Today’s employment marketplace seeks people who are critically informed, culturally literate, capable of synthesizing information, and adept at creating and managing knowledge. Study history online at Queen’s with this general BA and you will acquire such skills while examining the roots of contemporary societies throughout the world.

PROGRAM PLAN
The Bachelor of History program plan consists of 90.0 units. 60.0 of these units are electives which can be taken from any subject, at any level and in any order, as long as you have (or obtain) the prerequisites for any 200 or 300-level courses. The other 30.0 units must be taken as described below.

CORE COURSES (6.0 UNITS)
Complete 6.00 units from the following:
• HIST 124 (6.0 units): Canada: A History of the Present
• HIST 125 (6.0 units): The Evolution of Modern Europe

OPTION COURSES (24.0 UNITS)
• Complete 18.0 units of HIST at the 200-level or above
• Complete 6.0 units of HIST at the 100- or 200-level

ELECTIVES (60.0 UNITS)
60.0 additional units selected from all course offerings.

YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE

HIST 214/3.0 Food in Global History
Students closely study ancient trade contacts, gender-based food marketing, and nutritional challenges for low income groups.

HIST 270/3.0 Contemporary China
Students will aim to place the dynamics of recent social and economic change in historical perspective through familiarization with deep continuities of urbanization, environmental challenges, cultural expectations, and gender norms.

HIST 207/3.0 Global Indigenous Studies
Students will explore the causes, conflicts, and consequences that have occurred wherever Indigenous communities have encountered colonizing invaders including the Roman invasion of Gaul, Canada, and Taiwan, as well as definitions of Indigeneity, the concept and legacies of colonization, ongoing decolonization and reconciliation efforts, and how we, as historians, can approach, understand, and further explore these questions, legacies, and movements.

ARTS AND SCIENCE ONLINE
STUDENT PROFILE

57% of students work full time
15% of students work part time
37% are parents/guardians
10% of students are self employed

Click here to get more information about online students.
History ONLINE BACHELOR OF ARTS MAP

GET THE COURSES YOU NEED

EARLY STAGES
- Initially you will have the chance to explore the foundations of History along with some electives.
- Then, start going deeper into the discipline of History, and consider adding a certificate such as Employment Relations.
- Want to make sure your academics are where you want them to be? Visit Queen’s Student Academic Support Services and the Writing Centre websites for help.

LATER STAGES
- Start grouping courses in areas of interest, or keep it more general and explore many areas of History.
- Book an online appointment with an Academic Advisor to make sure you are on track and have planned out your courses for the final stages of your degree.

BUILD SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE

- Investigate requirements for future full-time jobs or other career-related opportunities. Assess what experience you’re lacking and fill in gaps with volunteering or clubs.
- Start collecting stories and evidence of your experiences to use in future resumes, cover letters, interviews, and portfolios.

- Consider contributing to publications such as Ultraviolet Magazine or the Queen’s Journal.
- Volunteer to be an Arts and Science Online (ASO) Peer mentor.

GET CONNECTED WITH THE COMMUNITY

- Join groups on LinkedIn reflecting specific careers or topics of interest in Global Development Studies.
- Reach out to the ASO Student Engagement Lead to get connected with peer mentors.
- Follow Arts and Science Online on Facebook to connect with us.

- Do targeted networking with alumni working in careers of interest by joining the LinkedIn group Queen’s Connects.
- Check out Career Services networking workshops.
- Look for volunteer opportunities in your community such as the 211 Ontario or Charity Village that can polish your skills.

ENGAGE WITH DIVERSITY

- Prepare for work or studies in a multi-cultural environment by taking a QUIC’s Intercultural Awareness Certificate, and research possible immigration regulations.
- Consider a study abroad experience at Bader College in England.

- Build your intercultural competence by getting involved with other cultures or by practicing or improving your language skills.
- Explore workshops from the Human Rights and Equity Office on a wide range of topics in Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion.

GET READY FOR LIFE AFTER GRADUATION

- Get some help with exploring career options from Career Services. A career coach can help you think through possibilities, take stock of your experience, and figure out next steps to move in the direction of your career goals.
- Explore different careers of interest by joining the LinkedIn group Queen’s Connects.
- Follow Arts and Science Online on Facebook to connect with us.

- Start focusing on areas of interest. Research education requirements for careers of interest. If needed, prepare to take any required tests (like the LSAT or GMAT) and get help thinking about post-degree studies from Career Services.
- Apply to jobs or consider furthering your education by applying to a Professional Masters program or a post-degree program. Seek support from Career Services with job searching, resumes, interviews, or applications.

HOW TO USE THIS MAP:
Is a career change or further education in your future? Use the 5 categories of the map to explore possibilities and plan for success in the five overlapping areas of career and academics.

WHAT WILL I LEARN?
A degree in History can equip you with the skills to:
- Think critically and systematically
- Generate ideas about complex subjects
- Use methods of analysis and logical reasoning
- Form and defend positions
- Consider unfamiliar ideas and evaluate opposing arguments
- Identify underlying assumptions across a range of issues
- Summarize and communicate complex material
- Speak and write at a superior level
- Interpret historical and contemporary ideas and texts
- Transferable skills that can be gained through an interdisciplinary approach to intellectual inquiry, argument and analysis

WHERE CAN I GO?
A degree in History can take your career in many directions. Our students are equipped with a strong foundation for careers in:
- Anthropology
- Archaeology
- Archival science
- Business administration and management
- Ethics
- Genealogical research
- Intelligence analysis
- International development
- International relations
- Journalism
- Medical records & research
- Museum curator
- Museum management
- Tourism and travel

Some careers may require additional training or experience.

WHAT ABOUT GRADUATE SCHOOL AND FURTHER EDUCATION?
When investigating requirements for careers of interest, be sure to take note of educational requirements – particularly if they require further education beyond a bachelor’s degree. While there are many programs open to 3-year degree graduates, some may require a 4-year degree, the equivalent of a 4-year degree, or a combination of education and experience.

For graduate school programs requiring a 4-year degree, you might want to consider:
- Getting additional work experience before applying to further education to apply later as a mature student.
- Extending your 3-year degree by adding a certificate or additional courses to be equivalent to a 4-year degree.
- Taking additional colleges courses or a 1-year diploma at a college to make up the equivalent of a 4-year degree.
- Exploring if it is possible to take required courses at the future institution during a year as a qualifying student before beginning graduate education.
- Research programs that are more flexible in their requirements. In particular, private institutions, college post-grad diplomas, and intentional programs (e.g. Europe) where 3-year undergrad degrees are a common requirement to apply for an MA program.
- Learning from your classmates about what programs they are applying to with their 3-year online degrees.
- Read the article Post-Graduate Options for General (90.0 unit Bachelor’s Degree).
Application FAQs

How does ONLINE LEARNING work?
Find out how online learning works here.

When can I APPLY?
Learn more about key dates for admission applications here.

What do I need to know to APPLY?
Queen's Arts and Science Online has several admission categories for students with diverse educational backgrounds. Choose the right one for you here.

Am I eligible for TRANSFER CREDITS?
Find out more details about credit transfers here.

TUITION Fees?
For information about fees and tuition, please check the Registrar and Financial Aid Services.

Add a CERTIFICATE

ACADEMIC WRITING
Students will be given the opportunity to enhance and accredit their writing skills, enabling them to communicate effectively and prepare for future writing tasks in both academic and professional contexts.

EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS
Students will be introduced to the theory, policy and legal frameworks behind the employment relationship, and how these can be applied to assess workplace challenges and problems.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP, INNOVATION & CREATIVITY
Students will have the opportunity to study and practice skills in marketing and promotion as well as finance and business planning.

FRENCH FOR PROFESSIONALS
Students will obtain the necessary language skills to effectively work in a bilingual professional environment.

GLOBAL ACTION & ENGAGEMENT
Students will explore concepts related to the political, economic, social and cultural forces that shape contemporary global interactions.

MEDIA STUDIES
Students will have the opportunity to develop and accredit their fluency in the foundations of media and cultural studies.

Learn more on our certificates on our program site.