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History

What does a history major study?

History is the analysis of change over time, and the entire past is the province of the inquiring history student. As one of the ancient disciplines, history defies modern categorization. Most place it in the humanities, but history is partly art, partly science, and some even call it a social science.

Why study history at Coastal Carolina University?

- The Waccamaw Center for Cultural and Historical Studies involves faculty, students and the community in the rich heritage of the local area along the beautiful and historic Waccamaw River. Explorations include colonial life, slavery, the Revolutionary War, and the history of Myrtle Beach and the surrounding area. Students may participate through formal coursework or independent study and avail themselves of the center's bountiful resources.
- The Center for Archaeology and Anthropology offers opportunities for field work at dig sites and a selection of courses that expand student understanding of mankind's origin, evolution, and cultural patterns.
- The Center for Peace and Conflict Studies promotes, through its academic program, the understanding of conflict—its causes and consequences, its representation in the arts and humanities, and conflict resolution—and promotes human rights, human respect, and human responsibility.
- Students may take part in internships in local museums and archives.
- Study abroad opportunities are available to Italy, Great Britain, France, Greece, Egypt, Germany, and many other locations globally.
- Students can complete individual research projects with faculty. Recent projects have included explorations of local history.
- For those wishing to teach in public schools, Coastal Carolina University offers a Master of Arts in Teaching program that certifies history majors to teach at the secondary level.

What are some career options for history majors?

- Government analyst
- Archivist
- Teacher
- Librarian
- Museum specialist
- Attorney

What kind of courses do history majors take?

HIST 101	The Foundations of European Civilization
HIST 303	Renaissance and Reformation
HIST 308	World War I and the Twenty Years' Truce
HIST 316	The Roman Empire
HIST 367	Colonial America
HIST 371	Civil War and Reconstruction
HIST 389	The New South

Whom can I contact for more information?

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