

PUBLIC HISTORY (M.A.) - HERITAGE STUDIES

Important: This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2025 through summer 2026. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

Code	Title	Hours
Program Courses		
<i>Core Courses</i>		
HIST 503	Public History Methods	3
HIST 505	Theories of Public History	3
HIST 705	Local History Research	3
HIST 706	Digital History	3
HIUS 530	American Christian Heritage	3
<i>History Elective Courses</i>		
History Elective ^{1,2}		3
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Total Hours		24

¹ Choose any HIEU, HIST, HIUS, or HIWD course not already applying to the degree.

² Students may take HIST 601, HIST 689, and HIST 690 for a thesis option.

Code	Title	Hours
Heritage Studies Cognate		
HIST 504	Oral History	3
HIST 506	Genealogical Research	3
HIST 610	Museum Studies	3
HIST 615	Heritage Tourism	3
Total Hours		12

All applicable prerequisites must be met

Graduation Requirements

- Complete 36 hours
- A maximum of 50% of the program hours may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level
- 3.0 GPA
- No more than two grades of C may be applied to the degree (includes grades of C+ & C-)
- No grade of D or below may be applied to the degree (includes grades of D+ & D-)
- Degree must be completed within 5 years
- Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

Program Offered in Online Format Course Sequence

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
First Semester		
HIST 503	Public History Methods	3
HIST 504	Oral History	3
HIST 505	Theories of Public History	3
Hours		9
Second Semester		
HIST 506	Genealogical Research	3
HIUS 530	American Christian Heritage	3
History Elective ^{1,2}		3
Hours		9
Third Semester		
HIST 610	Museum Studies	3
HIST 615	Heritage Tourism	3
History Elective ^{1,2}		3
Hours		9
Fourth Semester		
HIST 705	Local History Research	3
HIST 706	Digital History	3
History Elective ^{1,2}		3
Hours		9
Total Hours		36

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