



Rivier

UNIVERSITY

B.A.

History

Study the past. Influence the future.

Why Study History at Rivier?

Our B.A. in History degree develops strong critical thinking, problem-solving, and communication skills, preparing you for a wide range of careers.

Build Your Knowledge Base

Rivier's History majors reach across the globe by studying U.S., European, and global history and develop a sophisticated understanding of the great problems of our times and their historical roots. You'll acquire the reading, research, analysis, and writing skills necessary to succeed in a range of professions requiring deeper reflection, analytical problem-solving, and clarity of expression.

Gain Real-World Experience

Students complete a high-impact senior project that demonstrates the knowledge and skills they've acquired throughout the program. History majors not only gain a strong foundation in their field, but they also have the flexibility to double-major in other humanities, social sciences, and professional programs. All students are strongly encouraged to pursue career-related internships. Study abroad, clubs, and co-curricular events provide learning and leadership activities outside of the classroom.

Begin Your Career

History major graduates may pursue careers in or with:

- Government and NGOs
- Law
- Journalism
- Private and public education
- Curatorial work
- Advocacy and political interest groups

Advanced Degrees

Graduates are also well prepared to pursue graduate studies in history, museum studies, education, law, international relations, and other fields.



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programs



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Journeys of Transformation

Rivier University's core curriculum, titled Journeys of Transformation, aligns with the American Association of College & Universities essential learning outcomes. Coursework focuses on developing strong intellectual and practical skills for workforce success, and offers opportunities for service learning, servant leadership, and civic engagement to enhance leadership abilities.

Major Requirements

History Courses

HIS 101 - United States History I

HIS 102 - United States History II

HIS 203 - Interactions: the West in the World I

or

HIS 204 - Interactions: the West in the World II

HIS 250 - The Historian's Tools

HIS 300-400 - Two Electives

HIS 475 - The Senior Seminar*

or

HIS 495 - Internship*

Europe:

HIS 375 - Hitler and the Third Reich

Non-Western (choose one):

HIS 315 - Modern China

or

HIS 320 - Modern Russia

United States (choose one):

HIS 307 - United States Foreign Policy in the Twentieth Century

or

HIS 401 - Constitutional History of the U.S.

Political Science:

POL - Two Electives

General Elective Courses

Students choose a minimum of fourteen 3-credit elective courses (42 credits) to reach the total number of credits required for the degree.

Innovative

Employment Promise Program

Rivier's Employment Promise Program enhances the career preparation and employability of students in all academic disciplines. The program includes mentorship through Rivier's Career Development Center and a specialized, four-year academic/professional development plan that incorporates experiences proven to increase overall employability and success in the job search process.

Confidence in the quality of a Rivier education enables the University to ensure invested students will secure employment within nine months of graduation. If not, the University will provide the student additional financial or educational support. Get more information at rivier.edu/epp.

You're Invited

Attend an on-campus event, or schedule an individual campus tour for you and your family. You can access a complete listing of events and register online at events.rivier.edu or call us at (603) 897-8507.

Academic Accreditation

Rivier University is accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE).

Quick Links

Ask a Question – admissions@rivier.edu

Schedule a Visit – events.rivier.edu

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Tuition & Fees – rivier.edu/tuition



*Note: Many students choose to complete both courses.

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