

University of Alabama Huntsville History

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Program Summary

The BA in History is designed to have students learn to investigate questions about the past rigorously and critically. They identify strong sources, critically assess information, analyze disparate threads of information, weigh different interpretations, and identify and explain trends and patterns. In a world in which automation and artificial advancement are accelerating, the ability to think critically, probe uncertainty, and interpret complex information becomes a defining human advantage.



Strengths & Noteworthy Practices

The program shows strong, intentional development of the EEQs, especially critical thinking, communication, learning and adaptability, teamwork, and professionalism. Students rigorously evaluate sources, frame meaningful questions, analyze evidence, and communicate findings clearly—skills reinforced across writing-intensive and discussion-based courses. Signature strengths include the emphasis on question formulation and the structured writing process in HY 300 and HY 490, which deepen analytical reasoning and iterative improvement. Applied learning opportunities such as internships, digital humanities projects, and public history experiences give students real-world settings to build professional habits and self-awareness.

The College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences Career & Internships Office offers tailored coaching, events, and resources that fill important needs for arts and humanities students. Strong academic advising, counseling, tutoring, and mentoring structures further reinforce student persistence and well-being.

Noteworthy practices include reflective assignments, community-engaged digital projects, and the alignment of coursework with workplace-relevant expectations such as collaboration, project management, and respectful communication. These practices collectively support robust employability preparation and a high-quality student learning experience.