

St. John's College of Liberal Arts and Sciences



## **Master of Arts in History**

#### **ABOUT THE M.A. IN HISTORY**

The Master of Arts program in History is designed for students seeking to acquire indepth knowledge of historical events and processes and a comprehensive understanding of the issues and events that shape today's global society. While working with dedicated teachers who are active researchers and internationally renowned scholars in their fields, you acquire advanced research, writing, and communication skills. Our course offerings include the histories of the Americas, Europe, Africa, and Asia, with an emphasis on global interactions from premodern to contemporary times.

The 33-credit master's program, designed to accommodate both full- and part-time graduate students, is flexible enough for your individual research interests and professional goals. After completing a two-semester sequence in historical methods and historiography, you can design your own program with a concentration in United States or world history. If you wish to research a specific topic in greater depth or are considering further graduate work in history, you can enroll in a two-semester thesis project, after consultation with the program director and a potential faculty mentor.

#### WHAT CAN I DO WITH AN M.A. IN HISTORY?

The study of history helps you develop the analytical and communication skills necessary for success in most fields. As a historian with an advanced degree, you are excellently equipped to follow an array of career paths including education, law, journalism, politics, communications, technology, business, research, art, advertising, finance, urban and regional planning, forestry, and medicine. With the introduction of digital history, opportunities are also growing in such fields as television, online media, and information technology.

Many recent graduates of the M.A. program in History have also gone on to pursue doctoral degrees either at St. John's or at other national and international universities. Others have gone on to teach at secondary schools. Still others have landed positions in publishing, public relations, public history, and secondary and higher education administration.





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#### **MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR**

The Department of History at St. John's University is committed to academic excellence, analytic rigor, and creative engagement within the field of history and the world at large. While our faculty is internationally recognized for cutting-edge research, we are also dedicated teachers of history. We train our full-time and part-time graduate students to develop their skills as researchers and writers, and we work with students to further their professional goals.

The M.A. program in History offers more than just an academic degree. We offer a community of scholarship, intellectual engagement, and professional success.

Welcome to St. John's!

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#### RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

We welcome you to the Department of History's active intellectual community. The department regularly invites renowned scholars to talk about their research or insights about historical issues. We also sponsor an international conference, World History Theory and Practice, where qualified students present their work. Our faculty mentor you as you present research at national conferences and you can also join the editorial team that publishes the undergraduate history journal, *Historia et memoria*.

As a graduate student in history at St. John's, you have the added advantage of New York City's archives, libraries, museums, nongovernmental organizations, arts councils, historical societies, and businesses. Our faculty members build and maintain relationships with these sites to provide you with internship and work experiences that you will not find anywhere else. We also offer opportunities for interdisciplinary study in public history, museum studies, and library and information science to provide you with a graduate education experience that is truly unique.

#### ASSISTANTSHIPS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND FINANCIAL AID

The University awards a limited number of graduate assistantships to highly qualified students each year. These positions provide tuition remission and a stipend and involve assisting faculty with their research.

For more information about assistantships, as well as other types of financial aid and scholarship awards, please visit the Graduate Admission page at **www.stjohns.edu/admission/graduate**.

# PROGRAM INFORMATION AND APPLICATIONS

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