

UNIVERSITY OF GUELPH
College of Social and Applied Human Sciences
Department of Sociology and Anthropology
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SOAN4320 Transition from School to Work

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Class meetings: Tuesday 7- 9:50 PM
Seminar Location: TBA
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Course Description: This applied course examines the evolving research and models in the transitions from school to work area. There is an evolving literature in this area based, in part, on the successful application of research in the transition from high school to postsecondary education. This 'capstone' course also considers the practical issues involved in making such a move, considering the knowledge, skills, and values needed by university students to succeed in the modern workplace (public, private, and not-for-profit sectors) in Canada. Academic career paths will also be discussed. Students will complete an "Action Sociology/Anthropology Project," as well as a "Skills Portfolio," and other work related to their own transition and aspirations.

Format: Seminar

To succeed in this class, students are expected to attend all classes, read all assigned material before class and to come prepared for each class and **actively participate** in the discussion of the issues at hand. Students will be given opportunities to work on practical assignments that will help get them ready for their own transition from school to work.

Required Readings:

Water, Mary C , Patrick Carr, Kefalas, Maria, and Jennifer Ann Holdaway eds. 2011. *Coming of Age in America: The Transition to Adulthood in the Twenty-First Century*. University of California Press

Select On-line articles (available through Courselink or ARES).

Recommended:

Palmer, Chris 2018. *Now What Grad? Your path to success after college. Second Edition*. Rowman & Littlefield Publishers.

Evaluation:

Reflections on transitions and capacities (4@10%)	40 %
Seminar participation	20 %
Class presentation (Action Project)	20 %
Skills Portfolio	20 %