

# HISTORY

## CRITICAL THINKING & ANALYTICAL SKILLS

## GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES

## MULTICULTURAL COMPETENCIES

## HISTORICAL WRITING & RESEARCH

Our programs in history introduce students to the world both inside and outside of the classroom, focus on building diverse communities and multicultural connections, and have a deep commitment to our students' success in both their educational goals and future career plans.

### DEGREES OFFERED

- History, BS
- History, BA
- History Minor
- Latin American Studies Minor
- Middle Eastern Studies and Islamic World Minor
- Social Studies
- History, MS
- History, MA
- History, Graduate Certificate

### REAL-WORLD EXPERIENCES

- History Club
- Pre-Law Club
- Phi Alpha Theta
- Collaborative research
- Study abroad and away, including trips to France and Norway
- Internships
- U.S. Holocaust Museum trip

### SKILLS AND TALENTS

- Analytical
- Communication skills
- Creativity
- Detail oriented
- Flexibility
- Intellectual curiosity
- Interpersonal skills
- Objectivity
- Problem solving
- Research skills
- Writing skills

### EMPLOYERS

- Business and corporations
- Federal, state and local government
- Law firms and court systems
- Libraries
- Medical
- Museums
- Historical societies
- Nonprofit organizations
- Research firms
- Schools, colleges and universities

### CAREERS

- Archivist
- Attorney\*
- Campaign management
- City planning
- Community educator
- Community relations
- Curator
- Genealogist
- Historic preservationist
- Human resources
- Interpretive guide
- Librarian\*
- Lobbyist
- Management/sales
- Museum director/educator
- Nonprofit administrator
- Program coordinator
- Public policy
- Research
- Social services
- Teacher/professor\*
- Writer/editor

\*Advanced education preferred





The Department of History at Minnesota State University, Mankato features a global perspective that provides students with an understanding of the unique histories of the peoples and cultures throughout the world.

PREPARE FOR YOUR FUTURE BY STUDYING THE PAST

- History is one of the best majors for developing the writing and analytical skills and multicultural competencies that employers want and expect as they look to hire college graduates.
- Historians produce knowledge about past individuals and societies by analyzing evidence (such as written documents, artifacts, and electronic recordings) to explain how change occurred over time.
- Historians need to examine complex factors, consider contradictory evidence, and gather additional data before they can make informed conclusions on the issue or event they are studying. They then relate their findings in interesting and compelling stories that span the entire globe over a wide expanse of time.

LEARN ESSENTIAL SKILLS THAT ALL EMPLOYERS WANT

- History majors develop research, writing, and analytical skills that open doors to a wide variety of job opportunities in fields such as business, politics, government, education, and healthcare.
- A degree in history is also an outstanding foundation for students who plan to attend law school or graduate school.
- The skills you will learn as a history major are useful in many different career tracks, which is important since college graduates are increasingly more likely to switch their entire career path, rather than stay in one job or field over the course of their lives.

Required Courses (16 Credits)

- Two Introductory Courses from HIST 100-299 (8)
- Internship: HIST 497 Internship or, if you are a History/Social Studies Teaching double major, SOST 450 (4)
  - HIST 495W Senior Seminar (4)

Upper Division Courses (20 Credits)

At least one 300 or 400 level course must be taken from each of the following areas:

- United States
- World (Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America or Middle East)