

History Careers

- 1. Teaching
- 2. Civil Service
- 3. Historian
- 4. Lawyer
- 5. Accountancy
- **6. Public Relations**
- 7. Marketing
- 8. Archivist
- 9. Journalism
- 10. Media

History degrees have a good reputation and are popular amongst employers because graduates are analytical and able to express opinion whilst simplifying complex ideas.

Where to find History job adverts

- Broadsheet daily and Sunday Newspapers, particularly the Guardian Media supplement
- The Economist magazine

History Degrees

Subjects to study at A Level:

All. It perfectly compliments the range of subjects in both the humanities and sciences.

Subjects to particularly consider:

English, Government & Politics, Economics, Latin, Modern Languages and Geography.

Wider reading:

Read as much as you can and develop an area of specialism. It is also useful to stay up to date with current affairs so follow: News websites, the Economist magazine and Financial Times.

Top universities:

All leading UK universities offer History. The top 10 UK Universities for History according to the Complete University Guide are:

- 1. Durham
- 2. Cambridge
- 3. Oxford
- 4. St Andrews
- 5. London School of Economics
- 6. Warwick
- 7. University College London (UCL)
- 8. Exeter
- 9. Birmingham
- 10. Bristol

(check UCAS website for entry requirements for these universities: www.ucas.com)



Top Tips

You can also take History with a wide variety of other subjects, and entry requirements are often lower.

Graduate Prospects

A history degree is just the beginning as it opens the door to a multitude of careers. Many graduates find success through Internships and Work Experience.

Gumtree recently completed a poll of employers with the results showing that work experience makes you 95% more employable. The good news carries on, two thirds of employers think candidates with work experience were more knowledgeable, 44% think they are more confident and 40% say they are more committed.

Useful websites for History related work placements and internships:

- 1. http://studyingeconomics.ac.uk/during-your-study/work-experience/places-for-economists/
- 2. www.inspiringinterns.com
- 3. www.graduatetalentpool.direct.gov.uk
- 4. www.milkround.com
- 5. <u>www.interwise.co.uk</u>
- 6. www.gov.uk/government/organisations/foreign-commonwealth-office/about/recruitment
- 7. www.lse.ac.uk/intranet/CareersAndVacancies/careersService/Internships/Home.aspx
- 8. www.ratemyplacement.co.uk
- 9. www.civilservice.gov.uk/networks/ges/student-placements
- 10. www.prospects.ac.uk



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