



Career Options after History

the study of history
www.utsc.utoronto.ca/hcs
Specialist, Major, Minor

What is History?

History is one of the Humanities. It is a discipline that explores the past to understand the present. The UTSC history curriculum:

- Spans history from antiquity to present and from all parts of the world (North America, Africa, Europe, South and East Asia.
- Covers topics on colonialism, relationship between men and women, religion, the environment, urbanization, immigration, race, ethnicity and material culture.
- Emphasizes critical reading, research and writing skills.

Skills of History Grads

- Analyze ideas/information
- Develop cross cultural awareness
- Employ interdisciplinary research methodology
- Evaluate historical data
- Observe and compare people/data/things
- Recognize patterns in historical events
- Synthesize a large amount of information
- Understand/interpret the present and past
- Write and present information clearly

What makes History at UTSC unique?
The opportunity to study history in a globally-oriented, truly interdisciplinary department where you can get full credit towards your program for also taking courses on international relations, Asian diaspora, global food culture, and comparative law!

Entry-Level Jobs for Bachelor Grads

Common employment destinations include:

- Interpreter or Administrator in Museums
- Foreign Service Officer in Federal Government
- Market Research Analyst in Corporations
- Public Relations Consultant in Non-Profits
- Editor or Copywriter in Publishing
- Underwriter in Insurance
- Political Aide in Government
- Communications Assistant in Marketing
- Risk Analyst in Security Agencies
- Human Resources Associate in Recruiting
- Blogger, Journalist or Reporter in Media

The Career Directory: www.canadastop100.com/tcd

Graduate & Professional Studies

Popular further education opportunities include:

- History – Master of Arts
- Information/Library Science – Master
- Education – Bachelor or Master
- Public Service– Master
- Law School – JD (Juris Doctor)
- Paralegal Studies – Diploma
- Human Resources – Certificate (earning CHRP)
- Marketing – Post-Graduate Certificate

Use LinkedIn!

UTSC History graduates are working in Education, Media, and Program Management.

Attend our LinkedIn workshop to learn about the *Find Alumni* tool for networking!

History Grads from UTSC have gone on to:

- Ontario Shores (Human Resources)
- Parliament of Canada (Community Outreach)
- Toronto Public Library (Librarian)



Examples of Fields that 'Fit' the Skills of History Grads

- Libraries, Archives, Museums
- Publishers (Magazines, Newspapers)
- Insurance Agents and Brokers
- Universities, Colleges, School boards
- Government (Federal, Provincial, Regional, Municipal)
- Public Relations, Advertising Agencies
- Education
- Law / Legal Services

Your 4-Year Career Exploration Action Plan

1 Do Your Research

The databases below provide you with details about job prospects, nature of work, educational requirements, working conditions, pay and related career paths:

Career Cruising: Log into cln.utoronto.ca, click on Resources, and click on Career Cruising to be logged in automatically

O*Net: online.onetcenter.org (U.S. site)

Attend our workshop **Discover Your Skills and Career Options**, meet with a Career Counsellor, and use our resources to get to know your skills, values, personality and interests:

www.utsc.utoronto.ca/aacc/get-know-yourself

Use the advice on our tip sheets for gathering info: www.utsc.utoronto.ca/aacc/tipsheets

- Information Interviews
- Working On-Campus
- Internships
- Volunteering

3 Build Your Network

Explore **Professional Associations** and get involved: volunteer for their events and conferences, and get to know people in your industry of interest. These are your future mentors, supervisors and colleagues!

Canadian Historical Association – www.cha-shc.ca

American Historical Association – www.historians.org

Canadian Library Association – www.cla.ca

Association of Canadian Archivists – www.archivists.ca

Canadian Museums Association – www.museums.ca

The Heritage Foundation of Canada – heritagecanada.org

Other associations and websites for finding networking opportunities and experience include:

Canadian Heritage Information Network – rcip-chin.gc.ca

Canadian Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences – ideas-idees.ca

2 Explore Career Options & Get Experience

Gain exposure to your options in the world of work and make connections while you're a student via campus events and programs listed on cln.utoronto.ca and ccr.utoronto.ca:

- [Extern Job Shadowing](#)
- [In the Field](#)
- [Explore It!](#) (course-based)
- [Partners in Leadership](#) (4th year students)
- [iLead, uLead, weLead](#) (Dep't of Student Life)
- Employer Information Sessions
- Career & Volunteer Fairs
- [Departmental Student Association](#) Events

Apply for [Work Study](#) jobs in CLN in Fall and Spring! You might also find work via www.scsu.ca/jobs.

Find networking opportunities, internship programs and entry-level jobs via websites like www.talentegg.ca and www.charityvillage.ca.

As an upper year student (14+ credits), attend UTSC's [Get Hired Conference](#) and participate in [Jobs for Grads](#).

As a graduate, explore internships and other trainee programs like www.careeredge.ca