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“In the Department of History, I was taught to question information and theories—to consider the context they were developed in and to place them in a broader historical narrative. The ability to think critically has prepared me for my career because I now prioritize fully understanding the context of multiple sides of an argument before making a decision.

“In my current research position, this provides depth to the final product of my written analyses. This skill of approaching evidence critically has also prepared me for law school, where evidence is the backbone of legal arguments.”

Curriculum requirements
The History Workshop gateway course
4 breadth courses from six major areas
(Africa/Asia/Middle East; Ancient/Medieval Europe; Modern Europe; Latin America;
United States; Special (Global, Topical, etc.)
4 electives, with three comprising a concentration
(geographic- or time period-focused)
The Department Seminar research capstone course

Study everything. Do anything.