Southeast Missouri State University

Public History Graduate Program Historic Preservation Program (see pg. 3)

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Program Description: Our MA in Public History has emphases in historic preservation and heritage education to prepare students for further study or career placement in museums, archives and historic sites or agencies. Students take courses that familiarize them with issues in public history, material culture, historic landscapes and the built environment. The heritage education emphasis prepares students to engage more effectively with high school students and the general public in learning American history.

Degrees Offered:

M.A. in Public History

Program Strengths:

- Archival Practices
- Historical Administration
- Historic Preservation
- Material History
- Museum Studies

How Many Students are Admitted Annually:

BA: <u>N/A</u> MA: <u>3-7</u> PhD: <u>N/A</u>

Financial Aid Available: Teaching Assistantships

Admin. Assistantships

Deadline to Apply: Rolling

Credit Hour Requirement: 36

Internship Requirement: Internships are encouraged. Students find their own internships with help from the internship coordinator.

Places Where Students Have Interned During the Past Three Years:

- North Carolina Maritime Museum
- Iowa Economic Development Authority
- Oklahoma State Historic Preservation Office
- National Park Service, Alaska Regional Office
- Downtown Joplin Association Main Street Program (Missouri)
- Ulysses S. Grant National Historic Site
- Cultural Resources Division, Fort Wainwright, Arkansas



Job Placement Assistance Offered: Program provides resume assistance, shares job postings, and writes letters of recommendation.

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

- Mississippi Department of Archives and History, Museum Division
- Mississippi Department of Archives and History, Historic Preservation Division
- URS Corp (Preservation Consulting Firm)
- Jefferson College
- Southeast Missouri State University Special Collections and Archives
- Special Collections and Archives
- Idaho State University
- Preservation Alliance of Minnesota
- Cultural Resources Division, Fort Wainwright, Arkansas

Program Description: Established in 1980, the Historic Preservation program at Southeast Missouri State University has 60 undergraduate majors. The program offers courses in built environment preservation, museum studies, historic sites and archives. Graduating 12-15 students annually, over 200 students have graduated from the program. The program conducts a field school with the Felix Valle House State Historic Site and works closely with Southeast's Special Collections and Archives and its Regional History Museum.

Degrees Offered:

B.S. in Historic Preservation

Program Strengths:

- Archival Practices
- Historical Administration
- Historic Preservation
- Local/Community History
- Museum Studies

How Many Students are Admitted Annually:

BA: <u>15-20</u> MA: <u>N/A</u> PhD: <u>N/A</u>

Financial Aid Available: University Scholarships

Deadline to Apply: Rolling

Credit Hour Requirement: 120; 66 for HP major

Internship Requirement: 9 hours of internship credit is required. Students find their own internships with assistance from the internship coordinator. Internships may be paid or unpaid.

Places Where Students Have Interned During the Past Three Years:

- Conner Prairie (Indiana)
- George Rogers Clark National Historical Park (Indiana)
- The Library of Congress
- Cultural Resources Program, U.S. Army Garrison at Fort Leonard Wood
- Washington University Archives and Special Collections
- Historic Preservation Program, Missouri Department of Transportation
- Shawnee National Forest
- Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records
- Mt. Hood National Forest
- National Railroad Museum
- Missouri Preservation
- Tennessee Main Street Program
- Tennessee Historical Commission
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- Historic Quincy Business District (Illinois)
- Missouri Main Street Connection
- Downtown Washington, Inc. (Missouri)
- St. Joseph Museum, Inc. (Missouri)
- Felix Vallé House State Historic Site
- South Union Shaker Village
- Delta Gateway Museum



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

- Indianapolis Museum of Art
- Cultural Resource Analysts, Inc.
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- Downtown Blytheville (Main Street)
- City of Pittsburg, Texas
- Placements in Graduate School (University of Pennsylvania, George Mason University, Ball State University, University of Kentucky, Eastern Illinois University, University of Massachusetts, Middle Tennessee State University, and St. Louis University)