What can I do with a bachelor's degree in... HISTORY?

WHAT IS HISTORY?

History majors learn to think broadly, and develop skills in critical analysis, research, and oral, written, and digital communication. History allows students to understand the complexities of the present by studying the past. Faculty at MSU specialize in a variety of historical eras and topics including African, Latin American & Caribbean, European, Medieval, United States, Religious, and Women & Gender.

POSSIBLE INDUSTRIES

History majors go on to work in a variety of industries, including:
- Local & State Government
- Federal Government
- Politics
- Law
- Nonprofit
- Education
- Information Science/Archival Management
- Media

COMMON JOB TYPES

- **Research Assistant** - Work with other researchers in the laboratory on various aspects of research such as conducting surveys, managing data, preparing findings, and publishing work.
- **Curator** - Create and preserve artwork, collectibles, historic items, and/or scientific specimens for museums or other institutions. May also conduct research on behalf of the institution/museum.
- **Paralegal** - Assist lawyers by investigating facts, preparing legal documents, or researching legal precedent.
- **Archivist** - Appraise, edit, and direct safekeeping of permanent records and historically valuable documents.
- **Social Media Coordinator** - Manage various social media accounts for brands, organizations, institutions, etc., promoting a positive image and advertising information.

For more information on these job types, visit mynextmove.org or mymajors.com
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ALUMNI JOB TITLES

Every year, Career Services surveys recent alumni to find out what they are doing post-graduation. The full results of the Destination Survey can be found on the Career Services Network website. The following are selected job titles of recent History alumni:

- Collections and Curatorial Assistant
- Data Analyst
- Freelance Writer
- Litigation Paralegal
- Blogger
- Project Manager
- Research Associate
- Revenue Audit Clerk
- Workforce Development Specialist
- Marketing Assistant

GRADUATE SCHOOL PROGRAMS

The following is a list of selected graduate school program names that recent History alumni have enrolled in based on results of the Destination Survey:

**Master’s**
- History
- Interdisciplinary Gender Studies
- Library & Information Science
- Public Administration

**PhD**
- Medieval Studies

**Professional**
- Public History
- Real Estate
- Speech-Language Pathology
- Teacher Certification Program

ADDITIONAL CAREER RESOURCES

- [USAJobs](http://www.usajobs.gov)
- [State of Michigan Jobs](http://www.state.mi.us/careers)
- [American Alliance of Museums Jobs](http://www.aama-usa.org/jobs)
- [AASLH Jobs](http://www.aaslh.org/jobs)
- [National Archives Jobs](http://www.archives.gov/jobs)
- [Smithsonian Jobs & Internships](http://www.si.edu/Careers)
- [Library of Congress Jobs](http://www.loc.gov/careers)
- [American Library Assoc. Jobs](http://www.alaweb.org/careers)
- [Museum and Cultural Resource Jobs](http://www.amaa.org/careers)
- [Michigan Courts Jobs](http://www.michigan.gov/courts)
- [Paralegal Association Jobs](http://www.paralegals.org/jobs)