Knowledge & Skills Gained as a History Major:

Knowledge

• An opportunity for deep analysis and understanding of why and how events in the past occurred, and a heightened awareness of the continuing impact of those events in today’s world

• A richer understanding of the historical forces that have polarized groups, societies, and nations in the past, as an essential framework for addressing and resolving the challenges of today

Skills

• Ask and answer complicated questions through the use of sophisticated research techniques

• Organize and critically analyze various types of information, drawn from a wide array of sources

• Consider multiple interpretations and varying narrative perspectives

• Produce high-quality written reports of their findings and interpretations

• Orally report and discuss their findings

Course Highlights in History:

• Native American Environmentalism
• The Crusades
• The American Revolution
• The Holocaust
• American Immigration & Ethnic History

• Alexander the Great
• History of Women in America
• Religion In Early America
• History of the American West
• Israel and Palestine
• Roman Empire

History Major at a glance:

Number of majors: 250
Degrees offered: B.A. and B.S.
Credit hours needed: 36
Minors offered: Yes (Minor in History and several interdisciplinary minors available)
Career Opportunities

By nature, Liberal Arts majors make great employees in any field because of their ability to communicate effectively, think critically and solve complex problems. These timeless skills make them attractive to employers in a variety of professions. Specifically though, History majors often pursue careers as:

- Attorneys
- Business-owners
- Archivists
- Museum Directors/Curators
- Paralegals
- Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)
- Government workers/analysts of all types
- Teachers
- Politicians or political staffers
- Publicists or public relations specialists

When the History major is matched with complementary minors and thoughtful internships, new possibilities arise. A few examples are:

- History + Political Science minor = Attorney
- History + museum internship = Museum curator/archivist/exhibit specialist
- History + Biology minor = Medical professional
- History + Psychology minor = Non-governmental organization employee/counselor/social service provider
- History + Education = primary/secondary teacher
- History + Anthropology = Archaeologist

Student Opportunities

- Phi Alpha Theta - History Honorary Society
- Inter-Tribal Student Council
- Phi Alpha Delta - National Pre-Law Honorary Society
- Pi Gamma Mu - International Social Sciences Honorary Society
- Funding for student research
- Annual student awards
- Local Internships

Did you know?

In medieval times people were put to death for being witches. One historian conjectures that as many as 600,000 "witches" lost their lives during this time.

For more information:

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