

# Department of History

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The study of History provides students with a sense of the complexity and contingency of events in an ever-changing world. It provides rich and diverse perspectives. It informs us about the prevalence of unintended consequences. Our goal is to foster independent, research-based judgment of human behavior, similarities, and difference. The Department of History at NC State brings alive the treasure of diverse human experiences and cultures, from the ancient near East to the post-Cold War world, from medieval life to modern science and technology, from the ancient Americas to the modern United States.

We pride ourselves on outstanding teaching, and we offer small classes that allow a great deal of individual attention. Undergraduate students have the choice to study a wide range of historical topics or to follow a particular interest. We offer a choice of elective courses in thematic clusters such as the law and social justice and equity, war and society, public history, and science and technology in historical context.

## Department Highlights:

- Our faculty connect students to current historical scholarship. Faculty members have a strong record of teaching awards, grant and fellowship awards, publications, and public outreach.
- Students in our programs can receive credit for a professional internship for research or outreach work in agencies, organizations, or museums.
- The departmental Honors Program guide highly qualified and motivated students through individual, directed study with a faculty mentor, producing an Honors Thesis of original research.
- High-achieving History students are invited to join the NC State chapter of Phi Alpha Theta, the national honor society for the promotion of the study of history.
- The History Club (<https://getinvolved.ncsu.edu/organization/historyclub/>) provides opportunity to meet and engage with fellow students and explore interests in history in an informal setting.

For more information about our department and programs, visit our website (<https://history.ncsu.edu/>).

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## Plans

- History (BA) (<http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/humanities-social-sciences/history/history-ba/>)
- History (BA): Teacher Education Concentration (<http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/humanities-social-sciences/history/history-ba-teacher-education-concentration/>)
- History (BS) (<http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/humanities-social-sciences/history/history-bs/>)
- History (Minor) (<http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/humanities-social-sciences/history/history-minor/>)