

# History

Degree Offered: Bachelor of Arts

#### **Related Minors Offered in:**

History, Public History, Atlantic Studies, Women's Studies, Black Studies, and Global Studies.

History gives us a broad perspective on the human condition, explaining how changes shape people and societies and how our world came to be. The skills you learn in our classes are valuable in the workplace and essential for graduate studies: historians learn how to find information, to analyze and interpret data in complex ways, to draw conclusions from evidence, to understand and adapt to change, and to explain cause and effect.

History majors develop strong research and writing skills. You will learn to assess and integrate complex material and to develop and support arguments with evidence, to evaluate conflicting interpretations, to understand events in their context. You will develop strong oral communication and presentation skills. This liberal arts training prepares you for a variety of careers and occupations, and gives you the knowledge and understanding to be a global citizen who is fluent in the world of ideas.

### **Career Options**

Graduates pursue careers in research analysis, community agencies, political campaigns, consulting, business, government, editing and publication, foreign service, law, museums and historical societies, archives, foundations, non-profit organizations, intelligence agencies, lobbying, journalism, personnel management, public relations, research, and education (teaching and administration).

## History @ Daemen?

- You will work directly with practicing historians who publish and have Ph.D's. We are committed to teaching excellence and preparing you for your future.
- The History major at Daemen features a strong liberal arts emphasis, starting with the intensive study of history and including a broad grounding in the humanities.
- Required courses cover local, national, and global history, from the ancient era to current times.
  Our courses integrate perspectives from gender studies, postcolonial theory, and historiographical controversies, among others.
- A capstone thesis requirement gives you the opportunity to do in-depth research on a topic of your choice, bringing together your acquired knowledge and skills

# Our recent graduates are:

- Completing a Master's degree in Museum Studies at George Washington University
- Attending Law School at the University of New Hampshire and at the University at Buffalo
- Working as Collections & Communications Assistant at the George Washington Masonic Museum
- Working as a Community Organizer for Citizen Action of New York
- Serving in the Marine Corps (Lieutenant)
- Working for the Ontario County Sheriff's Office

Learn more at the History & Political Science Department Blog: http://daemencollegehistoryandpolisci.blogspot.com/

### **History Students Gain Real-World EXPERIENCE:**

- The program stresses preparation for your future. All students are required to complete an internship or cooperative learning experience.
- The department will work closely with you and the Career Services Office to select an internship related to your academic and career interests. Internships are available with local and state organizations; in Washington, D.C.; and internationally.
- Daemen students have recently completed internships in History and in Public History at the Theodore Roosevelt Inaugural Site (NPS) in Buffalo; at the George Washington National Masonic Memorial in Alexandria, VA; American Museum of Natural History in New York City and in Przemysl, Poland.

did you know...

History majors learn to analyze complex issues, to communicate effectively, and to think critically about the world. You can apply these abilities in a wide variety of careers and occupations.



### Taqiyah, History Major with a minor in Public History

Taqiyah completed an internship with the American Museum of Natural History (New York City, 2016)

"History has always allowed me to understand the world today. I know that in the future whether I decide to become an educator or a lawyer, I will have the knowledge to thrive in my career.

My internship at the American Museum of Natural History has truly been an amazing experience. Working there has inspired me to make sure that in the future I find a career that I genuinely love and enjoy, a career that allows work to not feel only like work.

The History & Political Science Department at Daemen is small and personal. I have a unique relationship with almost all of the professors in the department. As a student, the departmental faculty treat you like a priority, not just a statistic."



### Nick, History and Political Science

"My time at Daemen College studying in the History and Political Science Department has provided me with a strong foundation and understanding of historical research methods. The required capstone thesis project was both challenging and extremely rewarding. I plan to use these skills as I continue my education in graduate school in hopes of one day becoming a history professor and U.S. military historian."