About The Major

It is often said that to understand the present and cope with the future, we should study the past. Understanding human social conditions, learning how to interpret cause and effect, and having the ability to explain the human past are just a few things to gain from a history major. Students will learn about past civilizations and cultures while examining the successes and failures of those before us. They will also research, analyze, and write about the past using historical documents and sources.

Sample Course Work

Introduction to Historical Skills
Making the Modern World
Popular Culture in the United States
History of Ancient Rome
African Kingdoms & Societies

Possible Careers

*Some titles may require further education

History Educator
Historic Preservation
Broadcaster
Writer/ Editor

Journalist
Archivist
Records Management
Librarian

Lawyer
Litigation Support
Contract Historian
Anthropologist

UNI Graduates: Where Are They Now?

- Waterloo Community School District
- University of Northern Iowa
- Des Moines Public Schools
- Living History Farms
- Mercy Medical Center
- John Deere
- Rockwell Collins
- Principal Financial Group
- Iowa State University
- UnityPoint Health
- Hawkeye Community College
- Wells Fargo Home Mortgage
- University of Iowa
- Nationwide
- Iowa Falls - Alden High School
- West Marshall Community School District
- Businessolver
- Blue Compass

Skills Needed

- Research
- Communication skills
- Writing skills
- Creativity
- Critical Thinking
- Reading
- Understanding & Interpretation
- Analytical skills
- Public Speaking
- Social Perceptiveness
- Instructing
- Time Management