



WHAT CAREERS FOLLOW A HISTORY DEGREE?

On [this page](#), we debunk the myth that Australian history graduates are not 'Job-Ready.' Here, we give links to historians in other countries providing similar evidence; outline the main careers that history graduates enjoy; and provide tips for explaining the benefits of your historical learning to employers.

- In 2022 the Australian Historical Association [conducted a survey of 791](#) history graduates and found the top four fields of employment to be business, government, education, and academia.
- In 2022, the [US Bureau of Labor Statistics](#) suggested the main jobs for history majors were librarians, lawyers, teachers, and journalists.
- In [2017 the American Historical Association](#) provided evidence to show that the top five professions of history graduates were based in education, management, law, sales, and administration; that history graduates had better-than-average prospects of employment; and that they had similar salaries to those who graduated in psychology or life sciences.
- In 2024, the Australasian Council of Deans of Arts, Social Sciences, and Humanities [reported good news](#) about careers from that sector.
- This [American source](#) also has much data on some good outcomes of studying history.
- The American Historical Association has a useful essay here on [How to Talk to Employers about Your History Degree](#).