

What Sets Our History Department Apart?

Q: We frequently talk about skills that we expect students in our majors to acquire: critical thinking, communication, research and analysis, organization, and empathy. In addition to these more general skills, are there specific skills that your program offers to prospective students?

A: Our programs give students a unique, in-depth perspective on global/international issues and current events. Our programs also offer multicultural classes, focusing not only on America and Europe, but also on African and Middle Eastern history. This diversity helps students become critical thinkers, and helps them deal with many issues that they may encounter at their future workplaces.



Q: How does your program give students an advantage in today's job market?

A: The History major is a well-known major, as it was established in universities long ago. When employers meet with a History student, they know that they are dealing with somebody who is a critical thinker, someone who can write clearly and concisely before a deadline, and somebody who is not limited to a Eurocentric view of the world.



Q: What jobs / careers are students in your major best positioned to pursue?

A: History majors are encouraged to find a job that they love. The major is a flexible one that will help students get almost any job in today's work force. There are some that we would particularly recommend, however, as a great number of our alumni have gone into these fields, such as law, education (including higher education), journalism, archiving, historian, filmmaking, politics, broadcasting, editing, and publishing. Additionally, History majors can become librarians, diplomats, public historians, curators, or analysts.

The Bottom Line

The History program at Rowan University has more programs and a wider range of diversity than most History departments our size throughout the country. We also offer a 4 + 1 program, in which students can earn a Bachelor's degree and a Master's degree in 5 years, saving 40% of the cost they would spend getting each degree separately. Overall, the History program is highly flexible, allowing students to be creative and widen their boundaries, as well as preparing students for graduate school and then the job market.