Career Advancement

Graduate study in history prepares students for occupations such as high school or college teaching, publishing, commercial research, foundations and nongovernmental organizations, and government or other public services. With additional specialized training, students may become qualified for careers in historical site preparation and display, and archival, library, or museum work.

Some students choose to pursue the combined Master of Arts/Juris Doctor program, which leads to degrees in both law and history; see Combined Programs [p. ] in this section of the catalog.

The University of Iowa’s history graduates who earn an MA experience remarkable job placement rates, depending on their area of study. Graduate and postdoctoral career services offer multiple resources to assist students in locating opportunities and preparing for jobs upon completion of the program.