

HISTORY PROGRAM ASSESSMENT SURVEY
for graduating seniors

VTSU

To assess our history program, we are asking for your help. Please answer the following questions as completely and honestly as you can. You will remain anonymous. Your answers will help us to better understand the strengths and shortcomings of the history major.

TODAY'S DATE _____

What is your VTSU campus? _____

General Questions

1. On what date (month/year) do you expect to graduate? _____

2. Indicate which of the following apply to your academic program (check and describe):

_____ academic minor in _____

_____ concentration in _____

_____ second major in _____

Employment/Career Preparation

1. Employers value the following skills and aptitudes. Which have you developed or strengthened through your major? Give an example for each.

- Written communication

- Oral communication

- Working effectively in teams

- Critical thinking

- Adaptability
- Working with people from different backgrounds
- Complex problem-solving
- Curiosity
- Analytic skills
- Locating and evaluating information from a variety of sources
- Integrating and applying ideas across different settings and contexts.

(Source: AAC&U “The Career-Ready Graduate,” 2023).

2. Have you studied away/ abroad (in travel courses or for longer immersion experiences)? If so, where did you go? How valuable was this experience? Explain.
3. Have you engaged in an internship or other experiential work-preparation experience, including volunteering? If so, what did you do? How valuable was this experience? Explain.
4. Have you discussed your future ideas and plans with your advisor and history professors? If so, how valuable are these conversations?

5. Has your history major prepared you to explore various kinds of occupations?

If so, describe them..

6. Do you have specific career plans? Elaborate.

7. Have you applied for employment? _____ If so, explain, and indicate where you have submitted applications.

8. Have you received an offer of employment? _____ If so, explain, and indicate your potential employer.

9. Have you applied to graduate school? _____ If so, indicate where you have applied, and in what discipline(s).

10. Have you been accepted to graduate school? _____ If so, indicate where you were accepted, and in what discipline(s).

About the History major

1. What do you see as the strengths of your major?
2. What do you see as the weaknesses of your major?
3. What might be done to improve your major?
4. What other comments would you like to offer about any other aspect of your major?

Contact Information

We believe that it is important for us to remain in contact with our alumni. Therefore, we ask that you please take the time to provide us with information about how we will most likely be able to contact you in the future.

Please remove this page from the survey and submit the documents separately, to ensure the surveys remain anonymous.

Name _____

Address _____

Email _____

Cell phone # _____

Thank you very much for your thoughtful consideration.