



Bachelor of Arts **HISTORY**

The Department of History is a deeply engaged community where students develop their human values, critical thinking skills and an appreciation of issues that have been of continual importance.

The department offers a wide variety of courses that cover diverse themes. Some focus on specific time periods, while others take a regional approach. All courses are intended to show that the study of history is exciting, vibrant and vitally relevant to understanding the world in which we live.

History students have the opportunity to work closely with internationally recognized scholars committed to providing students with the knowledge and skills necessary for success in many professions.

Our students graduate with the ability to understand how the events of the past, the reality of today and the direction of the future inseparably connect.

PROGRAM FEATURES

**Phi Alpha Theta
National Honor
Society**

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Creation Opportunities**

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Research**

**Public History
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I chose to study history because, quite honestly, I love it. I think that history is beautiful and that the words people have said, the actions they've carried out and their stories are each like their own works of art. It's like a story that never ends as we constantly keep writing and interpreting it.

ALYSSA RODRIGUEZ
BA History

The Major

The Department of History offers two BA degree programs: history and social science.

Students choose from courses with a regional and temporal focus such as those on pre-modern Europe, 20th-century Europe, early North America, the modern United States, Asia, and Latin America as well as global and transnational history courses and courses in environmental history and the history of science. Two minors, in history and public history and museum studies, are also offered for students who wish to complement their major in another discipline.

The Experience

Students in the department have the opportunity to participate in summer research projects, role-playing pedagogies, field trips to historic locations and digital history exhibit and website creation (e.g., Delta region stories and the Digital Delta Project). These are just a few of the ways Pacific makes history come alive.

Overview

Pacific's history department offers range and depth in our course offerings and a chance to study in small classes with faculty members who love what they do. We also offer students the opportunity to conduct research they are interested in under faculty guidance.

Through our foundation courses, we make sure our students have the knowledge and skills they need to succeed in subsequent courses. Classes such as Historical Imagination train students in the historian's craft and prepare them further for their own future research, while courses like Women in Time and Place allow students to examine the social, political and economic aspects of history through a more focused lens.

Teaching Credential Track

Teaching credential candidates wishing to qualify to teach history or other social sciences at the secondary level should complete the Single Subject Credential in the Social Sciences. Information on specific course requirements may be obtained from your adviser or the department chair. For other credential requirements, students should consult faculty in the School of Education.

OUTCOMES

History and social sciences graduates go on to diverse careers in fields such as education, law, research, libraries and archives and museums.

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