Where Can My History Degree Take Me?

These are sample career paths to inspire and motivate you. For more information and career support, visit the Toronto Met Career, Co-op & Student Success Centre.

After obtaining a BA, most History students pursue one of three choices that use the talents and skills they developed in their undergraduate years, either in Canada or abroad:

- 1. Enter the labour force in the business world, public service, or non-profit sector
- 2. Pursue professional studies in museology, librarianship, law, teaching, management, or another
- 3. Enroll in an MA (then perhaps a PHD) in History, a related subject, or interdisciplinary studies

Sample Industries and Job Titles

Below is a sample of the many types of industries and jobs pursued by graduates of this program.*

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Financial Researcher Public Relations Specialist Advertising Copywriter Project Manager

Office & Administrative Assistant

Research Analyst Management Consultant

Manager

Insurance Underwriter Travel Agency Manager

Real Estate Agent

NON-PROFIT

Research Assistant Research Lead Research Coordinator Volunteer Manager Project Coordinator/Manager Public Relations Manager Outreach & Events Manager **Fundraiser**

CREATIVE INDUSTRIES

Museum Conservator Museum Technician Heritage Site Manager Museum Educator

Curator Historian Archivist Anthropologist Reporter or Journalist

Editor

Conservation Officer

EDUCATION

History Professor Teacher/Instructor **Educational Assistant History Tutor** Academic Advisor E-Learning Specialist Manager/Administrator Librarian

GOVERNMENT

Intelligence Officer Foreign Service Officer Legislative Aide

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Political Researcher

Urban Planning Researcher

Public Policy Analyst

Economic Development Officer

Statistician & Researcher Labour Relations Officer Administrator or Manager

LAW

Lawver Judicial Clerk Legal Assistant Court Reporter Court Services Officer Border Services Officer Paralegal Immigration Officer Crime Prevention Coordinator

*This is not an exhaustive list - there are many more jobs and careers that may be right for you based on your interests and skills. Also, some occupations listed above may require further education and experience



Sample Employers

Sample of companies and organizations alumni of this program have worked at:

Osler, Hoskin and Harcourt LLP Toronto International Film Festival Dartmouth Heritage Museum Royal Ontario Museum Public History Inc. St. Michael's College Archives Humber Polytechnic

Ontario Ministry of Finance

Scotiabank

Canada Border Services Agency

Savis of Halton Stanford University Build Nova Scotia Isaac Operations

Toronto and Region Conservation Authority

Toronto Metropolitan University

Learn More

Discover more career options and explore job descriptions of roles you are interested in learning more about:

Job Description Databases

Job Bank (Canada) **Career Cruising**

O*Net Online (US) National Occupation Classification: NOC (Canada)

Ontario Labour Market Report Alis (Alberta)

TMU Library Career Research Guide

Alumni

Learn more about where alumni from your program have established themselves by browsing profiles on the Toronto Metropolitan University (formerly Ryerson University) page on LinkedIn or the Toronto Metropolitan University Alumni group.

Job Boards

Use Magnet, Toronto Metropolitan University's job search board for current students and alumni, to browse jobs in your area of interest. In addition, you may consult our curated job board list, broken down by faculty and industry sectors. For public sector careers, check out federal, provincial and municipal job boards and the Government Work Opportunities section of the job board list.

Career Support for Faculty of Arts Students & Alumni

For more information on career resources and support available, including 1:1 appointments and events, visit the Faculty of Arts Career Support Guide.

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