History

Study the stories of the past and you’ll better understand the present— and be more adequately prepared for the future. As a history major at Northwestern, you’ll learn about people: where they’ve been, what they’ve done, how they think, and who they’ve influenced.

Study options

- History major/minor
- World history education endorsement (grades 7-12)
- American history education endorsement (grades 7-12)
- An interdisciplinary minor in Middle East studies is also an option for students interested in history

Recognizing there’s really no such thing as history recorded from a neutral point of view, our professors study and teach history through the lens of the Christian faith while also appreciating and drawing on history written from other perspectives.

Faculty

Northwestern’s history professors are active scholars and relational mentors. Their doors—and even their homes—will be open to you and other students who think the past is a blast.

Study off-campus

Northwestern offers history majors numerous internship and study abroad opportunities. Programs include:

- **RCA Archives**
  Intern in the Reformed Church in America (RCA) archives at New Brunswick Theological Seminary in New Jersey and take an archival class at Rutgers University.

American Studies Program (ASP)

Work and learn in Washington, D.C. ASP participants have interned at the Holocaust Museum and for members of Congress.

Chicago Semester

In addition to your internship at a Windy City museum, city government office or other organization, you’ll also take classes on Christian social values and urban culture.

Study abroad

Immerse yourself in the history of other countries and cultures. Northwestern offers semester-long programs in Oman and Romania. And the Council for Christian Colleges & Universities offers programs that include history study in China, Costa Rica, England and Egypt.

Making history

Northwestern history graduates have pursued graduate degrees at Boston University, Texas Tech and the University of Glasgow, Scotland. They’re teaching at every level and have careers in historical research and reenactment; museum and archive management; and law, politics, and diplomatic service.

To learn more about our professors and students, and see what graduates are doing:

www.nwciowa.edu/history