

PATHWAYS | HISTORY

Bachelor of Arts in History



COLLEGE OF
LIBERAL ARTS

COURSE SELECTION

FRESHMAN

- 1000 level classes - you will be introduced to the study of global history, as well as help develop critical thinking and appreciation for ethnic and racial diversity.
- Learn characteristics of world civilizations, including their religions and societies.

SOPHOMORE

- 2000 level classes - provide majors with the broad survey of the history of a particular civilization or region, such as Latin America or modern Africa.
- History 3800: the Historians Craft should be taken during your sophomore year.

JUNIOR

- 3000 level classes - narrow your focus by studying a more defined time period, in which you will have the opportunity to work critically with original historical sources and begin to write significant historical papers.

SENIOR

- 5000 level classes - for juniors and seniors who have successfully completed History 3800: the Historians Craft.
- You are expected to do major research and writing projects.
- History 4950: Senior Thesis should be taken during your last semester

ASK FOR ASSISTANCE

- Meet regularly with your academic advisor and consult them when you have concerns about admission to particular classes or need more information about class requirements.



Tichenor Hall, home of the College of Liberal Arts student advising.

- Academic Support provides several *free* resources to improve performance including Study Partners, Supplemental Instruction and academic coaching. (auburn.edu/academicsupport)

- Meet with someone in the Career Center to explore career options and receive individualized assistance.

- Ask the Career Center for help in preparing your résumé and cover letter.
- Identify your reference letter writers early for graduate school or the job search and provide them with plenty of notice.

GAIN EXPERIENCE

- Use LinkedIn (linkedin.com/alumni) to identify past graduates in your major.
- Contact them to set up informational interviews and shadowing opportunities to gain further understanding of your major in the world of work.



- You are encouraged to study abroad.
- Many students take the summer between sophomore year and junior year to study abroad.

- Getting an internship is a great way for a history major to add experience to their résumé.
- You should seek internships in a library, archive, museum, or other history oriented facility.
- If you are interested in government and politics, consider pursuing a congressional internship in D.C. through the Auburn on the Hill program.

- Attend career events like the All Majors Career Expo and Graduate and Professional School Fair.
- If pursuing graduate education, look for opportunities to be published or present on historical topics at conferences.

GET INVOLVED

- If you have a 3.0 GPA or higher you should consider joining Phi Alpha Theta, the National History Honor Society.



Phi Alpha Theta

- Seek out student organizations catering to your individual interests.
- If you have law school aspirations, consider joining the AU Mock Trial Team.

- Visit local museums (alabamamuseums.org) to immerse yourself in regional history.

- Pursue leadership roles in the student organization in which you participate

CAREER PLANNING

AUBURN UNIVERSITY CAREER CENTER

303 MARY MARTIN HALL | [AUBURN.EDU/CAREER](http://auburn.edu/career)

A bachelors degree in History prepares you for careers in a variety of fields involving strong analytical, critical thinking and communication skills. Graduation education may be required for some professions and career advancement.

ARCHIVIST

MINIMUM EDUCATION: M.A.

ENTRY LEVEL SALARY RANGE: \$28.4K-\$49.1K

These are just three options out of many that history majors pursue. For more career options be sure to check out "What Can I Do With a Major In..." on auburn.edu/career.

LEGISLATIVE AIDE

MINIMUM EDUCATION: B.A.

ENTRY LEVEL SALARY RANGE: \$37.3K-\$48.2K

ATTORNEY

MINIMUM EDUCATION: J.D.

ENTRY LEVEL SALARY RANGE: \$49.3K-\$114.3K



Mary Martin Hall, home of the Auburn University Career Center

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