

HISTORY



Successful outcomes

A history major prepares students to approach real-world situations from a unique and educated perspective. Some of our graduates have continued their studies in graduate programs at prestigious institutions such as:

- American University School of Law
- Duke University
- George Mason University
- James Madison University
- Oxford University
- University of Pennsylvania School of Law
- Wake Forest University

Top pre-professional tracks

- Engineering
- Law
- Medical



What can I do with this major

Students with degrees in history engage in robust careers as:

- Advertising Executive
- Analyst
- Archivist
- Banker
- Business Professional
- Campaign Worker
- Congressional Aide
- Historian
- History Teacher
- Journalist
- Lobbyist
- Public Relations Professional
- Real Estate Agent
- White House Aide

Why should I major in history at HPU?

- Develop skills to prepare for work in any field: how to conduct research, analyze findings, draw evidence-based conclusions and present findings to the public
- Direct access to professors who enhance learning through unique instruction techniques and innovative ideas
- Gain the ability to think critically, analyze complex issues, make sagacious inferences and contribute meaningful insights
- Immerse within a versatile undergraduate major that touches upon all forms of human society from arts and languages to sciences and economics
- Take courses on the history of North America, Europe, Latin America, the Middle East, Asia and Africa

Holistic learning

Every fall, HPU hosts the Gunther E. Rothenberg Seminar in Military History, a tribute to Professor Rothenberg's scholarship and dedication to the field of military history. A world-renowned military historian, he authored scores of books and articles on a wide-range of military history, with particular emphasis on the Habsburg Empire and the Napoleonic Wars. Leading scholars have been invited to present their most recent research and latest interpretations with a changing military history theme each year. Their papers serve as a point of departure for extensive discussion and debate of the subject matter. The seminar is open to the university community and the public. Students and scholars from across the country attend this prestigious event.

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Getting involved

The department sponsors Phi Alpha Theta, a history honors society, and a History Club open not only to students majoring in history, but also to those students who have an interest in learning about the past. History majors have completed internships at:

- Heritage Foundation, District of Columbia
- High Point Museum
- Local legal firms
- Naval History and Heritage Command
- Old Salem, Winston-Salem, N.C.



Students within HPU's History program travel to the Louvre in Paris, France

Expanding horizons

The History Department offers Study Abroad Maymester programs to Europe, China and in the future plans to offer a trip to Israel. Our professors have led semester-long programs in the past to Oxford Brookes University and the HPU in Prague program. Additionally, our professors have led students in Maymester trips along the Mississippi River and to China.

History majors have studied abroad at Oxford Brooks University and Westminster College in Oxford, England. Our students have also studied at the prestigious St. Andrews University in Scotland, the University of Swansea in Wales and most recently participated in our semester program in Prague, Czech Republic.



HPU students enjoy internships at the U.S. Capitol in the District of Columbia

Commitment to excellence

The history program at HPU prepares students for a changing world by helping them understand their place in the broader human experience. Our students apply the skills they learn in the major—planning and conducting research, analysis, writing and communication—to any path they choose in life, whether it is in academia or within a professional or business career. History majors learn to think critically, analyze complex issues, make sagacious inferences and contribute meaningful insights.

Meet Gabrielle

Hometown: Williamsburg, Va.

Major: History

Minor: Business Administration

Campus Involvement: Homefront Hugs, HPU Radio, CollegeLife, Equestrian Team, Phonathon Caller for Institutional Advancement, Academic Tutor

Leadership Positions: Founding President of Homefront Hugs

Why I Chose HPU: "I really loved President Qubein and his message of being extraordinary. I have always wanted to do something with my life that would make a difference and I really did feel like High Point University was the school to help me do that."



For more information about HPU's History Program, contact: