

Master of Science in Historic Preservation

Two Year Program



THE PROGRAM

Roger Williams University is pleased to offer a Master of Science in Historic Preservation, building on its three-decades-old undergraduate program. A two-year 52-credit program is available to students holding a bachelor's degree. A one-year 32-credit program, described here, is available to students holding a bachelor's degree in historic preservation.

The goal of the program is to provide an education in historic preservation that empowers

through multi-disciplinary approach with a rigorous core of field-based professional offerings.

Students gain an understanding of the preservation field through coursework in preservation history and philosophy, documentation and research, community planning, law and regulation, design and economics, and get hands-on experience through field-based workshops and an internship – all in partnership with regional, national and international organizations and firms.



ALUMNI EMPLOYMENT

The list below is a sample of organizations where alumni holding a B.S. degree have been employed.

Government agencies

- Edificios y Monumentos Nacionais
- General Services Administration
- National Park Service
- State Historic Preservation Offices

Non-profit organizations

- Indiana Landmarks
- National Trust for Historic Preservation, New York Landmarks Conservancy
- US/International Council on Monuments and Sites

Historic sites

- Fairmount Park
- Preservation Society of Newport County
- Mystic Seaport
- Slater Mill Historic Site

Private practice

- Capital Properties
- Goody-Clancy Architects
- Jan Hird Pokorny Associates
- Shawmut Design and Construction

THE CURRICULUM

Requirements: 52 credits
(46, minimum, at the graduate level)

CORE COURSES

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| HP | 501 | Fundamentals of Historic Preservation |
| HP | 524L | Archival Research |
| HP | 525 | Preservation Economics |
| HP | 542 | Preservation Professional Practices |
| HP | 526 | Preservation Law and Regulation |
| HP | 551 | History and Philosophy of Historic Preservation |
| HP | 569 | Preservation Internship |
| HP | 582L | Architectural Conservation |
| HP | 631 | Graduate Thesis Seminar in Historic Preservation |
| HP | 651 | Preservation Graduate Thesis |

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| HP | 681L | Historic Rehabilitation Workshop |
| HP | 682L | Preservation Planning Workshop |

HISTORIC PRESERVATION ELECTIVES

Graduate-level electives are available in the fields of historic preservation, architecture, art and architectural history, leadership, and public administration. In addition to the fields listed above, undergraduate electives are also available in anthropology, computer information systems, economics, management, paralegal studies, psychology, sociology and sustainability.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The two-year M.S. will begin fall 2011.

Applications are accepted on a **rolling basis for the fall term**. Applicants must have earned a bachelor's degree from an accredited four-year institution of higher learning. Applicants must have a cumulative undergraduate GPA of 2.67.

For additional information or to download an application please visit <http://www.rwu.edu/admission/grad/historicpreservation>

FINANCIAL AID/SCHOLARSHIPS

Students matriculated in the degree program and taking a minimum of two courses or six credits a semester are eligible for federal financial aid. Students enrolled in one course or three credits, may qualify for private loans. Students should complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), which is available from the Graduate Admissions Office or <http://www.fafsaed.gov>