

Explore



# History

History is the study of major social, political, cultural, and economic events of the past. Applying the results of historical study is important for the preservation and future growth of nations and institutions. In addition, a thorough understanding of past problems and the strategies used to resolve them can help people to plan their present and future lives more effectively. \* Excerpt from College Majors and Careers by Paul Pfifer

## Areas to Explore

Government . Non-Profits . Education . Law . Curatorial & Archival Management

## Careers to Explore

History Teacher . Museum Curator . Exhibition Specialist . Gallery Assistant  
Artifact Restorer . Records Manager . Librarian . Legislative Staffer . Congressional Aide  
Documentary Editor . Museum Docent . Consultant . Tour Director . Journalist

## Employers to Explore

Library of Congress . Municipal Archives . National Park Service . Newspapers  
Political Campaigns . Public & Private Schools . Museums . Wildlife Refuges  
Conservatories . Historic Sites . Cultural Heritage Organizations . Research Institutes

## Career Planning Tactics

- Intern or volunteer at museums, art galleries, conservatories etc. to gain relevant experience and meet new contacts
- If interested in educational programming, gain experience working with youth at museums, camps, non-profits or religious institutions
- Choose a subject of interest and become an 'expert' through conducting research under professors, work experience & reading relevant publications
- Develop excellent communication skills
- Volunteer with a public advocacy group
- Familiarize yourself with government hiring procedures

## Resources:

[Occupational Outlook Handbook: Archivists, Curators & Museum Techs](#)

[Occupational Outlook Handbook: News Analysts, Reporters & Correspondents](#)

[History @ Belmont Abbey](#)

## Professional Associations

[American Historical Association](#)

[National Council for History Education](#)

[Society of Professional Journalists](#)

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