

B.A. History | Major Map

2022 GRADUATE CAREER OUTCOMES

Based on information from 80% of graduates

100% Secured Employment

100% Admitted Into Graduate School or Professional Program

POPULAR CAREERS

- **State & Local Government:** public policy writer, urban planner, community affairs director, social worker, law enforcement agent, city or town manager
- **Federal Government:** foreign service official, legislator, judge, archivist, museum curator
- **Politics:** campaign manager, political advertising agent, lobbyist
- **Law:** prosecutor, defense attorney, mediator
- **Nonprofit:** public relations specialist, grant writer, fundraising/development director, volunteer coordinator
- **Education:** teacher, community outreach director, researcher, librarian

POPULAR EMPLOYERS

Cities, libraries, museums, school districts, legislative agencies, court systems, government agencies, political parties, law firms, corporations, camps, national & state parks, boards of education, universities & colleges

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCES

- **Internships**
 - Capitol Hill
 - Center for Western Studies
 - Colonial National Historic Park
 - Congressional offices
 - Law offices
 - Lutheran College Washington Semester (LCWS)
 - Norwegian Embassy
 - Siouxland Heritage Museum
 - South Dakota Bureau of Personnel
- **Example Research Topics**
 - Bureaucracy Ruins the Treatment of Mental Health for Individuals
 - 9/11: An Intelligence Failure
 - Female Missionaries of Sioux County
 - The Yellow Fever Epidemic
 - How Do American Institutions Play Into the Rise or Fall of the United States?
 - Eugenics in Feminism
- **Study Away**
 - AU Faculty-Led: Paradise Lost: Germs Gone Wild in Hawaii



WHY STUDY HISTORY?

Did you know that history graduates earn more than any other discipline in the humanities? Did you know that more American presidents have majored in history than any other discipline? Did you know that you can do more than just teach with a history degree? As the American Historical Association documents, the sky is the limit for a history major. Augustana history faculty members can share both this pamphlet and an unlimited number of possible careers a historian might undertake. The study of history makes the present more understandable, which is why the saying, 'history does not judge the past, historians do,' emerged.

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FIRST YEAR

MIDDLE YEAR(S)

LAST YEAR

EXCEL ACADEMICALLY

- Review SOPHIA and program requirements with your academic advisor.
- Review your degree audit report, and create a plan of study in Academic Planner.
- Enroll in HIST 110 & 111.
- Participate in FYS 112 to confirm your major, hear from upper-level students about signature experiences and chart a personalized plan for your engagement.
- Choose or confirm your major(s) or minor(s).
- Pursue academic excellence in history courses so you are eligible for Phi Alpha Theta your junior year.

- Explore minors or elective credits that interest you.
- Contact the Student Success Center to declare any second majors or minors.
- Determine your interest in adding the public history emphasis to your major.
- Enroll in HIST 120 & 121 and other elective courses in American, European and Latin American history.
- Engage in research in HIST 251, and present your work at the annual research symposium.

- Apply to graduate no later than Oct. 1. Review the degree audit provided by the Registrar's Office.
- Complete your capstone project in HIST 490, and present it during the research symposium.
- Enroll in remaining required courses and electives.
- Complete your optional honors thesis.

ENGAGE & APPLY YOUR LEARNING

- Access your Viking Central account.
- Participate in campus clubs and organizations such as the Anthropology Club, International Club, Augustana University Education Association and Serving and Learning Together (SALT).
- Explore study-away opportunities at the study-away fairs.
- Create an account in Augie Opportunities.

- Attend the Sophomore Retreat.
- Engage in campus leadership, internships, service and relevant summer employment.
- Apply to be a Peace Scholar.
- Participate in the alumni mentor program.
- Consider elite scholarship opportunities, such as the Fulbright, Rhodes or Truman.
- Earn the Diversity Advocate Certificate.
- Apply for Knight Internship Funds and ASA transportation funds. Pursue elite fellowships.

- Take standardized exams (e.g., GRE), and share your application to graduate or professional schools with your advisor and CAP specialist for feedback.
- Attend the BIG (Business, Industry and Government) Career & Internship Fair.
- Continue to connect with alumni.
- Participate in mock interviews and networking events.
- Complete the career outcome survey to update us of your employment or enrollment in graduate school.
- Join the Augustana alumni community.

CHART YOUR COURSE TODAY!

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