

# HIST-355 : Public History

An introduction to the practice, methods, and theories of applied history in the contexts of public history sites, oral history, and local history. Students will be introduced to best practices for museum and archive collection development, accessioning and deaccessioning artifacts, conducting oral history interviews, and responsible application of history skills to real-world problems. Students will: visit local museums, archives, and library special collections to see public history in action; participate in Storied Halls, which is an ongoing, collaborative student-faculty oral history research project; conduct a substantial original research project on local history through local archival repositories; and present their work as research papers, history talks, museum exhibits, and/or digital history displays. Offered alternate years.

**Credits** 3

**Term Offered**

Fall Only

**Session Cycle**

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