MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR TIME AT UTM!

We want to help you maximize your university experience, so we’ve pulled together information and interesting suggestions to get you started. As you review the chart on the inside pages, note that many of the suggestions need not be restricted to the year they are mentioned. In fact, activities such as joining an academic society, engaging with faculty and seeking opportunities to gain experience should occur in each year of your study at UTM. Read through the chart and create your own plan using My Program Plan found at www.utm.utoronto.ca/program-plans.

Programs of Study (POST)

- Specialist Program ERSPE0652 History (Arts)
- Major Program ERMAJ0652 History (Arts)
- Minor Program ERMIN0652 History (Arts)

Check out...

Why not take a closer look at Canadian communities? Examine the intertwined social, cultural, economic, and political histories of Indigenous peoples and immigrants in Canada in HIS315H5.

What can I do with my degree?

The career you choose will depend on your experience and interests. Visit the Career Centre to explore your career options.

Careers for Graduates: Historian; Archivist; Librarian; Foreign service officer; Lawyer; Museum curator; Teacher; Politician; Journalist; Documentarian; Social policy researcher.

Workplaces: Education; Government; Non-profit agencies; Museums; Legal agencies.
# HOW TO USE THIS PROGRAM PLAN

Read through each year. Investigate what appeals to you here and in any other Program Plans that apply to you. Visit www.utm.utoronto.ca/program-plans to create your own plan using My Program Plan. Update your plan yearly.

## 1ST YEAR

| Enrol in HIS101H5. |
| Use the Co-Curricular Record (CCR) to search for opportunities beyond the classroom, and keep track of your accomplishments. |
| Attend the Get Experience Fair through the Career Centre (CC) to learn about on- and off-campus opportunities. |
| Networking simply means talking to people and developing relationships with them. Start by joining the Historical Studies Society (HSS). Go to the HSS Meet & Greet to meet professors and fellow students. |
| Visit the UTM Library Reference Desk. |
| Attend events held by the International Education Centre (IEC) to explore different cultures through food, music, and sport or through sight-seeing around the GTA. |
| Embark on a UTM Abroad Co-Curricular Experience to Peru through the IEC. Travel with a faculty member and visit Machu Picchu and the Incan Citadel while learning about gender rights. |
| Prefer traveling in Canada? Check out the IEC's UTM Across Canada program. |

## 2ND YEAR

| Over the course of your degree, earn at least 0.5 200+ level credits in 3 of 4 geographical areas of study. View the Academic Calendar for details. |
| Consider applying for a Research Opportunity Program (ROP) courses HIS399Y, HIS399Y and HIS499Y. Visit the EED website for ROP Course Prerequisites. Attend the RGASC's P.A.R.T. to enhance your research skills. |
| Use the Career Learning Network (CLN) to find postings for on- and off-campus work and volunteer opportunities. |
| Work on-campus through the Work-Study program. View position descriptions on the CLN. |

## 3RD YEAR

| Earn 3.0 credits at the 300 level. |
| Throughout your undergraduate degree: |
| - use the Degree Explorer to ensure you complete your degree and program requirements. |
| - see the Office of the Registrar and the Historical Studies Academic Counsellor. |

## 4TH OR FINAL YEAR

| Earn 0.5 HIS credits at the 400 level. |
| Consider a practical work-based experience through the internship course HIS498Y. Speak to the Historical Studies Academic Counsellor. |
| Explore your interests. Interested in Traditional Aboriginal cultures? Take part in the Waawaatit NoNorthern Lights Initiative through the Centre for Student Engagement. Want to increase awareness about gender and equality? Consider working with the UTM Women's Centre. |
| Establish a professional presence on social media (e.g., LinkedIn). |
| Get published in Prandium: the Journal of Historical Studies at UTM or volunteer as an editor or reviewer for Future of History undergraduate journal at Uoit. |
| Earn credits overseas! Study for a summer, term or year at one of 120 universities including Akita International University (Japan) or Lund University (Sweden). Speak to the IEC for details about Course Based Exchange and funding. |

## BUILD A NETWORK

- Visit www.utm.utoronto.ca/program-plans for the online version and links.

## BUILD A GLOBAL MINDSET

- Revised on: 08/25/17

## PLAN FOR YOUR FUTURE

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*Consult the Academic Calendar for greater detail on course requirements, program notes and degree requirements.
Skills developed in History

To be competitive in the job market, it is essential that you can explain your skills to an employer. Visit the Career Centre to learn how to articulate and market the following skills.

Communication: clear and persuasive speaking and writing; the formulation and defence of an informed opinion; and adaptation to new cultural settings.

Research: finding and selecting good sources of information; attention to detail; evaluation of ideas and opinions; analysis of complex systems; understanding how history has shaped people and their environments.

Problem-solving: critical thinking; evidence-based decision-making; logical reasoning; and a flexibility to take multiple perspectives.

Organizational: the ability to complete complex tasks; independent learning; team work; and leadership.

Services that support you

- AccessAbility Resource Centre (AARC)
- Career Centre (CC)
- Centre for Student Engagement (CSE)
- Department of Historical Studies, Academic Counsellor
- Department of Historical Studies, Program Directors
- Experiential Education Office (EEO)
- Health & Counselling Centre (HCC)
- Indigenous Centre (IC)
- International Education Centre (IEC)
- Office of Student Transition (OST)
- Office of the Registrar (OR)
- Recreation, Athletics and Wellness Centre (RAWC)
- Robert Gillespie Academic Skills Centre (RGASC)
- UTM Library, Hazel McCallion Academic Learning Centre (HMALC)

Get involved

Check out student organizations and history-related activities. Here are a few:

- Historical Studies Society (HSS)
- The Prandium seminar series
- UTM Student Union (UTMSU)
- UTM Athletics Council (UTMAC)

For a listing of clubs on campus visit www.utm.utoronto.ca/clubs.

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FUTURE STUDENTS

Admission to UTM

All program areas require an Ontario Secondary School Diploma, or equivalent, with six Grade 12 U/M courses, or equivalent, including English. The admission average is calculated with English plus the next best five courses. The approximate average required for admission is mid- to high-70s. More information is available at utm.utoronto.ca/viewbook.

NOTE: During the application process, applicants will select the Humanities admissions category, but will not officially be admitted to a formal program of study (Specialist, Major, and/or Minor) until after first year.

Sneak Peek

Gain a better understanding of the historical roots of contemporary Middle Eastern politics in HIS201H5 Introduction to Middle Eastern History. Learn the classic texts and recent scholarship on economic life in HIS212H5 The History of Capitalism. Challenge what you thought you knew about the European Middle Ages in HIS221H5 Themes in Medieval History.

In History, we offer our senior students an opportunity to apply their research skills in work settings outside the university such as at museums, historical societies and public archives (HIS498YS). This internship opportunity is a chance for students to develop skills, contribute to the historical record and make contact with the local historical community.

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