

PUBLIC HISTORY (CERT)

Graduate Certificate in Public History

Unit: College of Arts and Sciences (<https://louisville.edu/artsandsciences/>) (GA)

Department: History (<http://louisville.edu/history/>)

Program Webpage (<http://louisville.edu/history/graduate-studies/graduate-certificate-in-public-history/>)

Academic Plan Code(s): PHISCHI

- HIST 607 Oral History
- HIST 610 Introduction to Historic Preservation
- ARTH 647 Introduction to Critical and Curatorial Studies I and ARTH 648 Critical and Curatorial Studies II
- URBS 666 Nonprofit Management

Program Information

The graduate certificate in Public History is a specialized program of study that trains students for careers in museums, archives, historical interpretation, and historic preservation. Students may pursue the certificate either in combination with a Master of Arts in History (or a closely related field) or as an independent credential.

Students enrolled in the program take seminars in history and electives in history and related fields. All students are required to complete an internship at a historical institution.

Admission Requirements

Students seeking the certificate as a stand-alone program should apply through the Graduate School (<https://louisville.edu/graduate/futurestudents/apply-materials/application/>). Create an account. When asked to choose a program, select "Graduate - non-degree." On the next page, select "College of Arts and Sciences," then "Public History (CHI)."

The following materials are required for the certificate program:

- Two letters of recommendation
- Undergraduate transcripts
- GRE scores
- Personal statement of interest in public history (500 words)
- Application fee

History MA students who wish to enroll in the certificate program must complete the online application (see link above) and submit:

- A letter of recommendation from a University of Louisville faculty member
- A personal statement of interest in public history.

All materials from applications for the MA program will also be considered.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
HIST 597	Introduction to Public History	3
HIST 608	Practicum in Public History (Internship)	3
Two 600-level non-public history courses in the Department of History		6
Two public history electives at the 500 level or above		6
Minimum Total Hours		18

Students in the MA program in History may apply up to six (6) credit hours from the degree program toward the Public History certificate.

Sample of public history electives: