

Georgia State University Heritage Preservation Program

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Program Description: The Heritage Preservation Program at Georgia State University was founded in 1983 and expanded to include public history in 2001. Located in the history department, the program offers an MA in Heritage Preservation, with individual tracks in public history or historic preservation. In addition to the MA in Heritage Preservation, the history department offers a PhD in Public History and public history as a minor field for the history MA or PhD. Approximately 25 students are admitted annually. Course requirements are interdisciplinary and include training in museum studies, US and world history, archives, education and interpretation and cultural resource management.

Degrees Offered:

- M.A. in Public History
- M.A. in History with a Certificate or Concentration in Public History
- Ph.D. in Public History
- Ph.D. in History with a Certificate or Concentration in Public History

Program Strengths:

- Archival Practices
- Historic Preservation
- Local/Community History
- Material History
- Museum Studies
- Oral History
- Publishing

How Many Students are Admitted Annually:

BA: N/A MA: 25 PhD: 1

Financial Aid Available: Graduate Assistantships
Tuition Waiver

Deadline to Apply: February 15 (Fall);
October 15 (Spring)

Credit Hour Requirement: 45 for MA in Historic Preservation.

Internship Requirement: Internships are required as part of the MA in heritage preservation. Students may choose their internship placement and earn 3 credit hours. Most internships are not paid.

Places Where Students Have Interned During the Past Three Years:

- Atlanta History Center
- National Archives Southeastern Branch
- Bremen Museum
- National Museum for Civil and Human Rights
- National Park Service
- Oakland Cemetery
- Georgia Power Archives

Job Placement Assistance Offered: No formal job placement is offered; faculty assists when possible.

Employers Who Have Hired Graduates from this Program within the Past Five Years:

- National Archives and Record Administration
- Atlanta History Center
- Kennesaw State University Museum of History and Holocaust Education
- Morehouse College Archives
- Heritage Werks
- Arabia Mountain Heritage Area
- General Services Administration
- National Park Service
- Georgia Trust for Historic Preservation
- City of Chattanooga
- New South Associates
- South Park Colorado National Heritage Area
- Arizona State Archives
- Matheson Museum