



# HISTORY

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TO THE HISTORY DEGREE



## ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT.....

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“Making the study of history accessible has been my primary goal since graduating from Franklin Pierce. Without the dedicated faculty in the History Department, I would never have considered a career in museum education.”

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## HISTORY

Franklin Pierce University  
College of Liberal Arts  
and Social Sciences

## ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Studying history helps you understand the world around you more fully. You'll learn more about the issues that divide us and bind us together as a people — social, political, religious, economic, gender and environmental. Integrating the study and practice of public history, the History major builds skills for work in museums, historic sites, digital media, archives, libraries and businesses. Equipped with historical knowledge and the lessons of history, together with the tools of research, analysis and communication, you will be well-positioned for success in a range of fields.

## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

As a History major, you'll study U.S., European, and World History, develop critical and evaluative skills through the appraisal of evidence and historical perspectives, and explore core concepts and careers in Public History.

Students have gone on to earn graduate degrees in history, museum studies, government, and law at prestigious institutions, including Boston College, American University, and Trinity College, Dublin, among many others.



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# HISTORY

## COURSES

HISTORY	
HS132	Reel History: American Stories on Film
HS201	U.S. to War of 1812
HS202	American History in the Age of Slavery/Civil War
HS204	U.S. History Since 1945
HS210	Sports Cultures and American History
HS214	Introduction to Public History
HS222	Ancient History
HS223	Medieval History
HS224	Renaissance to Napoleon
HS229	Thrones & Drones: Modern European History
HS235	Topics in World History
HS240	American Environmental History
HS308	From Sea to Shining Sea: The Geography of the United States
HS310	Oral History
HS313	U.S. Labor History
HS314	American Immigrant History
HS319	History of New England
HS320	African-American History
HS322	Gender History
HS329	The National Parks
HS337	Nazi Germany
HS340	Ireland Since 1500
HS341	American Women's History
HS377	Topics in Public History: Archival Methods/Historic Preservation/Museum Studies
HS495	Public History Internship

\*Please refer to the Academic Catalog for full listing of elective options

## WHERE CAN MY MAJOR LEAD ME?

With your History degree, you will be prepared for career opportunities or further education in:

Advertising/Media/ Communications	Journalist
Archivist	Law (Lawyer, Paralegal)
Business Owner and Manager	Museum Professional
Curator and Exhibit Designer	Public Administration Professional
Digital Historian	Public Policy Analyst
Documentary Editor	Researcher
Education Administrator	Sales and Marketing
Government Professional	Social Worker
	Teacher

## WHO SHOULD MAJOR IN HISTORY?

You'll find this major a good fit if you have or want to develop:

- Curiosity about the past and those who lived it
- Understanding of issues, ideas and events that inform today's world
- Analytical and historical research skills
- Excellent written and oral communication skills
- Strong foundation for positions in the legal field

## STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESS

Franklin Pierce's History program offers a range of opportunities for students to enhance skill development through:

- Complete professional internships and connect with industry professionals
- Serve and hold office in the Student Government Association
- Serve as a Peer Leader or a Community Assistant
- Join and take leadership roles in FPU's History Club
- Join professional organizations such as the American Historical Association
- Participate in Phi Alpha Theta, the History Honor Society

Students have completed internships at Acadia National Park, Colonial Williamsburg, the National Basketball Hall of Fame, Monadnock Developmental Services, and the Museum of the City of New York.

## PROGRAM BENEFITS

Franklin Pierce's comprehensive Public History Program offers students an ideal opportunity for:

- Individualized preparation and mentorship with faculty
- Rewarding careers in a range of industries and non-profit organizations including museums and historic sites, digital history, archives and library science, historic preservation, heritage tourism, oral history and film, consulting and civil service
- Professional internships opportunities throughout New England, nationally and internationally

The Program prepares students for a range of fulfilling career tracks, including:

- Law, Government, Public Policy, Political Campaigns
- Business: Marketing, Sales, Advertising, Management
- Education: Elementary, Middle School, High School, Higher Education
- Public History: Historic sites, Museums, Archives, Cultural Centers, Digital Environments, including Education Technology, Data Security, Information Management, and more.

The Program provides flexibility for majors and minors:

- Major Concentrations in Public History, Social Studies, and U.S., European, World History
- Elective courses: National, World, thematic