

MASTER OF ARTS IN HISTORY



The Master of Arts degree in History at Millersville University offers advanced training in American, European and world history.

OVERVIEW

Millersville is the only institution in southeastern Pennsylvania outside the Philadelphia area to grant a Master of Arts in History. Learn from the past and prepare for the future with Millersville University's graduate-level History program. The passionate historians who serve as instructors encourage students to critically examine the values and institutions of current culture by exposing them to alternatives found in cultures of the past. Students are taught to think historically, learn how to evaluate evidence critically, understand and apply theories of causation, and develop interpretations to explain aspects of the past.

With the M.A. in History program, flexibility is key, and you have the option to tailor the program to encompass all your interests. Courses are offered in the evening during the regular school year, and during the day in the summer. The program is designed to appeal to both teaching professionals who want advanced study in the teaching of history and students who wish to prepare for continuing graduate study in history.

WHAT WILL YOU LEARN?

The graduate-level history curriculum offers advanced training in the history of various regions and time periods. Expert faculty members guide students through courses about United States, European and world history, as well as specialized courses that focus on specific moments in time. Coursework is also designed to foster effective writers and communicators who are equipped to develop and utilize critical analysis skills, to research, to interact in a diverse world and to value intellectual curiosity.



CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

- History Professor
- Museum Technician and Conservator
- Historian
- Curator
- Archeologist
- Archivist
- Anthropologist
- Political Scientist



ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- 3.0 GPA in history, overall GPA of 2.75.
- Three recommendation letters.
- 5–10-page writing sample showing use of primary and secondary sources and a grasp of historical thinking.
- Applicants without a CGPA of 2.75 or academic training in history may be admitted probationally and may be asked to complete the sequence of introductory surveys in U.S. and European history.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

- All students must take HIST 520.
- All students must take an additional six 500-level seminars.
- All students must take at least two 600-level research seminars.
- With prior written approval from the graduate coordinator, a student may take up to six hours of related nonhistory graduate courses.

THESIS OPTION (30 semester hours):

- Students who elect to write a thesis must register for HIST 699 and successfully defend an approved thesis based on original research.

NONTHESIS OPTION (30 semester hours):

- Students who elect not to write a thesis are required to take an additional 600-level research seminar.

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