According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment for those who majored in History is projected to grow 6 percent from 2016 to 2026, about as fast as the average for all occupations. Many organizations that employ history professionals, such as historical societies and historical consulting firms, depend on donations or public funding. Thus, employment growth from 2016 to 2026 will depend largely on the amount of funding available.

Those looking for employment in history related areas may face very strong competition for most jobs. Those with a master’s degree or Ph.D. should have the best job opportunities. Practical skills or hands-on work experience in a specialized field such as collections, fundraising, or exhibit design also may be beneficial. Jobseekers may gain this experience through internships, related work experience, or volunteering. Positions are often available at local museums, historical societies, government agencies, or nonprofit and other organizations.

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RELATED CAREER TITLES

The career paths listed below are only a sample of the opportunities one may consider. They have been taken from the Bureau of Labor’s Occupational Outlook Handbook and the O*Net Online. Some career paths may require additional education and training. To gain more understanding of the different career paths, take a look at Candid Career, where you can watch testimonials of people doing exactly what you might want to pursue.

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**RÉSUMÉ SAMPLES & HELP**

For a guide, and list of sample résumés, please visit our virtual résumé tool at [https://www.wcsu.edu/careersuccess/resumes/](https://www.wcsu.edu/careersuccess/resumes/). This is where you will find sample résumés, download our fillable résumés template, and find the cover letter & résumé checklist to ensure you are on the right track. Whether you are applying directly to a person, or an applicant tracking system (ATS), there are things you will need to know for your résumé to be recognized by the company’s database. Use the checklist we provide and always proofread for perfection. Remember, your résumés and cover letters are the first writing samples any employer will ever see from you. You need to make sure it is perfect. Don’t risk it, and come visit one of our Career Peer Leaders, who can help you. We are available Monday through Friday, either virtually or in person, anytime between 9 am to 5 pm. If you would like information, or to set an appointment, please contact the Career Success Center at careersuccess@wcsu.edu.

**JOB SEARCH ENGINES**

- American Alliance of Museums
- Jobs Galore
- National Council on Public History
- USA Jobs

**RESEARCH RESOURCES**

- Get Educated
- Historians.org
- Learn How to Become
- One Day One Job
- The Balance Careers

**SALARY INFORMATION**

- Pay Scale
WHAT YOU CAN DO NOW

Join a professional history club or association – See list below
Consider studying abroad. Click here to learn more.
Volunteer for WCSU’s Vita Program
Volunteer for Junior Achievement in your community

ASSOCIATIONS

Professional associations are a great way for college students, recent graduates, and career changers to enhance personal and professional development while being provided endless networking opportunities. Being a member of an association also offers chances to attend conferences, learn about latest industry trends, scholarships, internship opportunities, along with attitudes and competencies expected in the industries of interest. Many associations encourage students to participate and even offer drastically reduced membership rates. Being a member of an association could be the best thing you do for your career.

American Historical Association (AHA)

Here is a list of their affiliated societies:

- African American Intellectual History Society
- Agricultural History Society
- Air Force Historical Foundation
- Alcohol and Drugs History Society
- American Academy of Research Historians of Medieval Spain
- American Association for State and Local History
- American Association for the History of Medicine
- American Catholic Historical Association
- American Conference for Irish Studies
- American Culture Association
- American Jewish Historical Society
- American Journalism Historians Association
American Printing History Association
American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies
American Society for Environmental History
American Society for Legal History
American Society of Church History
American Studies Association
Association for Computers and the Humanities
Association for Documentary Editing
Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (History Division)
Association for Israel Studies
Association for Spanish and Portuguese Historical Studies
Association for the Study of African American Life and History
Association for the Study of Nationalities
Association of Ancient Historians
Berkshire Conference of Women Historians
Business History Conference
Central European History Society
Chinese Historians in the United States
Colonial Society of Massachusetts
Committee on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender History
Community College Humanities Association
Conference of Historical Journals
Conference on Asian History
Conference on Faith and History
Conference on Latin American History
Construction History Society of America
Coordinating Council for Women in History
Council on America’s Military Past-USA
Czechoslovak Studies Association
Disability History Association
Economic History Association
Film & History
Forest History Society
Forum on European Expansion and Global Interaction
French Colonial Historical Society
German Historical Institute
H-Net: Humanities and Social Sciences OnLine
Harvey Goldberg Center for Excellence in Teaching
Haskins Society
Historians of American Communism
Historical Society for Twentieth-Century China
History of Science Society
Hungarian Studies Association
Immigration and Ethnic History Society
Institute for Historical Study
International Conference for the Study of Political Thought
International Society for the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning in History
Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society
Italian American Studies Association
Labor and Working Class History Association
Leo Baeck Institute
MARHO: The Radical Historians' Organization
Medieval Academy of America
Midwestern Historical Association
Modern Greek Studies Association
Mormon History Association
National Association for Ethnic Studies
National Coalition of Independent Scholars
National Council for History Education
National Council on Public History
New England Historical Association
Newberry Library Center for Renaissance Studies
Newberry Library D'Arcy McNickle Center for American Indian and Indigenous Studies
Newberry Library Hermon Dunlap Smith Center for the History of Cartography
North American Conference on British Studies
North American Society for Oceanic History
North American Society for Sport History
Oral History Association
Organization of American Historians
Organization of History Teachers
Peace History Society
Phi Alpha Theta History Honor Society
Polish American Historical Association
Popular Culture Association
Renaissance Society of America
Roy Rosenzweig Center for History and New Media
Social Science History Association
Social Welfare History Group
Society for Advancing the History of South Asia
Society for Armenian Studies
Society for Austrian and Habsburg History
Society for French Historical Studies
Society for German American Studies
Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations
Society for Historians of the Early American Republic
Society for Historians of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era
Society for History Education
Society for History in the Federal Government
Society for Italian Historical Studies
Society for Medieval Feminist Scholarship
Society for Military History
Society for Reformation Research
Society for Romanian Studies
Society for the History of Authorship, Reading and Publishing
Society for the History of Children and Youth
Society for the History of Discoveries
Society for the History of Technology
Society for the Study of Early Modern Women
Society of American Historians
Society of Architectural Historians
Society of Automotive Historians
Society of Civil War Historians
Southern Historical Association
Swiss American Historical Society
Toynbee Prize Foundation
Unitarian Universalist History and Heritage Society
United States Commission on Military History
Urban History Association
Victorian Society in America
Western Association of Women Historians
Western History Association
Western Society for French History
World History Association
World War Two Studies Association

The National Coalition for History (NCH)
Society for Historical Archaeology
Organization of American Historians (OAH)
World History Association