



History

The Bachelor of Arts in History places students in contact with worlds, times, places, and cultures in ways they never before considered, and promotes the acquisition of historical knowledge and critical thinking, reading, writing and research skills. The practical reason for studying history is to recognize and analyze the complexity of changing forces that have created our world today. History tells a story that helps us to understand major human events and accomplishments such as the rise and fall of civilizations, the roots of cultural differences, changing laws and customs and the evolution of science and technology. These skills are useful in many positions in public administration, business, law and journalism. Those pursuing such careers are encouraged to supplement their historical studies with technical courses in areas such as journalism, government or business. Advanced undergraduates may intern in a government agency or business where they apply their research and writing skills in a practical project. History also prepares students for secondary school social studies teaching, library science, historical presentation, archival management and museum studies.

Entry Level Positions

- History teacher (private school)
- Assistant museum curator
- Legislative correspondent
- Political editor
- Legal assistant
- Management trainee

Further Education/Experience Required

- History teacher (public school)
- Archivist or Librarian
- Lawyer
- Foreign service worker
- Museum curator
- Historic site administrator

Employers of History Majors

- Magazines/newspapers
- State/federal government
- Colleges/universities
- Research foundations
- Libraries
- Communications media
- Historical societies
- Business and industry
- Archives
- Antique dealers
- Public/private schools
- Travel/tourism

Professional Associations and Affiliations

American Association of Museums
www.aam-us.org

American Historical Association
www.historians.org

American Society of Association Executives
www.asaenet.org

A Future in K-12 Education
<http://www.k12jobs.com/>

Federal Jobs
www.usajobs.opm.gov

The Brookings Institute (Think Tank)
<http://www.brook.edu/>

Jobs at Nonprofit Organizations
www.jobsatnonprofits.com/

Museum Employment Resource Center
www.museum-employment.com

National Association of Independent Schools
www.nais-schools.org

National Council on Public History
www.ncph.org/

Organization of American Historians
www.oah.org/

Society of American Archivists
www.archivists.org