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I am in the third year of the History PhD program at Rutgers University, NJ. I have tremendously benefited from my anthropology major at Trinity and have put that training to a great use at Rutgers to do interdisciplinary work. Building up on the anthropological foundation I had at Trinity, I took several anthropology courses at Rutgers that have further refined my research skills as I prepare to take on the oral history work next summer in Nepal for my dissertation project. This summer (2008) I visited archives in Nepal, and it was a truly fascinating experience, to say the least. I was the first person reading many of these primary sources dating back to the formative periods of the state-making in Nepal. In retrospect, I think the combining of two majors: History and Anthropology in my undergraduate curriculum was the best decision I made at Trinity, which not only molded my graduate career but also opened up a whole new world of research possibilities.