

PUBLIC HISTORY, MINOR

Requirements for a minor may be completed at any campus location offering the specified courses for the minor. Students may not change from a campus that offers their major to a campus that does not offer their major for the purpose of completing a minor.

Program Description

The Public History Minor combines history, management, education, communication, civic engagement, and marketing skills, all needed by staff and leaders at museums, historical sites, and in other cultural work. It will help prepare students to foster cultural revitalization in communities, work in philanthropy, and support corporate and non-profit archival and history programs. It will also prepare students to seek the Master's Degree in Public History. The minor's large variety of qualifying courses will invite students in many disciplines to consider doing meaningful civic work with a historical flavor.

Program Requirements

Requirement	Credits
Requirements for the Minor	18

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A grade of C or better is required for all courses in the minor, as specified by Senate Policy 59-10 (<https://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/59-00-minors-and-certificates/#59-10>). In addition, at least six credits of the minor must be unique from the prescribed courses required by a student's major(s).

Code	Title	Credits
Prescribed Courses		
<i>Prescribed Courses: Require a grade of C or better</i>		
HIST 112	Introduction to Public History	3
HIST 404	Advanced Public History	3
Additional Courses		
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Select 3 credits from each of the following four groups listed below.		12
(At least three of these 12 units must be at the 400 level. Non-history majors may have prerequisites to support a 400-level course in their major that they can count for the Public History minor.)		
<i>History Group:</i>		
HIST 10	World History to 1500	
HIST 11	World History since 1500	
HIST 20	American Civilization to 1877	
HIST 21	American Civilization Since 1877	
HIST 161	The Battle of Gettysburg in American Historical Memory	
HIST 495	Internship	
<i>Marketing and Communications Group:</i>		
CC 402	External Communication	
ENGL 420	Writing for the Web	
IST 250	Introduction to Web Design and Development	
MGMT 215	Entrepreneurial Mindset	
MKTG 301	Principles of Marketing	
MKTG 310	Public Relations and Marketing	
<i>Management Group:</i>		

ACCTG 211	Financial and Managerial Accounting for Decision Making
BA 322	Negotiation Skills for Business Professionals
BA 421	Project Management
CIVCM 211N	Foundations: Civic and Community Engagement
MIS 204	Introduction to Management Information Systems
MGMT 301	Basic Management Concepts
<i>Education Group:</i>	
EDPSY 14	Learning and Instruction
EDTHP 115	Education in American Society

Academic Advising

The objectives of the university's academic advising program are to help advisees identify and achieve their academic goals, to promote their intellectual discovery, and to encourage students to take advantage of both in-and out-of class educational opportunities in order that they become self-directed learners and decision makers.

Both advisers and advisees share responsibility for making the advising relationship succeed. By encouraging their advisees to become engaged in their education, to meet their educational goals, and to develop the habit of learning, advisers assume a significant educational role. The advisee's unit of enrollment will provide each advisee with a primary academic adviser, the information needed to plan the chosen program of study, and referrals to other specialized resources.

READ SENATE POLICY 32-00: ADVISING POLICY (<https://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/32-00-advising-policy/>)

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