Resource List: Compatible Careers for Medievalists
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Essays on compatible careers (“alt-ac”):
http://www.insidehighered.com/news/2013/03/21/institutions-launch-informal-network-innovate-and-inspire-humanities-programs (a discussion of job expectations, and how institutions are changing to meet the professionalization needs of their students)
(a discussion of the implications of the expansion in professional pathways for humanities scholars)
http://chronicle.com/blogs/profhacker/an-open-letter-to-new-graduate-students/26326
(an article for new grad students, but with good advice on the many ways to transfer your degree into a profession)

General Websites:
http://pathwaysreport.org/ (A report on current job opportunities for graduate-degree holders)
http://versatilephd.com/ (the number one source for resources/support for those seeking ways to find a job using their humanities degree.)
http://www.alt-academix.com/ (for those wanting to work in universities, but not teach)
http://www.beyondacademe.com/ (for historians, but with important links to many sites for those with humanities training)
http://mediacommons.futureofthebook.org/alt-ac/ (a clearing-house for discussions on non-academic employment)

Websites Related to 2014 Panelists:
For careers in Philanthropy: http://www.philanthropy.com (The Chronicle of Philanthropy: the seminal news journal of the philanthropic field with a jobs section geared towards mid-level and higher positions),
http://www.thenonprofittimes.com (a close second to the Chronicle as the go-to source for information on the non-profit sector, also with a jobs section),
http://www.idealist.org (along with the goal of being an online community of people and organizations trying to make the world a better place, it has a great jobs section with opportunities worldwide),
http://www.philanthropynewsdigest.org (a news service from the Foundation Center, the go-to source for information on foundations and grantmaking, jobs section included),
http://www.afpnet.org (Association of Fundraising Professionals: the largest professional association for fundraisers, it offers news, training, accreditation, and career services.),
https://nonprofitquarterly.org (credible, research-based articles for nonprofits about management, governance, and public policy, no jobs section, but it is a solid source of information on issues affecting the non-profit industry.),
http://www.csrwire.com (CSRwire: the leading global source of corporate social responsibility and sustainability news.)

For Librarian/Special Collections and DH careers: http://www.al.org (The American Library Association),
http://librarycareers.drupalgardens.com (the ALA’s “Librarian Careers” website),
http://www2.archivists.org (The Society for American Archivists),
http://www.dhisi.org (The Digital Humanities Summer Institute), and
http://mith.umd.edu/community/dh-culture (Maryland Institute for Technology in the Humanities Digital Humanities Resources).

For an introduction to careers in the world of Publishing: http://www.bookjobs.com

Twitter Feeds: The following hashtags offer a running commentary and source of information for compatible careers: #altac, #postac, #phdchat. Follow the links on these topics according to your interests.
Potential Careers for Medievalists
Sometimes the most difficult part when looking for a career is identifying possible industries into which your skills can transfer. The list below is a starting point for your research into compatible careers.

Versatile PhD (www.versatilephd.com) hosts “panel discussions” featuring members who are currently working in various industries. The following topics were recently covered in VPhD panel discussions:

- Careers in Social Media (March 2014)
- Careers in Finance (January 2014)
- Careers in E-Learning and Instructional Design (October 2013)
- Careers in Corporate and Institutional Research (March 2012)
- Careers in Market Research (January 2012)
- Careers in Secondary Teaching (October 2011)
- Careers in Law (September 2011)
- Careers in Grant Writing (July 2011)
- Inside Human Resources (April 2011)
- Careers in Management Consulting (March 2011)
- Careers in University Administration: Student Affairs (February 2011)
- Careers in Higher Education Consulting (January 2011)
- Careers in University Administration: Academic Affairs (November 2010)

A forerunner to VPhD was a listserv called WRK4US. It can be accessed at the following site: http://studentaffairs.duke.edu/career/online-tools-resources/versatile-phd. The topics addressed include:

- Career Development Resources in the Humanities and Social Sciences (WRK4US Archive)
- Careers in Academic Administration (WRK4US Archive)
- Careers in Academic Centers (WRK4US Archive)
- Careers in Academic Publishing (WRK4US Archive)
- Careers in Career Counseling (WRK4US Archive)
- Careers in Editing and Publishing (WRK4US Archive)
- Careers in Educational Consulting (WRK4US Archive)
- Careers in the Federal Government (WRK4US Archive)
- Careers in Foundations (WRK4US Archive)
- Careers in Freelance Consulting (WRK4US Archive)
- Careers in Freelance Journalism (WRK4US Archive)
- Careers in the Info-Tech/Dot-Com Industry (WRK4US Archive)
- Careers in K-12 Teaching (WRK4US Archive)
- Careers in Language Translation (WRK4US Archive)
- Careers in Libraries (WRK4US Archive)
- Careers in Museums (WRK4US Archive)
- Careers in Professional Research (WRK4US Archive)
- Careers in Technical Writing (WRK4US Archive)
- Careers in Training and Development (WRK4US Archive)
- Careers in University Communications (WRK4US Archive)
- Careers in University Development (WRK4US Archive)
- Careers in Writing for Corporations (WRK4US Archive)
- Careers in Writing for Nonprofits (WRK4US Archive)
- Finding Your Mission in Life (WRK4US Archive)
- Your Transferrable Skills (WRK4US Archive)
- Inside Human Resources (WRK4US Archive)
- Transitioning from Inside to Outside of the Academy (WRK4US Archive)
- The Non-Academic Job Search Process (WRK4US Archive)
- Writing your Resume (WRK4US Archive)