Major: History

O*net Outlook Link to Career Titles

History Teachers, Postsecondary
Historians
Area, Ethnic, and Cultural Studies Teachers, Postsecondary
Political Science Teachers, Postsecondary
Middle School Teachers, Except Special and Vocational Education
Secondary School Teachers, Except Special and Vocational Education
Archivists
Park Naturalists
Geologists in Demand
Curators
Anthropologists and Archeologists

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities Learned with this Degree:

Knowledge:
- English Language
- Computers and Electronics
- History and Archeology
- Administration and Management
- Communications and Media

Skills:
- Active Listening
- Reading Comprehension

Abilities:
- Written Comprehension

Examples of possible Careers with a Bachelor Degree:
Museums and Historical Organizations
Cultural Resources Management and Historic Preservation
Think Tanks
Writers and Editors
Journalists
Documentary Editors
Producers of Multimedia Material
Archivists
Records Managers
Librarians
Information Managers
Lawyers and Paralegals
Litigation Support
Legislative Staff Work
Foundations
Contract Historians

Links:
Job Search Websites:
Careers in History
Museum Employment Resource Center
Careers in Government
Department of the Interior Job Vacancies
USA Jobs

Associations:
American Historical Association
American Association for State and Local History
National Archives
The History Net
Library of Congress
National Council for Social Studies

Majoring in History:
As a history major, you will study the United States, selecting from courses on American constitutional development, American leaders, the Civil War, political parties, the South, Texas and the West; and African American history, among others. You also will take classes in non-United States history, including classes on China, Latin America, the Middle Ages, modern Africa, 19th-century Europe, the Reformation, the Renaissance and World War II.

You may receive assistance in preparing for exams and writing papers from staff members in the department’s help center.

UNT’s history faculty members have received many awards for teaching and scholarship. Two faculty members have been named Regents Professor for their excellence in research and teaching. Regents Professors devote half of their teaching load to introductory-level courses. Faculty members have received several Professing Women awards. In addition, several faculty members have published award-winning books.

History faculty members conduct research in African intellectual history, the British monarchy, 20th century China, the Civil War and Reconstruction, European witchcraft, the history of psychology, the Holocaust, the Normandy invasion, Renaissance legal culture, slavery, Native Americans, Mexican-American history, women in the American South, sports history, Texas, Victorian literary culture and modern German economic history, among other areas.

Scholarships are available specifically for students studying history. Contact the department’s undergraduate adviser for more information.

Career Potential:
History encompasses all aspects of past human endeavor. From history, you will develop a better understanding of current events and a better appreciation of architecture, art, ideas, politics, and fellow human beings and their activities. It also provides you a guide for the future.

No matter your career path, you can benefit from majoring or minoring in history or taking history courses as electives.
The history department offers a bachelor of arts degree with a major in history and courses for a major in social science with history as a leading subject.

If you plan to be a professional historian or to teach at a university, you will need to earn a master’s or doctoral degree.

UNT’s history alumni include a political analyst for the Central Intelligence Agency, an environmental historian for the National Park Service, the dean of a university graduate school, the history department chair at a major university, several archivists and museum curators, numerous school teachers, lawyers and university faculty members.