



GRADUATE STUDIES

History



MAKE HISTORY YOUR FUTURE

Explore our community of scholarship and research in the History Department at Villanova University! Villanova is one of the few academic institutions in the country that offer only a master's degree in History, rather than both the MA and PhD, meaning you will get the full attention of our faculty. The program is designed to serve your diverse academic interests and goals. Our program prepares students for both PhD study and employment in a number of fields. With our location outside of history-rich Philadelphia, we are able to provide students with a number of opportunities for research, internships and employment.

CHOOSE YOUR COURSE OF STUDY

The Master of Arts in History

Plan your course of study in consultation with a faculty advisor and in one of the following concentrations:

- Geographic
 - Africana
 - Americas
 - Asia
 - Atlantic World
 - Europe
 - United States
- Topical
 - Empire
 - Intellectual & Cultural
 - Race and Ethnicity
 - Revolution
 - State and Society
 - Urban & Environmental
 - Women, Gender & Sexuality
- Chronological
- Public History
- Self-Designed Concentration

Graduate Certificates

The Graduate Certificates in History can be tailored to meet your interests. These certificates are ideal for students who already have their master's degrees and wish to continue formal study, especially middle and secondary school teachers.

- History
- American History
- European History
- World History
- Teaching Advanced History and Government

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Public History Concentration

The master's degree with this concentration prepares graduate students for careers or community service in historic sites, museums and archives in Philadelphia and across the country. The concentration combines seminar discussions with practical experience and in-depth study of United States history.

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Combined MA in History and Certificate in Nonprofit Management

Students interested in working in museums, historic preservation, cultural tourism, libraries and media will learn how to manage the economic, administrative and political challenges faced by nonprofit institutions in this option that combines graduate seminars in historical theory and methods with courses in Villanova's nationally-accredited Master of Public Administration program.

Certificate in Gender and Women's Studies

Students may pursue this interdisciplinary certificate in conjunction with their MA in History or as a standalone program. Gain a deeper knowledge of gender and women's studies, which has transformed scholarship and challenged fundamental assumptions in the humanities, social and natural sciences, and the professions.

OUR FACULTY

Students work side-by-side with exceptional faculty mentors who are invested in their students' academic and professional success. The History Department creates an environment where scholars work together to uncover truths from the past to encourage conversations about today's issues.

Villanova History faculty are top scholars who regularly publish influential works in their fields. Recently, among other faculty highlights:

- Marc Gallicchio, PhD, was named a winner of the prestigious Bancroft Prize in American History and Diplomacy for his book, *Implacable Foes: War in the Pacific, 1944-1945*.
- Andrew B. Liu, PhD, was awarded the Ralph Gomory Prize from the Business History Conference for his book, *Tea War: A History of Capitalism in China and India*.
- Judith Giesberg published *Sex and the Civil War: Soldiers, Pornography, and the Making of American Morality*. Dr. Judith Giesberg's project, *Last Seen: Finding Family After Slavery*, which digitizes Information Wanted ads placed by families torn apart by slavery, was featured in *The New York Times*, *Washington Post*, *CBS Evening News* and *NPR*.

LEPAGE CENTER FOR HISTORY IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST

Graduate students have the opportunity to work with the Lepage Center, which seeks to bring historical scholarship and historical perspective to bear on contemporary global issues. This endowed center in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences was founded on the belief that historical scholarship and historical perspective, when brought to bear on contemporary global issues, can help us make better decisions and create a better society.

WHAT OUR STUDENTS SAY

"As someone with a deep interest in bridging the gap between 'academic' history and 'public' history, Villanova was a perfect fit not only because the program allowed me to pursue both ends, but also because the faculty were incredibly supportive of such a pursuit. I found at Villanova that my professors were my biggest supporters and took every available opportunity to open more doors to new experiences."

- Rebecca Capobianco '11 CLAS, '13 MA, PhD student at the College of William & Mary

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