

History

Archivists average
\$47,340
per year



63% of paid interns
received at least
one job offer

93% of employers
use LinkedIn

Social Science Research
Assistants earn on average
\$38,310
per year



Careers

Archivist
Auction House Specialist
Congressional Aide
Consumer Advocate
Cultural Resource
Manager
Curator*
Documentary Editor
Editorial Assistant
Elementary &
Secondary Teacher
Government Relations
Specialist
Grant Writer
Information Specialist
Library Specialist
Museum Education
Coordinator
National Park Ranger
Paralegal*
Political Lobbyist
Preservation Program
Assistant
Professor*
Records Manager
Research Associate
Technical Writer

*may require graduate studies



Strategies for Success

- Gain marketable analytical thinking, self-discipline, and communication skills as a history major.
- Select your desired career field, then set up an internship or part-time job in the industry to gain experience.
- Choose history courses that will strengthen research, analytical, and writing skills to make yourself more marketable.
- Study to protect your GPA if graduate school is in your plans.
- Join associations while in school to strengthen your résumé and show dedication to your field.
- Learn a foreign language to be more marketable to future employers.
- Seek out entry-level positions to gain more experience.
- Consider advanced degrees or specialized training to be more marketable in your field.
- Match a relevant minor with your history major to have a broader knowledge base.
- Volunteer to develop more skills and gain experience for your résumé.
- Develop strong computer and social media skills.
- Consider shadowing or an informational interview in the field under consideration.

Statistics: 1) [Bureau of Labor Statistics: Archivists, Curators, and Museum Workers](#), 2) [NACE](#), 3) [CNet](#), 4) [O-NET](#)

Associations

American Association for State & Local History
www.AASLH.org

Institute of Historical Research
www.History.ac.uk

The Conference on Faith & History
www.Huntington.edu/cfh

Organization of American Historians
www.OAH.org

Social Science Research Network
www.SSRN.com

Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars
www.WilsonCenter.org

Holland Codes

The Holland Code system connects individuals with the career field that best fits their personality. The system scores the test taker on six separate scales: Realistic (R), Investigative (I), Artistic (A), Social (S), Enterprising (E), and Conventional (C). The two or three highest scores represent an individual's strongest attributes. Here are a few examples of positions associated with this major:

- Archivist (CIS)
- National Park Ranger (SRA)
- History Teacher (SAE)
- Congressional Aide (CES)

The FOCUS 2 Career Assessment utilizes these Holland Codes and is a free resource to Liberty students. Assessment results are matched to career options and majors offered at Liberty. To access this free resource visit www.Liberty.edu/Focus2.

Resources

On-Campus and Local Resources

- Visit the [Christian Service](#) page to learn about potential volunteer opportunities. Students have volunteered in the following areas:
 - Liberty University programs and organizations
 - Education and educational assistance
 - Social issues and civic organizations
 - Nonprofit shelters and food banks
 - Camps and local tours
 - Amusement square children's museum
- Connect with Liberty's [History Club](#)
- Become a member of the [Phi Alpha Theta](#)
- Attend one of Liberty's [Civil War Seminars](#)

Online Resources

Visit the websites of the following organizations:

[Matrix Center for the Humane Arts, Letters, and Social Sciences Online](#)

[H-Net Job Guide for the Humanities and History](#)

[American Association of Museums](#)

[American Historical Association](#)

[Museum Employment Resource Center](#)

[O-Net Online:](#)

[Occupational Outlook Handbook](#)

The Washington Fellowship

Consider spending a semester doing an internship with The Washington Fellowship. Possible opportunities include: the [National Archives](#), the [American Indians Museum](#), the [Holocaust Museum](#), the [Natural History Museum](#), the [Air and Space Museum](#), the [National Gallery of Art](#), the [Newseum](#), [National Museum of African Art](#), the [Spy Museum](#), the [Library of Congress](#), or providing tours for congressmen. To learn more visit: www.Liberty.edu/Washington.

Sample Résumés

For a variety of sample résumés visit the [Liberty University Career Center](#).