

University of Massachusetts Boston
Graduate Program in History - Public History Track

McCormick Building, 4th Floor, Room 623
100 Morrissey Boulevard
Boston, MA 02125 USA

<http://www.umb.edu/academics/cla/dept/history/gradprogram.html>

Director(s): James Green

Established in 2008, the Public History Track within the UMass Boston Graduate Program in History is an exciting new opportunity for students interested in a career in working with history and the public. Between six and nine students are admitted to the Public History Track each fall, but, as the program is so new, the statistics are limited and subject to change in coming years.

Type of Program: Public History Graduate Program

Degree(s) offered: M.A. in History with a Certificate or Concentration in Public History
M.A. in History with a Concentration in Archives Administration

Concentration(s):

Course Offerings:

- Public History Colloquium: Public History and Popular Memory; required, offered annually
- The Art and Craft of Interpretation In Public History; required, offered annually
- Internship in Public History; required, offered every semester
- Research Seminar; required of all MA students, offered every semester
- Holocaust as Public History; not required, offered occasionally
- Introduction to Archives in the Digital Age; required of Archives students, not required of Public History students, offered annually

Thesis required? Yes

Special project required? Yes

Description: The final project may be done in lieu of the thesis, and is subject to approval by the Public History Program director and the director of Graduate Studies.

Credit Hour Requirement: 30

Internship Required? Yes

Who arranges internships? Students may propose internships or seek placements through faculty advisers.

Credit hours earned for internships: 3 (Amounting to 7.5 hours of intern work per week)

Who evaluates internship? What are the criteria for evaluation? History Department Faculty, as well as coordinators who will work with on-site staff to design and monitor the actual work of student interns.

Places where students have interned in the past three years:

- John F. Kennedy Library and Museum
- Commonwealth Archives
- Boston National Historic Park
- Old South Meeting House

Admission Requirements:

Minimum GPA: N/A
Statement of Purpose
Letter(s) of Recommendation
Transcripts
Writing Sample
GRE scores are recommended but not required.

Financial Aid Available:

Loans
Assistantships
In-State Status

Maximum annual stipend for: MA: 14,348 PhD: N/A

Average number of students who receive: Stipend: N/A Scholarships: N/A

How many students are admitted annually? BA: N/A MA: 4 PhD: N/A

Placement assistance offered? N/A

Employers who have hired your graduates in the past three years:

- Commonwealth Archives
- Americorps