



CAREERS IN **HISTORY**

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HISTORY CAREERS

1. Teaching
2. Civil Service
3. Historian
4. Lawyer
5. Accountancy
6. Public Relations
7. Marketing
8. Archivist
9. Journalism
10. Media

History degrees have a good reputation and are popular amongst employers because graduates are analytical and able to express opinion whilst simplifying complex ideas.

WHERE TO FIND HISTORY JOB ADVERTS

- Broadsheet daily and Sunday Newspapers, particularly the Guardian Media supplement
- The Economist magazine

HISTORY DEGREES

Subjects to study at A Level

All. It perfectly compliments the range of subjects in both the humanities and sciences.

Subjects to particularly consider:

English, Government & Politics, Economics, Latin, Modern Languages and Geography.

Wider reading:

Read as much as you can and develop an area of specialism. It is also useful to stay up to date with current affairs so follow: News websites, the Economist magazine and Financial Times.

Top Universities:

All leading UK universities offer History. The top 10 UK Universities for History according to the Complete University Guide are:

1. Durham
2. Cambridge
3. Oxford
4. St Andrews
5. London School of Economics
6. Warwick
7. University College London (UCL)
8. Exeter
9. Birmingham
10. Bristol

(check UCAS website for entry requirements for these universities: www.ucas.com)

TOP TIP

You can also take History with a wide variety of other subjects, and entry requirements are often lower.

GRADUATE PROSPECTS

A history degree is just the beginning as it opens the door to a multitude of careers. Many graduates find success through Internships and Work Experience.

Gumtree recently completed a poll of employers with the results showing that work experience makes you 95% more employable. The good news carries on, two thirds of employers think candidates with work experience were more knowledgeable, 44% think they are more confident and 40% say they are more committed.

Useful websites for History related work placements and internships:

1. <http://studyingeconomics.ac.uk/during-your-study/work-experience/places-for-economists/>
2. www.inspiringinterns.com
3. www.graduatetalentpool.direct.gov.uk
4. www.milkround.com
5. www.interwise.co.uk
6. www.gov.uk/government/organisations/foreign-commonwealth-office/about/recruitment
7. www.lse.ac.uk/intranet/CareersAndVacancies/careersService/Internships/Home.aspx
8. www.ratemyplacement.co.uk
9. www.civilservice.gov.uk/networks/ges/student-placements
10. www.prospects.ac.uk

CELEBRITIES WHO STUDIED HISTORY

Winston Churchill / Jon Inverdale / Sacha Baron-Cohen / Jonathon Ross / Simon Mayo / Mr Dunn / Tristram Hunt MP / Steve Coppel / Dr David Starkey / Dan Snow / Gordon Brown MP / Simon Schama / The Chemical Brothers / Jeremy Bowen / Jon Snow

