PUBLIC HISTORY

Minor



Central's Minor in Public History prepares students for non-teaching careers as historians. The program emphasizes exposing students to the broad range of skills and issues associated with careers in museums, archives, historic preservation agencies, heritage tourism, historic site assessment, cultural resource management, and other careers where historians use their skills outside a classroom setting.

The minor provides a foundation for history majors seeking employment as public historians and also prepares students for graduate studies in public history.

Drawing on the recommendations of the National Council on Public History for undergraduate programs in public history, this minor stresses:

- Exposing students to the diversity of career in public history
- Historical skills
- Applied research
- Interdisciplinary methods of research and inquiry into the historical past
- Field research/internships/community engagement projects

Program Features

- Interdisciplinary program across disciplines that include Art, Archeology, Communications, English, History, Geography, and more
- 18-credits
- Community project or internship required
- Introduction to Public History required
- May be paired with Certificate in Cultural Resource Management

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What You'll Gain

- Understanding of the main issues in the field of public history
- Skills involved in public history
- Understanding of public history career options

Requirements (18 credits)

Required Courses (9 credits)

- Introduction to Public History
- Historical Imagination (History majors substitute US History)
- Public History Project

  or
- Public History Intern Experience

*Directed Electives (9 credits)

- African-American History and Culture
- African Diaspora Archeology
- Intro to Archeology
- Archeology of Indigenous North America
- Archeology of Landscapes
- Introduction to Art History
- History of Art I
- History of Art II
- Introduction of Global Art
- Art in Community
- Curatorship (consult with advisor first)
- Introduction to Climate Change
- Public Speaking
- Intro to Interpersonal Communication
- Intro to Digital Film Production
- Intro to Public Relations
- Digital Film Production
- Public Relations and Social Media
- Public Opinion Research
- Fundamentals of Graphic and Information Design
- Typography
- Digital World
- Storytelling
- Intro to Sustainability
- Intro to GIS
- Intro to Planning
- Elementary Cartography
- Geography of Tourism
- National Park and World Heritage Sites
- GIS
- Urban Geography
- Tourism Planning
- Energy Resources and Climate Change
- Environmental Planning
- Transportation Planning
- Gaming and History Editing
- Entrepreneurship
- Fundamentals in Marketing
- Public Administration
- Environmental Policy and Politics
- Creative Nonfiction I
- Publishing
- Advanced Composition

***Directed Electives vary by semester and must be taken from three separate disciplines**

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ABOUT CENTRAL:
Central Connecticut State University is the largest university within the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities system. Founded in 1849, Central is also the state's oldest publicly funded university. Our campus is located in New Britain, Connecticut. Central is accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE).



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