Curriculum Guide
M.A. in Public History

Department of History
Wayne State University

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Museum Studies Track

MAPH Core Courses

HIS 7835, Public History: Theory and Method (3 cr.)
HIS 7855, Memory and History (3 cr.)
HIS 7998, Internship in Public History (3 cr.)
HIS 7999, Master’s Project (3 cr.) & Portfolio

Track Core Course

ANT 5600, Museum Studies (3 cr.)

One Methodology Course, selected from among the following:

LIS 7710/HIS 7840, Archival Administration (3 cr.)
LIS 7770/HIS 7860/ANT 6360, Oral History (3 cr.)
LIS 7885/HIS 7880, Administration of Historical Agencies (3 cr.)
UP 6700/GPH 6700, Geographic Information Systems (4 cr.)

Three History Courses numbered 5000 or above in a geographic specialization (U.S., European, or World history), at least one of which must be an 8000-level seminar.

Two Public History Electives, selected from list of current electives

Students who are interested in administrative positions at museums should strongly consider electives in public or nonprofit management, grant writing, and/or budgeting and finance.
Public Policy Track

MAPH Core Courses

HIS 7835, Public History: Theory and Method (3 cr.)
HIS 7855, Memory and History (3 cr.)
HIS 7998, Internship in Public History (3 cr.)
HIS 7999, Master’s Project (3 cr.) & Portfolio

Track Core Course

PS 7410, Policy Formation and Implementation (3 cr.)

One Quantitative Reasoning Course, selected from among those offered across the university, in consultation with the MAPH advisor (3-4 cr.)

Three History Courses numbered 5000 or above in a geographic specialization (U.S., European, or World history), at least one of which must be an 8000-level seminar.

Two Public History Electives, selected from list of current electives

Students in the public policy track should select electives that focus on practical, rather than theoretical, applications. Courses on budgeting and management will be especially helpful for students who want to work in this area. As such, students are advised to review course offerings in social work, sociology, management, finance, or business administration, as they may be relevant to their career goals.
Cultural Resource Management Track

MAPH Core Courses

HIS 7835, Public History: Theory and Method (3 cr.)
HIS 7855, Memory and History (3 cr.)
HIS 7998, Internship in Public History (3 cr.)
HIS 7999, Master’s Project (3 cr.) & Portfolio

Track Core Course

ANT 6555, Cultural Resource Management and Public Archaeology (3 cr.)

One Methodology Course, selected from among the following:

ANT 5280, Field Work in the Archaeology of the Americas (4 cr.)
ANT 6570, Archaeological Laboratory Analysis (3 cr.)
LIS 7885/HIS 7880, Administration of Historical Agencies (3 cr.)
UP 6700/GPH 6700, Geographic Information Systems (4 cr.)

Three History Courses numbered 5000 or above in a geographic specialization (U.S., European, or World history), at least one of which must be an 8000-level seminar.

Two Public History Electives, selected from list of current electives
African American History and Culture Track

MAPH Core Courses

HIS 7835, Public History: Theory and Method (3 cr.)
HIS 7855, Memory and History (3 cr.)
HIS 7998, Internship in Public History (3 cr.)
HIS 7999, Master’s Project (3 cr.) & Portfolio

Track Core Course

HIS 7261, African Americans, History and Memory (4 cr.)

One Methodology Course, selected from among the following:

LIS 7710/HIS 7840, Archival Administration (3 cr.)
LIS 7770/HIS 7860/ANT 6360, Oral History (3 cr.)
LIS 7885/HIS 7880, Administration of Historical Agencies (3 cr.)
ANT 5210, Anthropological Methods (4 cr.)
UP 6700/GPH 6700, Geographic Information Systems (4 cr.)

One History Seminar, selected from among the following:

HIS 8010, Seminar in Early American History (3 cr.)
HIS 8020, Seminar in Nineteenth Century US (3 cr.)
HIS 8030, Seminar in Modern American History (3 cr.)

Two History Courses, selected from among the following*:

HIS 5235, The Civil Rights Movement (3 cr.)
HIS 6170, Studies in Ethnicity and Race in American Life (3 cr.)
HIS 7241, Readings in American Slavery (4 cr.)

*Courses listed at the 5000-level in the Department of African American Studies may be suitable substitutions for those listed above, with permission of DGS

Two Public History Electives, selected from list of current electives
Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies Track

MAFH Core Courses

HIS 7835, Public History: Theory and Method (3 cr.)
HIS 7855, Memory and History (3 cr.)
HIS 7998, Internship in Public History (3 cr.)
HIS 7999, Master’s Project (3 cr.) & Portfolio

Track Core Course

GSW 7200, Feminist, Gender, and Queer Theory (3 cr.)

One Methodology Course, selected from among the following:

LIS 7710/HIS 7840, Archival Administration (3 cr.)
LIS 7770/HIS 7860/ANT 6360, Oral History (3 cr.)
LIS 7885/HIS 7880, Administration of Historical Agencies (3 cr.)
ANT 5210, Anthropological Methods (4 cr.)
UP 6700/GPH 6700, Geographic Information Systems (4 cr.)

History Seminar

HIS 8150, Seminar in the History of Gender, Women, and Sexuality (3 cr.)

Two History Courses, selected from among the following:

HIS 5875, Gender in Modern East Asia (4 cr.)
HIS 7200, Readings in Women, Gender, and Sexuality in U.S. History (3 cr.)
HIS 7251, History of Feminism (4 cr.)
HIS 8030, Seminar in Modern American History (3 cr.)
HIS 8240, Seminar in Modern Europe (3 cr.)

Two Public History Electives, selected from list of current electives
Urban and Labor History Track

MAPH Core Courses

HIS 7835, Public History: Theory and Method (3 cr.)
HIS 7855, Memory and History (3 cr.)
HIS 7998, Internship in Public History (3 cr.)
HIS 7999, Master's Project (3 cr.) & Portfolio

Track Core Course, selected from among the following:

HIS 7290, Readings in American Labor History (4 cr.)
HIS 7670, Modern American Cities (4 cr.)
HIS 7660, Global Cities (3 cr.)

One Methodology Course, selected from among the following:

LIS 7710/HIS 7840, Archival Administration (3 cr.)
LIS 7770/HIS 7860/ANT 6360, Oral History (3 cr.)
LIS 7885/HIS 7880, Administration of Historical Agencies (3 cr.)
ANT 5210, Anthropological Methods (4 cr.)
UP 6700/GPH 6700, Geographic Information Systems (4 cr.)

History Seminar

HIS 8060, North American Labor History (3 cr.)

Two History Courses, selected from among the following:

HIS 7290, Readings in American Labor History (4 cr.)*
HIS 7660, Global Cities (4 cr.)*
HIS 7670, Modern American Cities (4 cr.)*
HIS 7725, Readings in African Cities (4 cr.)
HIS 8030, Seminar in Modern American History (3 cr.)
HIS 8240, Seminar in Modern Europe (3 cr.)

Two Public History Electives, selected from list of current electives

*If not selected as track core course
Public History Electives

Courses not listed here may also be appropriate as electives; please work with the MAPH advisor to identify electives relevant to your track and your professional goals.

ACS 5650, Museum Culture: Histories, Critiques, Practices (3 cr.)
ANT 5060, Urban Anthropology (3 cr.)
ANT 5500, Historical Archaeology (3 cr.)
ANT 5565, Urban Archaeology (3 cr.)
ANT 5600, Museum Studies (3 cr.)
ANT 6990, Grant Proposal Writing for the Social Sciences (3 cr.)
ANT 7625, Material Culture and the Social Meaning of Things (3 cr.)
LIS 7440, Scripting Languages (3 cr.)
LIS 7450, Digital Imaging (3 cr.)
LIS 7710/HIS 7840, Archival Administration (3 cr.)
LIS 7730/HIS 7890, Administration of Audio Visual Collections (3 cr.)
LIS 7740/HIS 7745, Archives and Libraries in the Digital World (3 cr.)
LIS 7770/HIS 7860/ANT 6360, Oral History (3 cr.)
LIS 7780/HIS 7820, Description and Access for Archives (3 cr.)
LIS 7885/HIS 7880, Administration of Historical Agencies (3 cr.)
PS 6700, Financial Management for Nonprofit Organizations (3 cr.)
PS 6710, Introduction to Nonprofit Organizations (3 cr.)
PS 6720, Marketing, Development & Grant Writing for Nonprofit Organizations (3 cr.)
PS 7240/UP 7650, Urban Public Policy (3 cr.)
PS 7330, Public Budgeting and Finance (3 cr.)
PS 7350, Managing Public Organizations and Programs (3 cr.)
UP 5110, Urban Planning Process (3 cr.)
UP 6510, Urban and Regional Systems (3 cr.)
UP 6700/GPH 6700, Geographic Information Systems (4 cr.)