

FACULTY OF GRADUATE STUDIES

# **HISTORY (MA)**

The Master of Arts in History is a Joint Master's Program (JMP) offered by the History Departments of The University of Winnipeg and the University of Manitoba. The program prepares students to undertake independent research and place their findings within their historical context.

Students in the program choose one of four streams: a major research paper MA (one year), a course MA (one year), a thesis MA (two years), or an Archival Studies MA (two years). Specialized work is offered in many areas of historical study: Indigenous North America, Canada, Asia, Africa, Medieval and Early Modern Europe, Modern Europe, the United States, Latin America, the History of Science and Medicine, and Archival Studies.

Students completing the History JMP will receive a joint parchment, and may choose to participate in convocation at either of the two universities.

### SAMPLE CAREERS

Graduates are prepared to enter PhD programs or to apply their research skills and knowledge to work in government, museums, and as professional researchers. Graduates of the Archival Studies stream are employed as archivists in public and private sector archives across Canada.

#### **SAMPLE COURSES**

**INDIGENOUS HISTORY: ADVANCED STUDIES** This course explores selected topics, theory, methods, and approaches in Indigenous history in the North American Context. The geographic and temporal focus of the course may vary each time it is offered. Topics may include: state-run healthcare, education and child welfare institutions, legal regulation, family and kinship, land and resources, resistance movements and activism, colonial violence and genocide, monuments, commemoration and public history, religion and spirituality, and Indigenous urban history. The course addresses these topics alongside broader themes and concepts from Indigenous Studies and History, and evaluate sources and methods used to interpret Indigenous history.

**GENDER HISTORY IN CANADA** This course explores the roles, images, and experiences of masculinity and femininity in the past. The course familiarizes students with the changing theoretical and historiographical terrain of gender history. It draws on the international literature but focuses on the history of gender in Canada, and examines how historians analyze masculinity, femininity, the family, sexuality, politics, race/ethnicity, moral regulation, class, nation and colonialism. **HISTORY AND MEMORY** This seminar examines the field of memory studies through a comparative transnational survey with a focus on Canada, USA, and Germany. Memory studies asks not what happened in the past but rather how did individuals and groups remember the past? To answer this question, historians study oral history and other forms of informal communication, formal history education, museums, monuments, film, and photography. Students learn about major concepts such as historical consciousness; narrativity; collective memory; public history; culture and politics of history, including history wars.

## **MORE SAMPLE COURSES**

- Sex Race, and Gender in Early Modern Europe
- Medieval Culture
- Topics in Soviet History
- Studies in Canadian History

- Colonization and the Age of Modernity in Latin America
- Tropical Africa in the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>
  Centuries

## **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

For admission into any stream, the candidate must hold a BA Honours degree or equivalent in History with at least a 'B' or second class standing. Students who lack this qualification, but have an acceptable general degree with a History major (and grade point average of 3.0 in their History courses) are generally admitted to the Pre-Master's Program

## HOW TO APPLY

Students apply for this joint program through the University of Manitoba Faculty of Graduate Studies. Visit <u>https://umanitoba.ca/graduate-studies/graduate-student-admissions</u> for application information.

Deadline for application is January 15 for enrolment in September.

#### FUNDING

Qualified applicants to the History JMP are automatically considered for the Winnipeg Foundation Fellowship in Canadian or Indigenous History (\$17,500), the University of Manitoba Graduate Fellowship (\$14,000), The Faculty of Arts Graduate Award (\$14,000), the Dr. James Burns Entrance Scholarships (\$14,000 or \$8,000), and the University of Winnipeg History Graduate Entrance Scholarship (\$5,000). There are more than 20 other scholarships awarded annually, valued between \$2,000 and \$7,500 each. Most of these scholarships support students researching in the areas of Canadian or Indigenous history.

#### **CONTACT US**

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W: <u>https://www.uwinnipeg.ca/graduate-</u> <u>studies/graduate-programs/joint-master-of-arts-</u> <u>in-history.html</u> In any case where the University's Academic Calendar and this fact sheet differ, the current Calendar takes precedence.