

Humanities

Transferable Skills

A liberal arts degree in general, reflects a comprehensive education emphasizing analytical skills, critical thinking and communication skills; abilities in high demand for all employers. Concentrating your studies in a major allows you to also gain specific transferable skills of interest to particular employers and industries.

Graduates with a major in Humanities are attractive to employers due to their abilities in the following areas:

- Excellent skills in critical reading
- Ability to think logically and analytically
- Capacity to form cogent arguments
- Creative thinking
- Advanced skills in writing
- Ability to express yourself orally and to take part in debate
- Careful attention to language
- Strong independent research skills
- Capacity to synthesis a large body of information
- Attention to detailed argument
- Ability to understand ideas and values
- Sensitivity to cultural difference
- Awareness of complexities of understanding
- Openness to new ideas and perspectives
- Wide range of historical knowledge
- Linking of traditional and innovative forms of knowledge

Range of Example Positions held by Humanities Majors:

Please note that some of these positions require an advanced degree. For more information and descriptions of these careers, visit [O*NET On-line](#).

- Account Supervisor-Marketing
- Advertising Copywriter
- Analyst
- Anthropologist
- Arts Educator
- College Professor
- Columnist
- Critic
- Curator
- Editorial Writer or Assistant
- English Teacher
- Foreign Correspondent
- Freelance Writer
- Fundraiser
- Historic Preservationist
- Historical Archaeologist
- Human Resources Manager
- Instructional Media Specialist
- International Business Officer
- Interpreter
- Journalist
- Lawyer
- Librarian
- Manager/Supervisor
- Market Researcher
- Museum Exhibit Programmer
- News Analyst
- Playwright
- Postmodern Theorist
- Production Assistant
- Proposal Writer
- Public Relations Consultant
- Publisher
- Researcher
- Scientific Writer
- Scientific Writing
- Social Worker
- Translator
- Travel Writer

Professional Associations

Professional associations or organizations can be a great way to meet, learn from and network with professionals in your field of interest. Inexpensive student memberships are often available. These are only a sampling of professional associations. Be sure to search for others that may be applicable or helpful.

- [American Society for Bioethics and Humanities](#)
- [National Association for Humanities Education](#)
- [National Endowment for the Humanities](#)
- [Scripps Core Curriculum in Interdisciplinary Humanities](#)
- [SWIRL: Guide to PostMillennial Paradigms](#)