

MASTER OF ARTS IN PUBLIC HISTORY (M.A.)

Purpose

The Master of Arts in Public History program provides advanced training in the conveyance of history to the general public. Students will learn skills pertinent to the discipline including museum studies, grant writing, preservation, archeology, and marketing—all in the context of a Christian Worldview perspective. This degree will prepare students to work in entities such as museums, national parks, non-profits, archives, and virtual platforms.

Program Learning Outcomes

The student will be able to:

- Construct historical interpretation based upon public history research methods and knowledge of the literature for diverse applications.
- Utilize the best professional practices to investigate, preserve, catalog, and present historical artifacts and records by both written and digital means.
- Apply principles from business, geography, or communications to the administration and/or organization of public history presentation.
- Evaluate how Christian/non-Christian worldviews impact the production, interpretation, and writings of public history.

Program Specific Admission Procedures

In addition to the general admission requirements, specific admission procedures to the Master of Arts in Public History program are as follows:

1. Official transcripts indicating successful completion of a baccalaureate degree program from an institution accredited by an agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education (e.g., SACSCOC, TRACS, ABHE, etc.) must be mailed directly from the Registrar of the college(s) attended to the Office of Graduate Admissions.
2. Applicants should hold a cumulative GPA of 3.00 on a scale of 4.00 for undergraduate study. Applicants who hold a cumulative undergraduate GPA of 2.50 to 2.99 on a 4.00 scale may be eligible for admission on Cautionary status.

Transfer Credit

A maximum of fifty-percent 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. In order to transfer credit, students must have earned the minimum grade of B-, and courses must have been completed within 10 years of the start date of the program. No core courses may be transferred from another institution. Credits from a prior degree on the same academic level earned through Liberty University are considered transfer credits.

Program of Study

Delivery Format: Online Only

- Public History (M.A.)
- Public History (M.A.) - Archives Management
- Public History (M.A.) - Digital Humanities

- Public History (M.A.) - Heritage Studies
- Public History (M.A.) - Historic Preservation

Career Opportunities

- Historian
- Museum Technician and Conservator
- Archivist
- Curator