? Do you have expertise in marketing, advertising, UX or PR? Would you be interested in teaching some courses at the Gabelli School of Business?



If so, please contact Tim Malefyt at:

tmalefyt@fordham.edu

to visit area high schools and community colleges. IU will partner with the college recruiting team on marketing materials and targeted emails to prospective students; it will also update its website. Texas A&M hopes to add transfer students from other majors and anthropology minors to its *Transfer Student Success* course. WCU will incorporate a strong career focus for dual enrollment students in its *Introduction to Cultural Anthropology* course.



DAI flyer at IU and closing presentation at Texas A&M

Career Tools for Anthropology

We are getting some traction on sales with over 400 copies sold. Yet, think of all the anthropologists and anthropology students you know! Let's get this Workbook into the hands of those who really need it! ACRN members can help:

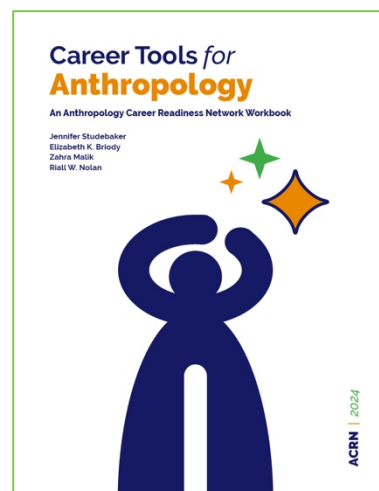
- Do you know an anthropology student?
- What about an anthropology instructor?
- How about a practitioner?

Encourage them to purchase it. If you are or know an instructor, suggest that they

integrate the tools and exercises into their anthropology courses. The tools are perfect for homework assignments or for classroom use.

Refer them to the [Career Tools Workbook](#) page where they can read an overview, have access to the first tool—**What Can You Do with a Degree in Anthropology?**—and some testimonials. They can also place an order from that page or order directly from amazon. The cost: \$10 for the paperback (available in selected countries) and for the e-book.

Write a two- or three-sentence review on [amazon](#). (Scroll all the way down to the bottom of the book's page.) Sarah Renkert from Purdue





SfAA is meeting in Portland,
OR, March 25-29, 2025

ACRN Workshop Submissions

- Networking Your Way into a Job
- Becoming a Practicing Anthropologist
- Talking about Anthropology to People around You
- What Anthropology Skills Are Part of Your Toolkit?

Will you be submitting a session or a workshop? The deadline is rapidly upon us: **October 31.**

Are you an anthropologist teaching outside Anthropology?

- Which courses?
- What are the pros and cons?

Please contact Tracy Samperio at:

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wrote a review just the other day!

I've used activities in this book for career readiness courses in anthropology at both the graduate and undergraduate levels. Students have enjoyed the activities worksheets and the resources documents. "Identify and Rate Your Skills" and "Translating Anthropology Skills to the Workplace" have been student favorites! Several seniors expressed that they wished they had received this book earlier in their studies.

You can write your review about

- what you think of the tools
- how you have used the tools
- which tools you have found to be especially helpful.

The more amazon reviews we get, the more attention we bring to *Career Tools for Anthropology!*

Who Really Enjoys Teaching Anthropology 101?

We want to learn from you:

- What you do that works well and why?
- How do you innovate in your introductory anthropology course?

Please contact: elizabeth.briody@gmail.com

Interested in: Why the World Needs Anthropologists?

Register [here](#) for the Oct. 25-26 conference, sponsored by the EASA Applied Anthropology Network.

Take Advantage of this Free Training

"Collaborating with Google Drive for Beginners"

- Offered by Studebaker Consulting LLC
- Thursday, November 7, 12:00-1:00 pm Eastern

See you on
Thursday, Nov. 14, 4:00 p.m. Eastern