THE DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

M.A. in History

The study of history provides the knowledge and skills for continuous learning in a constantly changing and increasingly competitive environment.

MASTER’S DEGREE PROGRAMS

Students may choose from three study tracks: thesis, non-thesis, and public history. We also offer a master’s level certificate program in collaboration with the James I. Perkins College of Education.

- THESIS: 30 hours of coursework and the writing of a thesis
- NON-THESIS: 36 hours of coursework and the completion of comprehensive exams
- PUBLIC HISTORY: 30 hours of coursework and the completion of a thesis project

AREAS OF CONCENTRATION

Students choose courses from the following five areas:

- U.S. History to 1865
- U.S. History since 1865
- Europe and the World to 1815
- Europe and the World since 1815
- Public History

ASSISTANTSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AID

Graduate assistantships are available as well as scholarships and financial aid. You may qualify for one or more of many SFA scholarships offered to graduate students. Contact the graduate advisor for more information on assistantships, and visit sfasu.edu/aid to search for scholarships and browse financial aid information.
M.A. IN HISTORY WITH AN EMPHASIS IN PUBLIC HISTORY

Public historians research, interpret and preserve the past. SFA is one of only a handful of universities in Texas that offers graduate study in public history. Public history at SFA connects history-minded individuals and groups within the East Texas community with the university’s students and faculty members. Together, we have completed numerous oral history, historic survey, historic marker, National Register, tour, publication and conference projects.

sfasu.edu/publichistory

EXPLORE PUBLIC HISTORY
Discover the context and significance of local and regional historic events, sites and individuals. Present the past to the public and explain its relevance to the 21st century while preserving the integrity of our historic resources.

CAREERS AND EMPLOYERS IN PUBLIC HISTORY
• publishers and manuscript collections
• government agencies and policy advisors
• historic associations, societies and activists
• independent consultants and law firms
• museums, archives and repositories
• K-12 schools
• Main Street and heritage tourism
• private corporations and media companies
• college instructors

EXPLORE RESOURCES
Nacogdoches (the oldest town in Texas), the SFA campus and the surrounding East Texas region offer numerous historically significant landmarks and resources to discover as you work toward your master’s degree. Some of these include:

• Center for East Texas Studies
• Center for Regional Heritage Research
• Durst-Taylor House
• East Texas Historical Association
• East Texas Research Center
• Millard’s Crossing Historic Village
• Nacogdoches Railroad Depot
• Stone Fort Museum
• Sterne-Hoya House
• Texas Forestry Museum

MEET YOUR MENTORS.
Faculty members in the history department have expertise in areas ranging from ancient to modern times. You’ll learn from award-winning authors and researchers who genuinely care about you and your success.

Dr. Robert Allen
France and Early Modern Europe

Dr. Mark Barringer
American West and Environmental

Dr. Perky Beisel
Public History and Gilded Age

Dr. Court Carney
African-American, Cultural and Modern U.S.

Dr. Philip Catton
U.S./Vietnamese Relations

Dr. Aryen德拉Chakravarty
Modern South Asia and British Empire

Dr. Dana Cooper
Women and Transatlantics

Dr. Randy Cox
Russia, Social and Cultural History

Dr. Troy Davis
Ireland and Modern Europe

Dr. Jere Jackson
Germany and Local History

Dr. Andrew Lassen
Cultural and Revolutionary America

Dr. Deanne Malpass
British

Dr. Aaron Cox Moulton
Latin America

Dr. Brook Poston
Early U.S. and Political

Dr. Paul Sandel
Public History and Urban/Suburban

Dr. Sam Sutherland
Medieval, Social and Religious

Dr. Stephen Taaffe
U.S. Foreign Relations and Military

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