The study of history will help you sharpen your skills of analysis, discussion, research, and writing - all while critically exploring the roots of contemporary issues throughout the world. Students of history at Queen’s can explore a broad menu of topics, as diverse as the Crusades, Slavery, and Race Relations, Indigenous History in the Americas, the Russian Revolution, 20th Century Canada, the Economic Development of Africa, and the Perception and Treatment of Women in North America.

For more information, contact quip@queensu.ca or visit the Program Website.
**2019-2020**

**History MAJOR MAP**

**BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONOURS): MAJOR, MINOR**

### 1ST YEAR

**GET THE COURSES YOU NEED**

In first year you will have the chance to explore the foundations of History along with some electives.

- Attend **Majors Night** in the Winter term to learn more about Plan options.

### 2ND YEAR

**GET THE COURSES YOU NEED**

Start going deeper into the discipline of History, while considering a minor and/or certificate such as Employment Relations. Attend Degree + in the Fall term to learn more about **Certificates** and Internship options.

- Want to make sure your academics are where you want them to be? Visit **SASS (Student Academic Support Services)** and the Writing Centre for some help.

### 3RD YEAR

**GET THE COURSES YOU NEED**

A chance to start grouping courses in areas of interest, or to keep it more general and explore many areas of History. Meet with an **Academic Advisor** to make sure you are on track and have planned out your courses for next year.

- **Careers**
  - **Entry-level**
  - **Graduate School**
  - **Research**
  - **Internship**
  - **Summer jobs**

**GET RELEVANT EXPERIENCE**

- Look into **summer jobs** by talking to the dept. or Career Services about work through **SWEP or Work Study**
- Consider taking more responsibility within different extracurriculars. Think about applying to positions in student services, the AMS, or media outlets like the **Queen’s Journal**, **CFRC**, and **QTV**

**GET CONNECTED WITH THE COMMUNITY**

- Volunteer on or off-campus with different community organizations, museums, and cultural studies groups, such as the **AMS Social Issues Commission (AMS) and the **Queen's Get Involved** page for more ideas.
- **Volunteer** at organizations like the **Queen’s Archives**

**GET THINKING GLOBALLY**

- Prepare for work or studies in a multi-cultural environment by taking **QUIC’s Intercultural Competency Certificate**, and research possible immigration regulations.
- Speak to a **QUIC advisor** to get involved in their programs, events, and training opportunities.
- Is an exchange in your future? Start thinking about where you would like to study abroad. Apply in January for a third year exchange through **The International Programs Office**
- Interested in British History? Consider taking a special **History course cluster** at our Castle campus in England during the Fall term.

**GET READY FOR LIFE AFTER GRADUATION**

- Grappling with program decisions? Go to **Majors Night** or get some help wondering about career options from Career Services.
- Explore different careers of interest by reading books in the Career Services library, such as Top Careers for History Graduates. For more information check out **Career Cruising** or by finding and connecting with alumni on LinkedIn.
- 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 **Grad School** from Career Services.

### 4TH OR FINAL YEAR

**CO-OP SEMESTER**

In fourth year you will have the chance to participate in research-based courses that can lead to **Graduate School** or to your future career path. Make sure to finish up all your courses for your major and your optional minor and/or certificate(s).

**WHERE CAN I GO?**

A degree in History can take your career in many directions. Many students choose to continue their academic inquiry with a Master’s. Our students are equipped with a strong foundation for careers in:

- **Anthropology**
- **Archival science**
- **Genealogical research**
- **Intelligence analysis**
- **Library science**
- **Museum curator**
- **Policy analyst**
- **Public administration**
- **Technical writing**

Taking time to explore career options, build experience and network can help you have a smooth transition to the world of work after graduation.

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- **Visit careers.queensu.ca/majormaps for the online version with links!**
- **My Major Map tool.**

* This map is intended to provide suggestions for activities and careers, but everyone’s abilities, experiences, and constraints are different. Build your own Major Map using our online My Major Map tool.