Pete Smith

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Education

University of Maryland, College Park   (Aug 2019 – Present)

- Bachelor of Arts, History; Bachelor of Science, Computer Science; Minor, Trumpet Performance
- Diploma Expected Dec 2024
- Cumulative GPA: 3.356 (Aug 2023)
- Relevant Coursework: HIST354 – Antebellum America (1815-1861); HIST357 – Recent America (1945-Present); HIST429A – Sex and Class in Victorian Britain; HIST319R – Genghis Khan and the Mongols
- Member: History Undergraduate Association

Skills and Attributes

- Skills: Written and oral communication, critical thinking, research, teamwork, customer service
- Attributes: Punctual, efficient, organized
- Software: Proficient in Microsoft Office and Google Docs Suites
- Other Skills: Programming languages – Python, Java, C, Rust, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, SQL

Selected Papers

"*American Notes*: Exploring Antebellum Institutionalism"   (HIST354, Spring 2023, UMD)

- In the context of the critiques in Charles Dickens' *American Notes*, this paper examines a variety of institutions central to Antebellum America. The paper explores the nature of institutions including slavery, prison reform, and mental asylums, contextualized by other contemporary and modern authors including Alexis de Tocqueville and David J. Rothman, in order to show these institutions' roles in the rapidly increasing societal division seen at the time.

"Masculinity in Victorian Britain"   (HIST429A, Fall 2022, UMD)

- This paper explores the various elements of what it meant to be masculine in Victorian Britain, namely control of oneself and one's environment and the physical strength that was required. By examining contemporary and modern sources including Rudyard Kipling's "William the Conqueror" and Nadja Durbach's "Monstrosity, Masculinity, and Medicine," the paper shows how systemic masculinity was spread and how it was both accepted and challenged throughout society.

Work Experience

Web Development Intern (Univ. of Maryland)   (Jun 2023 – Present)

- Creating a comet statistic site for the NASA Planetary Data System-Small Bodies Node at UMD
- Combining several software suites to create a seamless user experience with desired functionality
- Requires strong teamwork and communication skills; involves significant collaboration with the supervisor and the overall team

Crew Member (McDonald's)   (Jun 2022 – Aug 2022)

- Delivered quick, friendly customer service taking orders and payments for afternoon and night shifts
- Assisted with maintaining store cleanliness in line with company standards
- Required good teamwork and communication to ensure smooth operation