HISTORY, B.A. (ABINGTON)

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus

End Campus: Abington

Program Learning Objectives

• Developing Skills in Analysis, Research, and Communication:
  • Learn to engage critically with complex arguments, identifying underlying theories, assumptions, and approaches.
  • Generate substantive, open-ended questions about human experiences and develop research strategies to answer them.
  • Demonstrate historical research skills built upon the analysis of primary and secondary sources.
  • Craft well-supported written and oral communication in a variety of media for a variety of audiences.

• Sharpening Perspectives on the Present:
  • Develop an appreciation for the perspectives of people whose experiences and values differ dramatically from one’s own.
  • Develop an awareness of how understanding the past can help us meet contemporary challenges and opportunities.

• Understanding Societies and Cultures:
  • Recognize history as an interpretive account of the human past—one that historians create from surviving evidence.
  • Demonstrate an understanding that historical and geographic contexts influence people's lived experiences and how they make sense of their lives.
  • Develop a body of historical knowledge with breadth of time and place—as well as depth of detail.