

# Master of Arts in History Public History Specialization Museum Studies Option

**Required History Courses (21 credits)**

HIST501 Historical Method: Historiography \_\_\_\_\_  
 HIST511 Reading Seminar: US to 1877 \_\_\_\_\_  
 HIST512 Reading Seminar: US since 1877 \_\_\_\_\_

Select one of the following:

HIST586 Practicum \_\_\_\_\_  
 HIST587 Internship \_\_\_\_\_

Select one of the following:

HIST611 Research Seminar: United States \_\_\_\_\_  
 HIST640 Research Seminar: State and Local History \_\_\_\_\_

Select two of the following:

HIST520 Reading Seminar: Europe to 1815 \_\_\_\_\_  
 HIST521 Reading Seminar: Europe since 1815 \_\_\_\_\_  
 HIST530 Reading Seminar: Africa \_\_\_\_\_  
 HIST531 Reading Seminar: Latin America \_\_\_\_\_  
 HIST532 Reading Seminar: Middle East \_\_\_\_\_  
 HIST533 Reading Seminar: East Asia \_\_\_\_\_  
 HIST534 Reading Seminar: South Asia \_\_\_\_\_  
 HIST539 Reading Seminar: World Environmental History \_\_\_\_\_

**Museum Studies Option Courses (15 Credits)**

HIST504 Historical Method: Museums \_\_\_\_\_  
 HIST540 Material Culture \_\_\_\_\_

Select one of the following:

HIST502 Historical Method: Archives \_\_\_\_\_  
 HIST503 Historical Method: Historic Preservation \_\_\_\_\_

Select two of the following in consultation with your advisor:

HIST300-600 level courses \_\_\_\_\_  
 DM563 Care and Exhibit of Museum Collections \_\_\_\_\_  
 AM460 Historic Textiles \_\_\_\_\_  
 ANTH478/HIST478 Heritage Resource Management \_\_\_\_\_  
 ANTH551 Historical Archaeology \_\_\_\_\_  
 INTD358 History of American Interiors \_\_\_\_\_  
 NR401 Techniques in Public Relations \_\_\_\_\_  
 POLS351 Public Administration \_\_\_\_\_  
 NRRT371 Techniques in Interpretation \_\_\_\_\_  
 MGT305 Fundamentals of Management \_\_\_\_\_

GS-6 Form (to be completed after 12 credits) \_\_\_\_\_

GS-25 Form (filed at the beginning of the graduation semester) \_\_\_\_\_

**Final Master's Written Examination:**

GS-24 Form (successful completion of oral exam) \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Minimum Credits Required: 36 credits**

Department of History  
Master of Arts in History  
Plan B: Public History Concentration (36 credits)  
Cultural Resources Management \*\* Historic Preservation\*\* Museum Studies

Admissions Requirements

1. All Graduate School requirements as stated in the current Colorado State University (CSU) *Graduate and Professional Bulletin*.
2. Minimum of 21 credits in history.
3. Grade point average in history of at least 3.0 (B).
4. Grade point average in undergraduate classes and any other classes of at least 3.0 (B).
5. The general test of the Graduate Record Examination.
6. Brief personal statement outlining the applicant's interest in graduate study in public history.
7. Three letters of reference, at least two of which must be from an academic familiar with the applicant's work in history.

Degree Requirements

1. Minimum of 36 credits. The Department strongly recommends that the program span at least four semesters, especially for students selecting more than one public history option.
2. For the Plan B: Public History Concentration, 27 credits of history must be in courses 500 level or higher, 24 credits of which must be in "regular courses." Since HIST 354 American Architecture is a required 300-level course for the Historic Preservation Option, Historic Preservation students are only required to take a minimum of 24 credits of history at the 500 level or higher, 21 of which must be in "regular courses." (The Department of History subscribes to the University policy that a student's graduate program consists primarily of "regular course work" – that is, courses other than independent or group studies, open seminars, thesis credits, US travel or study abroad, supervised college teaching, practicum/internship, etc.)
3. HIST 501 Historical Method: Historiography (3 credits).
4. Two reading seminars (6 credits) in US history (HIST 511, 512).
5. Two reading seminars (6 credits) in European or Non-Western history.
6. HIST 640 Research Seminar: State and Local History or HIST 611 U.S. Research Seminar (3 credits).
7. HIST 586/587 *Practicum* or Internship (3 credits).
8. One additional public history methods seminar outside the student's area of concentration.
9. Two courses (6 credits) of electives in a student's area of concentration as indicated on the check sheet or with the approval of his/her adviser.
10. Graduate Advisory Committee (GAC) must be formed immediately after completing 12 credits or by the end of the second semester of enrollment as a graduate student (whichever occurs first). Please refer to "Departmental and University Regulations, Master of Arts in History" at the History Department's web site (<http://www.colostate.edu/Depts/Hist/gradregulations.htm>) for detailed information about the GAC.
11. One history faculty member not primarily involved in public history must be on each student's GAC.
12. Final written and oral examinations must be taken during the semester in which a graduate student applies for graduation.
13. All other current Graduate School requirements.

Definitions

HIST 586 Practicum – Work-oriented instruction involving the implementation of classroom experience under the direct supervision of a faculty member.

This course, which is part of the public history program, allows students to obtain work-oriented instruction involving the implementation of classroom experiences under the direct supervision of a faculty member. After the *practicum* is completed, a short written report must be submitted describing project activities. Once the report has been submitted and approved, the students will receive a grade.

HIST 587 Internship – Work-oriented instruction involving the implementation of classroom experience coordinated by a faculty member.

This course, which is part of the public history program, allows students to obtain work-oriented instruction involving the implementation of classroom experiences coordinated by a faculty member. Once the intern has completed the project, a written report must be submitted describing the project's activities. Once the report has been submitted and approved, the student will receive a grade.