



Twin Cities Campus

Heritage Studies and Public History Minor

School of Architecture

College of Design

Link to a [list of faculty](#) for this program.

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- Program Type: Graduate minor related to major
- Requirements for this program are current for Fall 2017
- Length of program in credits (Masters): 9
- Length of program in credits (Doctorate): 12
- This program does not require summer semesters for timely completion.

Along with the program-specific requirements listed below, please read the [General Information](#) section of the catalog website for requirements that apply to all major fields.

Heritage Studies and Public History (HSPH) are the publicly engaged and community-accountable practices of historical scholarship, whether based in archival research, archaeology, material culture studies, architecture, preservation, or landscape studies. Although such a commitment to public interpretation, education, and preservation is part of all these disciplines, it is of tremendous benefit to heritage professionals to understand the connections and common issues in all of these perspectives, because the heritage field is increasingly characterized by such interdisciplinary integration. The masters level minor is intended for students who are in programs preparing them for work in the heritage field, such as anthropology, art history, architecture/historic preservation, urban and regional planning, history, American studies, and other allied fields. The doctoral minor is intended for students who plan to work in heritage/public history positions outside of academia, or to be academic scholars whose work includes community-engaged research. The HSPH program and grad minor take advantage of the deep scholarly expertise in these fields at the University of Minnesota, as well as the Minnesota Historical Society's extensive resources and expertise, to offer unparalleled training in the theory and methods of heritage and public history studies at the graduate level.

Program Delivery

This program is available:

- via classroom (the majority of instruction is face-to-face)

Prerequisites for Admission

For an online application or for more information about graduate education admissions, see the [General Information](#) section of the catalog website.

Program Requirements

Use of 4xxx courses towards program requirements is not permitted.

Core Coursework

All students pursuing the heritage studies and public history minor must complete the following core courses for a total of six credits.

[HSPH 8001](#) - Who Owns the Past? Common Concerns and Big Questions in Heritage and Public History (3.0 cr)

[HSPH 8003](#) - Race and Indigeneity in Heritage Representation (3.0 cr)

Program Sub-plans

Students are required to complete one of the following sub-plans.

Students may not complete the program with more than one sub-plan.



Masters

Take additional HSPH-affiliated coursework, in consultation with the HSPH director of graduate studies, to complete the 9-credit minimum for the master's-level minor. Coursework must be from a discipline other than the major field.

Doctoral

Take additional HSPH-affiliated coursework, in consultation with the HSPH director of graduate studies, to complete the 12-credit minimum for the doctoral-level minor. Coursework must be from a discipline other than the major field.