

Wilson College History

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Program Summary

Wilson College, a private liberal arts college in Chambersburg, PA, is dedicated to providing students with a valuable, affordable college education with a strong focus on experiential learning, personalized education, and post-completion success. History majors consider the diversity of human experience across time and place. The study of history at Wilson is situated in a global context, with classes that provide the opportunity to understand the way that the world has been interconnected in the past and is now in the present.



Strengths & Noteworthy Practices

As with many history programs, the development of critical thinking and communication skills is extremely strong. In reviewing the curricula, all eight [Essential Employability Qualities](#) were found to be developed within the program.

The major emphasizes interdisciplinary learning and practical application. Particularly notable are the program's creative courses with project-based learning activities that connect historical concepts to modern-day issues and economic systems. For instance, a 100-level course focused on contemporary issues in history explores how historical narratives are created, represented, and consumed in modern media. A Silk Roads course gives history students insights into core business principles such as supply and demand, financial systems, market dynamics, and globalization. Within a course on The Olympics, an assignment titled "Things Fall Apart" has students explore bankruptcy and boycotts - economic realities in the modern world. These courses and assignments allow students to begin to develop a sense of business acumen and the skills needed to analyze and navigate complex organizational challenges.

