HISTORY

From Study to Skills
The history major provides perspective for reflection on the present and strengthens students’ abilities to read critically, to think analytically, and to write clearly. History majors develop skills in research, writing, and critical thinking, as well as gain a perspective on events that have shaped the contemporary world. The mastery of these skills is essential for success in teaching, business, graduate study (including the study of law), and in life as an informed citizen. History graduates work in a wide variety of areas including business, law, politics, social services, and education. Many of these students pursue advanced degrees, some in related fields, and some in other areas.

Related Fields: Anthropology, Criminal Justice, English, Journalism, Library and Research, Philosophy, Political Science, Public Policy, and Religion

Skills and Abilities

Communication Skills- Students will learn to write clearly, speak effectively, think analytically, edit, cite sources, and understand global experiences.

Research Skills- Students will develop knowledge of history, become aware of human attributes, patterns, and experiences, analyze primary sources, engage critically with secondary sources, and conduct original research.

Historical Skills- Students will understand historical methodology, explore historical events, and synthesize ideas and discussion.

Internships
In the past, Rutgers-Camden History students have interned with the following employers:

3rd Legislative District of New Jersey
Battleship New Jersey
Burlington County Democratic Committee
Camden County Historical Society
Camden County Prosecutor’s Office
Camden Shipyard & Maritime Museum
Del Val Media, LLC
Franklin Institute
Gloucester County Historical Society
Historical Society of Pennsylvania
King World Media - The Rachael Ray Show
Museum of New Jersey Maritime History
National Constitution Center
NJ State Assoc. of Police Chiefs
Preservation New Jersey
What Careers are Available for History Majors

The following are samples of first jobs of Rutgers-Camden History majors:

Business Development Manager, Marlin Equipment Finance
Correction Officer Trainee, New Jersey Department of Corrections
Correctional Officer, Federal Bureau of Prisons
Customer Service Representative, PHH Mortgage
Paralegal, Petrillo & Goldberg, PC
Police Office, Camden County Police Department
Psychiatric Attendant, Camden County Health Services
Research Librarian, Camden County Historical Society
Recordings Clerk, Somerset County Clerk

Resources

Consider joining a professional organization such as:

American Association of State and Local History
www.aaslh.org
American Alliance of Museums
www.aam-us.org
American Historical Association
www.historians.org
The Society of American Archivists
www.archivists.org

Consider joining Phi Alpha Theta, the Rutgers-Camden History Club, The Gleaner staff, or The Student Government Association.

Assist a faculty member with their research.
Visit RaptorLink for internship opportunities in your field of interest.
Connect with professionals in fields that interest you on LinkedIn.

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