What is the study of History?

The study of History explains the past to the present and illuminates the present through the past. The History curriculum offers students opportunities to discover, understand, and assess past time and change over time. Historical study develops strong writing skills and critical analysis. As well, it provides training in skills of intellectual enquiry and judgment to prepare for students’ future lives. In addition, the curriculum prepares graduates who will become professional historians.

What is unique about History at the UM?

The Department of History is deeply committed to teaching excellence, and members have received Faculty and University teaching awards. The Department has a strong record of research and scholarship in all areas. The Department has sponsored interdisciplinary research clusters in globalization and cosmopolitanism, power and resistance in Latin America, Jewish studies, south Asian and African post-colonial studies, the history of the body, and law and society. The department has active graduate and undergraduate associations.

The faculty includes specialists in virtually every type of historical study: intellectual, cultural, political, economic and business, Aboriginal, women’s, diplomatic, global, comparative, and Third World history as well as archival studies.

There is also a Co-op program offered to students in the Advanced and Honours programs.

Program Options

- B.A. Honours Program - 4 years
- B.A. Double Honours Program - 4 years
- B.A. Advanced Major - 4 years
- B.A. Advanced Double Major - 4 years
- B.A. General Major - 3 years
- Minor

Co-op option available in the Advanced and Honours programs

Career Opportunities

- Archivist Assistant
- Cultural Resource Manager
- Curatorial Assistant
- Genealogical Assistant
- Heritage/Historic Interpreter
- Historic Site Manager