LEARNING ABROAD OFFICE
Learning Abroad is a fantastic opportunity for all UH students, but particularly for History majors. Many students take advantage of Learning Abroad to complete their foreign language requirements in a quicker amount of time, but many others choose to travel to a variety of countries to study history. No matter which country or part of the world you want to explore, you will have the opportunity to take history courses that can be petitioned to count towards the History major required courses. Please contact the Learning Abroad office for more information!
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INTERNERSHIP AT HOUSTON HISTORY MAGAZINE
Students can do an internship for 3 hours at 4000 Level, which can count as a capstone. Students work with the magazine editor to write an article for publication in Houston History, conduct an oral history as part of their research to include in the Houston History Archives, locate images for the article, and assist in moving an upcoming issue through the publication process, all of which offers hands-on public history experience. For more information, contact dzharwell@uh.edu

PHI ALPHA THETA
PAT is an honor society that promotes historical study, research, and teaching by bringing students and historians together for intellectual and social exchanges. The History Department has both an undergraduate and a graduate chapter of the organization. They work jointly on fundraising and have some events together, but each chapter also sponsors their own social events. For information, www.uh.edu/class/history/undergraduate/student-groups

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WHY HISTORY?
The Bachelors of Arts in History prepares students for the future by teaching them to think critically, communicate clearly, and solve complex problems in a rapidly changing world. Through an exploration of past people, places, events, and ideas, students acquire skills that prepare them for a variety of careers in diverse fields, yet its benefits extend beyond such practical concerns. At its core, History is a pursuit of knowledge that enriches the lives of those who participate in it and the societies in which they live.

THE HISTORY DEPARTMENT OFFERS A BACHELOR OF ARTS IN HISTORY
The History Department offers high-quality, flexible degree plans that will meet your schedule with many on-campus as well as a variety of distance education classes. The B.A. in History requires 36 total credit hours in History, which includes the core US history courses. Three of those hours will be in a historical methods seminar capstone course through which you will learn research methods broadly applicable to many post-graduation jobs or fields of study. The flexibility of our plan allows you to tailor your studies to suit your historical interests. Our courses cover all your bases geographically (U.S. European, Latin American, Asian, African, Middle Eastern, or transnational history), thematically (race and ethnicity, war and society, family and gender, public history, environmental, or food studies), or chronologically (from ancient to very recent time periods).

What can you do with a history degree?
History can be an entry way into jobs in schools, libraries, museums, media, law, technology, nonprofit management and administration, and finance. A History major combined with a minor in business, political science, an area studies minor, a minor in a language, or communications can prepare you for the always changing job market. Doing study abroad or taking an internship can also be a great move. Over time, liberal-arts majors often move into high paying fields, with history majors often out-earning people with more technical majors.

SCHOLARSHIP AND PRIZES
Due to the generosity of alumni, friends, and former faculty, the History Department is fortunate to be able to offer three undergraduate scholarships each year. The Douthitt and Del Barto are awarded by the department on the basis of academic achievement (highest GPA). The department also gives honorary awards for “Excellence in History” to graduating seniors each spring; no applications are necessary for these awards. The department offers a Murray Miller Scholarship once a year to the best essay submitted by history major.

And remember, as our undergraduate advisor Sandra Wages says, “Don’t think only about the subject matter, start thinking about the skills you’re gaining in history, with the added advantage of learning about the world!”

MINOR IN HISTORY
The 15-hour minor in history allows students who have majors in other departments to enhance their studies in history and to provide a gateway for careers that emphasize research skills, oral and written communication skills, and strong analytical and critical thinking skills. www.uh.edu/class/history/undergraduate/minor-hist

MINOR IN LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES
The 18-hour interdisciplinary minor encourages study of and participation in programs about an area vital to the history, economy, and culture of the city of Houston, the state of Texas, and the Southwest region. www.uh.edu/class/last

MINOR IN US ETHNIC STUDIES
This 18-hour degree is the comparative study of the historical, political, social, and cultural realities that have created the United States’ diverse ethnic and racial populations. http://publications.uh.edu/preview_program.php?catoid=21&poid=6189&returnto=5494

MINOR IN FOOD AND SOCIETY
This 15-hour Food and Society Minor is an ideal complement for students interested in a range of later professional pursuits in business, hospitality, food service, healthcare, nutrition, education, food writing and documentary filmmaking, and non-profit work, as well as affording excellent preparation for future graduate students interested in studying food through a variety of academic disciplines. www.uh.edu/gcfp

MINOR IN AMERICAN CULTURES
This 18-hour interdisciplinary and multicultural minor pays particular attention to issues of class, gender, racial, sexuality, ethnic, and national identity. Comparative and transnational in outlook, American Cultures cuts across national borders and treats the Americas as an interdependent region. www.uh.edu/class/history/american-cultures