

What can I do with a major in Art History?

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This information describes typical occupations and employment settings associated with this major. Understand some of these options may require additional training. Moreover, you are not limited to these options when choosing a possible career path.

Description of Art History

The objective of a concentration in Art History is the development of a basic knowledge of the history of art within the broader context of social, intellectual and cultural history. Some students want to pursue careers as curators or archivists at museums and galleries across the country. Others, knowing they have an eye for art and design, but lack the interest in pursuing a career as an artist, use Art History to hone their intellectual abilities in art for careers in media, advertising, publishing, fashion or design. Another path for historians is art therapy, working with handicapped or disabled people. There is a trend toward providing additional training and certification for this specialty. Others move into careers in business, government and other non-profit organizations. With advanced degrees professional employment opportunities include college and university teaching, museum and research positions, as well as careers in restoration and conservation.

Research Careers

O*NET, <http://online.onetcenter.org> (click on Find Occupations)

Occupational Outlook Handbook, www.bls.gov/oco (type in general term for career of interest)

Alberta Occupational Profiles, www.alis.gov.ab.ca/occinfo/frameset.asp (click on Occupational Title Search)

Georgia Career Information Center, www.gcic.peachnet.edu

***Please visit the Career Center Library or your Career Consultant if you need additional information or assistance.**

Possible Job Titles of Art History Graduates

(*As reported by UGA Career Center post-graduate survey)

Appraiser	Costume Designer	Researcher*
Archivist	Editor	Restorer
Art Critic	Filmmaker	Retail Art Consultant
Art Therapist *	Librarian	Set Designer
Corporate Curator	Museum Employee	Teacher*
Curator	Non-Profit Administrator	Writer

Possible Employers of Art History Graduates

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Advertising Firms	Aurum Studios*	Design Website Company*
JPS Signature Collection*	National Gallery of Art	The River Gallery*
Architecture Firms	College Concepts, Inc.*	East Carolina University*
Leed's Gallery*	National Museum of American Art	The Story Group*
Art Appraisers	Columbus State University*	Freer Gallery of Art
MLT Creative*	Photo Agencies & Studios	The University of Georgia*
Art Galleries	Craft Guilds	Georgia Museum of Art*
Museum of Modern Art*	Pier 59 Studios*	Union University*
Auction Houses	Dalton Carpet One*	Hirshhorn Museum*
National Endowment for the Arts	Publishing Houses	
Historical Societies		

Career Center Library Resources

Careers for Culture Lovers & other Artsy Types, by Eberts, Marjorie

Great Jobs for Liberal Arts Majors, by Camenson, Blythe

Great Jobs for Art Majors, by Camenson, Blythe

Campus Resources

Art History Department- <http://art.uga.edu/index.php?cat=20>

Art History Society, <http://artuga.tumblr.com/> or arhsocietyuga@gmail.com

Georgia Museum of Art, 706.542.GMOA (706.542.4662), <http://georgiamuseum.org/>

Employment Websites

UGA DAWGlink (career.uga.edu)- <https://uga-csm.symplicity.com/students/index.php>

Christie's - www.christies.com/home_page/home_page.asp

Georgia Archives - sos.georgia.gov/archives/

Museum Employment Resource - www.museum-employment.com/

Museum Jobs - www.museumjobs.com/

New York Foundation for the Arts - www.nyfa.org/default.asp

Visual Nation - www.visualnation.com/

World Wide Art Resources - <http://wwar.com/>

Additional Resources

American Association of Museums - www.aam-us.org/

American Society For Aesthetics - <http://aesthetics-online.org/>

Art History Network - www.arthistory.net/

Association of Art Historians - www.aah.org.uk/

Society of American Archivists - www.archivists.org/

The College Art Association - www.collegeart.org/

The Society of Architectural Historians - www.sah.org/