Masters of Arts in History

Western Carolina University
College of Arts and Sciences
Knowledge of the Past, Skills for the Twenty-First Century

Historians master the skills of analysis and interpretation, written communication, and critical thinking – all highly valued in today’s marketplace.

Our program meets the needs of students preparing for careers in archives and museums, pursuing doctoral work in the humanities, moving into community college or university teaching, preparing for law or government service, and expanding their teaching repertoire for the secondary school classroom.

Academic Rigor in a Vibrant Community of Scholars

Our program features small seminars taught by active and accomplished scholars. Students receive significant faculty mentoring and enjoy substantial opportunities for individual research. Our students maintain a friendly and supportive community, helping one another to succeed.

Program strengths include the history of the American South, Public History, Appalachian studies, and Cherokee and Native American history.

Financial Assistance with Professional Development

Many of our students receive graduate assistantships, providing both financial support and significant professional experience. Graduate assistants work as tutors in the university’s Writing Center, researchers with department faculty, museum staff at WCU’s Mountain Heritage Center, and teaching assistants in undergraduate history classes.

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