

History

Description of the major:

History encompasses all aspects of past human endeavors; it encourages students to think broadly and meaningfully about our world and ourselves. Coastal Carolina University's history program teaches students research methods, critical-thinking skills, and writing skills desirable in many employment fields. History students learn how to gather evidence, analyze artifacts and texts, and present arguments.

The department offers an interdisciplinary minor in African diaspora studies that provides students with the learning environment and the tools to deepen their knowledge about the history, art and culture of people of African descent, and a minor in military science, designed for students who are enrolled in the U.S. Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC). The history department also offers a certificate in cultural heritage studies that prepares students to understand, interpret and promote a broad range of artifacts, texts, buildings, landscapes and behaviors of cultures around the world, with an emphasis on our own unique region.

The student experience:

- History at CCU provides unique opportunities for students to gain hands-on experiences through various internships, archival research, digital projects, study-abroad programs, paper presentations and local excursions.
- Award-winning and dedicated faculty members offer diverse and exciting courses, and engage in high-impact teaching through honors courses, independent studies, directed research, senior theses and regular advising.



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- African diaspora studies
 - Middle grades education social studies
 - Military science
 - Cultural heritage studies certificate
- Students at CCU are immersed in the unique region of the Waccamaw River and the Grand Strand, areas rich in the history and culture of Native American populations; European colonial settlements; Revolutionary War sites; plantation systems and slavery; Gullah Geechee people; agriculture; civil rights movements; international migrations; and modern tourism.

Areas of study:

Students choose from a wide range of general courses in U.S. and world history, including Asia, the Atlantic, Europe, Latin America, the Pacific, and the Middle East, and from diverse specialized courses on such thematic topics as cultural exchange; digital history; race and ethnicity; religion; science and medicine; Southern studies; war and society; and women and gender.

Beyond the classroom:

History allows you to launch a career in many areas. The study of history is important for government analysts, military leaders, lawyers, paralegals, journalists, teachers, museum educators, entrepreneurs, archivists, librarians, theologians, politicians, scientists, museum curators, historical interpreters, lobbyists, business people, and many other professions.

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