



**ST. JOHN'S
UNIVERSITY**

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE OF
LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES

Doctor of Philosophy in World History

ABOUT THE PH.D. IN WORLD HISTORY

The innovative Ph.D. in World History at St. John's University combines traditional academic rigor in research with an emphasis on new pedagogies, interdisciplinary study, technology, collaborative work, community engagement, and real-world internship training to provide you with a wide range of career opportunities. This dynamic program redefines and reclaims the vital roles that professionals with advanced humanities training play in our complex, global society.

The 60-credit program uniquely features internship rotations that allow you to apply your knowledge and training to practice in the community. You have the opportunity to gain valuable professional experience in fields such as libraries and archives; parks and heritage tourism; publishing, editing, and production; secondary and postsecondary teaching; museums and galleries; filmmaking and digital media; and nonprofit organizations, nongovernmental organizations, and governmental agencies.

The Department of History's full-time faculty members are active scholars with fields of expertise that include African, American, Asian, European, Latin American, and Middle Eastern studies. As a doctoral student at St. John's, you benefit from close mentoring relationships with these professors and become a member of our vibrant intellectual community.

The program is geared toward both the traditional full-time doctoral student and the working professional seeking a degree part time. If you already hold a master's degree in history or a related field, you may qualify for up to 24 credits of advanced standing.

WHAT CAN I DO WITH A PH.D. IN WORLD HISTORY?

The communication skills, analytical thinking, and historical perspectives you gain through the Ph.D. program prepare you for tenure-track faculty positions in history as well as careers in museums, libraries, cultural agencies and institutions, consulting firms, and digital and traditional media companies. The distinctive socially-aware, problem-solving, and service-oriented education you receive at St. John's helps you excel in the areas of teaching, public history, and public service. Thanks to the internship experience built in to the program, you enter the job market with not only an advanced degree and body of original research, but also professional experience in a field that suits your interests and career aspirations.

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

The Department of History at St. John's University is committed to academic excellence, analytic rigor, and creative engagement within the field of history and the world at large. Our faculty is internationally recognized for its cutting-edge academic research and for its public history projects that make a meaningful impact in our society. History is not just a subject to master; it is a way to engage with the world and to make a contribution. Our department focuses on professional training and real-world experience. We will work with you to develop your own research agenda and professional goals. Feel free to contact me with additional questions or to schedule a visit, and **welcome to St. John's!**

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RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

In the Ph.D. program at St. John's, you have many opportunities—both formal and informal—to develop yourself professionally. You gain real-world experience and build your professional network through internship rotations. The e-portfolio you develop in the program allows you to showcase and document your teaching, publications, and public history projects. Your dissertation allows you to present in-depth original research in either a traditional format or a high-quality digital media, museum, archival, or oral history project.

You meet once a month in our doctoral colloquium to present research and publications and gather for workshops and roundtable discussions. You'll also be able to gain professional training through planning the History department's international World History Theory and Practice conference and through joining the World History Group that discusses teaching history in the core curriculum. For teaching experience, you may shadow faculty members teaching undergraduate courses. Through St. John's Center for Teaching and Learning, you have access to professional development workshops in grant writing, fundraising, digital humanities, web and social media marketing, and organizational leadership. You always have the individual attention of the faculty members in the Department of History, who work with you on articulating and developing your career aspirations.

ASSISTANTSHIPS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND FINANCIAL AID

The University awards a limited number of graduate assistantships and doctoral fellowships to highly qualified students each year. These positions provide tuition remission and a stipend and involve assisting faculty with their research.

The Department of History also offers the Nickolas Davatzes Scholarship to qualified graduate students who are committed to teaching and engaging in research in American History or Classical and/or Modern Greek History, and who demonstrate financial need. The scholarship fund was established in 2007 by Nickolas Davatzes '62C, '64G, '95HON, who established the A&E Network and the History Channel, and Dorothea Hayes Davatzes '66Ed. Scholarships are granted by the department on a competitive basis and provide \$5,000 for summer research or tuition assistance.

For more information about assistantships, fellowships, scholarships, and other types of financial aid, please visit the Graduate Admission page at stjohns.edu/admission/graduate.

PROGRAM INFORMATION AND APPLICATIONS

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