

## History

### At UW-Eau Claire

Are you intrigued by events and people from the past? Ever wonder how the interactions between the diverse peoples and cultures of the past shape our lives today? As a History major you will explore how men



and women, famous and ordinary, lived in the past. You will obtain the kind of perspective that is valuable in evaluating the institutions, ideas and values of the present day. You will develop an understanding of how and why societies and cultures change or do not change over time.

### Strong skills

You will learn to read critically, manage and analyze information, build logical arguments and write persuasively. You will also learn to conduct independent research, evaluate the views of historical scholars and produce a major research paper. Whether you're preparing for graduate studies, a career in teaching or numerous other fields, UW-Eau Claire's History major

provides the optimal setting to earn your degree.

### Internships

Public History majors are required to complete an internship for credit before graduation. Public History interns from UW-Eau Claire regularly work at the Chippewa Valley Museum and at a variety of other historical organizations throughout Wisconsin. Most internships offer academic credit and some are paid.

### Why UW-Eau Claire?

The senior thesis ensures that every history major will conduct research; this is a unique and marketable advantage. In addition, we have professional historians in U.S., European, Asian, Middle East and Latin American

history who can prepare you with a breadth of knowledge that will enable you to succeed in the 21st-century world.

### Get personal

All students write a senior thesis; this is an original piece of extensive research based on primary sources. During this process, you'll work collaboratively with the professor leading the seminar and with a cooperating professor of your choice. In fact, our History department faculty members received the 1992 and 1997 UW System Regents Award for Excellence in Teaching and a departmental teaching award in 2006.

*"The history professors stress that history is more than just events on a timeline. It is interesting to realize how connected different events are, and how they are relevant, even today. This way of thinking about history will prepare me for my goal of teaching."*

— Jared



### Our graduates

The skills History majors gain in research, analysis and writing are valued by a variety of businesses and public sector employers. Typical

positions for history majors include teaching; working for a government agency as a researcher, analyst or information processor; or working at a

museum, historic preservation agency or historic park.

### Majors

History, Liberal Arts  
History, Liberal Arts, Public History Emphasis  
History, Teaching

### Minors

History, Liberal Arts  
History, Teaching

### Course work

Most students take 30 credits (15 credits each semester) their freshman year.

### Suggested freshman curriculum

World History to 1500  
University writing requirement — depending on placement exam.  
For test-out options, see uwec.edu/Blugoldseminar/testout.  
World History since 1500  
Social Science electives  
Natural Science electives  
Humanities electives  
Communication elective

### Places you'll find recent graduates:

- *Small Exhibit Coordinator*, Chippewa Valley Museum, Eau Claire, WI
- *Administrative Trainee*, Quad Graphics Inc.
- *Legislative Aide*, State of Wisconsin
- *Social Studies Teacher*, Maple Grove School District, Maple Grove, MN
- *Curator*, Green Bay Packers Hall of Fame

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### Why not?

Since summer 2013, Public History students will have an opportunity to learn about preservation and interpretation in England during a short-term study abroad program created in collaboration with Harlaxton College.

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