

The following is a sample of occupational titles and work settings related to History.

Keep in mind that career options are not dictated solely by choice of major.

Just as there are many careers open to graduates of any major, there are many paths to careers that do not require a specific degree. Use this information as a beginning guide to exploring options.

Sample Job Titles:

- Administrative Manager
- Antique Dealer
- Architectural Historian
- Archivist
- Auctioneer
- Author
- Biographer
- Collections Manager
- Community Service Manager
- Consultant
- Consumer Affairs Director
- Critic (Book, Drama, Film)
- Cultural Resource Management Specialist
- Cultural Tour Guide
- Demographer
- Document Restorer
- Editor
- Education Administrator
- Educator Docent
- Ethics and Compliance Officer
- Exhibit Designer
- FBI/CIA Agent
- Folklorist
- Foreign Correspondent
- Foreign Service Officer
- Genealogist
- Government Service Executive
- Grants Specialist
- Grant Writer
- High School Teacher
- Historian (with grad. training)
- Historical Consultant
- Historical Museum Administrative Assistant
- Historical Projects Coordinator
- Historical Research Assistant
- Information Specialist
- Institutional Researcher
- Insurance Agent
- Interpreter
- Journalist
- Lawyer (with legal training)
- Legislative Analyst/Aide
- Legislator
- Librarian
- Lobbyist
- Manuscript Reader
- Missionary
- Museum Conservators
- Museum Curator
- Museum Education Officer
- Museum Guide
- Museum Technician
- News Editor
- Newspaper Reporter
- News Producer
- Paralegal/Legal Assistant
- Park Ranger for Historical Monuments
- Preservation Worker
- Professor
- Public Administrator
- Public Relations Specialist
- Publication Researcher
- Records Manager
- Research Assistant
- Research Library Assistant
- Research Writer
- Researcher
- Sales Representative
- Scriptwriter/Screenwriter
- Survey Researcher
- Tour Guide
- Training & Development Specialist
- Travel Guide
- Urban and Regional Planner
- Volunteer Coordinator
- Writer

Possible Professional Settings:

- Archives
- Chambers of Commerce
- City Government
- Colleges & Universities
- Consulting Agencies
- Corporations
- Exhibits
- Federal Government Agencies
- Film Companies
- Historic Preservation Boards
- Historical Societies
- Immunization & Naturalization Services
- International Government Agencies
- Insurance Companies
- Interpretive Centers
- Law Firms
- Law Enforcement Agencies
- Libraries
- Museums
- National/State Parks
- TV/Radio/Cable Companies
- Travel Agencies
- Magazines & Newspapers
- Non Government Organizations (NGO's)
- Non-Profit Organizations
- Political Campaigns
- Public Interest Advocacy Groups
- Publishing Companies
- School Districts
- State Government Agencies
- Foundations, Non-profit

Resources:

The following lists are samples of resources available for learning more about majors and careers.

Websites Related to this Field

- Smithsonian Institution Career Center: www.sihr.si.edu/jobs.cfm
- The National Archives: www.archives.gov/careers

Professional Associations - Samples

- American Association for State & Local History: www.aaslh.org
- American Historical Association: www.historians.org
- American Studies Association: www.theasa.net
- Historians Film Committee: www.filmandhistory.org
- Northwest Historical Association: <http://www.nwha.org/>
- Northwest Oral History Association: <http://northwestoralhistory.org/>
- Washington State Historical Society: <http://www.wshs.org/>
- National Council on Public History: www.ncph.org
- Organization of American Historians: www.oah.org
- Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations: www.shafr.org

General Career Information

- Washington Occupation Information System: www.wois.org Site Key: KTX478
- Occupational Outlook Handbook: www.bls.gov/oco
- The Occupational Information Network, (O*Net): www.onetcenter.org

SPU Resources

- History Department Website: <http://www.spu.edu/depts/history/>
- Major & Career Exploration (GS 2001 - 2 credits, offered every quarter)
- Career Counseling: call 206.281.2485 or stop by the Center for Career and Calling on the second floor of the SUB
- Academic Advising: www.spu.edu/depts/sas
- Academic Catalog: www.spu.edu/academics.aspx
- On Track Degree Planner: <http://spu.edu/academics/on-track-degree-planner/>

SPU Student Groups

- History Club: http://www.spu.edu/depts/history/history_club.html

* Websites are current as of September 2011. If any go inactive, please let us know.