

Allen Davis PhD Fellow in Public History Course of Study



Required Courses* (33 credit hours)

- 2 U.S. intro seminars (8101)
- 1 methods course (8714) in first year
- 2 reading seminars, 1 in first year
- 2 research seminars, 1 in second semester
- 2 reading seminars in outside field
- 1 public history intro (8152)
- 1 public history elective

Ideal Sequence

Year 1		Year 2		Year 3	
<u>Fall (1)</u>	<u>Spring (2)</u>	<u>Fall (3)</u>	<u>Spring (4)</u>	<u>Fall (5)</u>	<u>Spring (6)</u>
Intro U.S. 1	Research Sem 1	P.H. elective	Intro U.S. 2	Research Sem 2	Exams
Intro P.H.	Reading Sem 1	Public History Practicum in cooperation with institutional partner		Reading Sem 2	
Methods	Outside 1			Outside 2	

Public History Exam

Rather than test in an “extra” field, the Davis Fellow may demonstrate mastery of the themes and issues bearing on the practice of public history through a presentation (preferably to an audience larger than the exam committee) concerning a project or a set of projects undertaken during the course of the year-2 public history practicum. The presentation should summarize the project(s), situate it/them within relevant recent scholarship, and discuss how the project(s) serves the public historian’s commitments to civic engagement and shared authority. The presentation must reflect insights garnered during the Fellow’s participation in both required public history courses and can elaborate on a written summary of work performed during the practicum, which will have been compiled in conjunction with the public history coordinator during the previous year.

With the approval of his/her primary advisor and the director of public history (if the director of public history is not the primary advisor), the Davis Fellow may opt to take an examination in public history as a “Fourth Field.”

* Based on current requirements for doctoral students in U.S. history.