

History Cooperative PhD

The cooperative PhD with SIU Carbondale provides students with expertise in historical methodology and research, as well as subject-area expertise within the various fields of history.

Students may concentrate in any of the fields where there is faculty expertise, including, but not limited to:

- African History
- African-American History
- Ancient History
- Asian History
- Atlantic World History
- Environmental History
- European History (Ancient-Medieval-Renaissance-Early Modern-Modern)
- Latin American History (Colonial-Modern)
- Middle Eastern History
- Native American History
- United States History (Colonial-Antebellum-late 19th Century-20th Century)
- Urban History

Admission Requirements

Applicants must meet the admission requirements of the SIUE and SIUC Graduate Schools and must be approved by both the SIUE Historical Studies and the SIUC History departments.

- Master's degree in history or closely related field
- If applicant has non-history master's, must have at least 18 credit hours of history at the undergraduate level carrying a GPA in history of 3.0 or above.
- Non-native English speakers must demonstrate English proficiency in their application

Application Process

Some application materials must be sent to SIUE while some must be sent to SIUC. Follow the instructions below to ensure your application review is not delayed. Documents under each institution must be received by that institution before applications will be reviewed by that institution.

SIUE Application

Applicants must complete the online application. Preferred application deadlines are February 1 for fall applications and November 1 for spring applications.

The following documents must be uploaded to your online application:

- \$40 application fee
- Official bachelor's transcript
- Official master's transcript
- A 15-25 page writing sample demonstrating applicant's competence in historic research and writing
- A personal statement outlining applicant's historical experience, areas of historical interest and goals
- Three letters of recommendation from those who know the applicant's previous historical work the best

International Students

- Official TOEFL Score (institution code 1759)

Official transcripts must be sent electronically to sueapps@siue.edu directly from the institution or mailed to:

SIUE Graduate and International Admissions
Historical Studies Co-Op PhD
Campus Box 1047
Edwardsville, IL 62026-1047

Faculty

Graduate Program

Director, History

Erik B. Alexander, PhD
Coordinator of Co-Op PhD Program

19th Century United States, Civil War
2011, University of Virginia

Graduate Program

Director,

Museum Studies

Laura Milsk Fowler, PhD
Museum Studies and Public History, Modern American History, Illinois, Urban
2003, Loyola University, Chicago

African-American History

Jessica C. Harris, PhD

20th Century African-American, Urban, Women
2011, Cornell University

Victoria Harrison, PhD

19th Century African-American, Vietnam
2008, St. Louis University

Bryan M. Jack, PhD

African-American, St. Louis, the American South
2004, St. Louis University

Kevin Leonard, PhD

Dean, College of Arts and Sciences
20th Century, Western U.S.
1992, University of California, Davis

Tandra Taylor, ABD

20th Century, Gender History, Public History
2017, MA, St. Louis University

American History

Jeffrey T. Manuel, PhD

20th Century United States, Public and Oral History, History of Technology
2009, University of Minnesota

Robert E. Paulett, PhD

Early American, History of Science and Cartography
2006, William and Mary

Jason E. Stacy, PhD

Antebellum United States, Cultural History, Digital Editing, History Pedagogy
2006, Loyola University, Chicago

European History

Carole Collier Frick, PhD

Renaissance Italy, Early Modern Europe, Feminist Theory
1995, UCLA

Jennifer A. Miller, PhD

Modern Europe, Germany and Turkey, Women and Gender
2008, Rutgers University

Eric Ruckh, PhD

Modern Europe, Critical Theory, Intellectual
1997, University of California-Irvine

Non-Western History

Anthony Q. Cheeseboro, PhD

Africa
1993, Michigan State

Christienne L. Hinz, PhD

Japan, Business, Women
2001, The Ohio State University

Thomas Jordan, PhD

Latin America, Brazil
2000, University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign

Stephen E. Tamari, PhD

Middle East/Ottoman, Arab, Cultural and Intellectual
1998, Georgetown University

Allison Thomason, PhD

Ancient World, Ancient Near East, Art History, Archaeology
1999, Columbia University

Kathleen Vongsathorn, PhD

Africa, History of Medicine
2012, University of Oxford

SIUC Application

Review happens concurrently, and all application materials should be submitted to both campuses at the start of the process.

- Applicants need to submit an electronic application.
 - Create an account
 - Program selection will be Historical Studies
 - Degree selection will be PhD
 - When asked to provide letters of recommendation, enter SIUE as the recommender with the email address of siueapps@siue.edu
 - This will allow SIUE to attach the letters of recommendation already submitted to SIUE to SIUC.

International students

- Financial Statement
 - This document is found at the end of the SIUC application. It must be completed even if you have been promised an assistantship.
 - Before you can be admitted, it is necessary for you to indicate that a minimum of U.S. \$40,500 will be available to you for each year of your proposed course of study.
 - Be sure to indicate if your studies are totally dependent upon an assistantship or if you have personal funds to fulfill this requirement.
 - If you have personal funds, be sure to submit official documentation of funds and amounts via a recent bank statement
 - Copy of Passport showing your name, date of birth and country of citizenship
- Current SIUC non-refundable application fee in U.S. dollars (credit card only)

Admission Process

The Graduate Committees of both SIUE and SIUC's Departments of History will review the applications submitted to their respective universities. Upon joint acceptance by the two departments, applicants will be referred to each university's respective Graduate Schools for final admission. Students will enter SIUE as unclassified graduate students and will enter SIUC as classified graduate students in history.

Admission to the program will be granted by SIUC.

Graduation

The doctoral degree is conferred by Southern Illinois University Carbondale. Students must apply for graduation and pay application fees by the deadline via SalukiNET.

Curriculum

The doctoral program requires a minimum of 24 semester hours of coursework and 24 hours of dissertation research. The coursework is to be comprised of program requirements and elective course requirements.

Following completion of coursework, students must pass comprehensive field examinations and an oral defense of their dissertation prospectus before being advanced to candidacy. Completion of the PhD also requires an oral defense of the dissertation. Exam and dissertation committees will be comprised of faculty from both SIUE and SIUC.

Core requirements

- Students will complete six to eight hours in Historiography/Methodology and Historical Research.

Elective Requirements

- Minimum of 16 additional hours of coursework at the 400- or 500-level to provide substantial depth in areas of research and breadth in examination fields. Full-time students typically complete upwards of 40 credit hours prior to their exams. The courses and credit hours necessary for a doctoral student to prepare for preliminary examinations will be determined by the student's advisory committee.

Campus Requirements

- At least six credit hours must be taken in non-European and non-United States history
- Students must also demonstrate competency in at least two research tools, at least one must consist of a foreign language.
- No more than 14 credit hours total may be taken as independent study, tutorial, or directed readings courses.
- Students must complete at least eight credit hours of coursework at SIUC