

# History

History encompasses all aspects of past human endeavor; it encourages students to think broadly and to attempt to integrate all of their knowledge into a meaningful whole. From history a person develops a better understanding of current events and a better appreciation of art, architecture, ideas, politics, and fellow human beings and their activities. It also provides a guide for the future. The study of history is important for journalists, teachers, business people, theologians, politicians, scientists, lawyers, librarians, archivists, museologists, and those in many other professions. Students planning any career could benefit from majoring or minoring in history or from choosing history courses for electives. History is an interest students may retain for life.

## Enhance your marketable skills through:

- Minor(s) and Undergraduate Academic Certificates
- Internship(s)
- Volunteerism
- Study Abroad experiences
- Undergraduate Research
- Leadership roles
- Student Organizations

## Career Opportunities:

- Teaching
- Museums
- Curator
- Archivist
- Historical Societies
- Libraries
- Teacher
- Professor
- Non-Profit Organizations
- Politics
- Local, State or Federal Government
- Law
- Marketing & Advertising
- Public Relations
- Business
- Media

## Student Organization:

- Phi Alpha Theta (History Honors Society)
- Professional Development Organization for Promising Historians
- Classics Collegium
- Art History Society
- Quiz Bowl Club
- Talon Teach

## Professional Organization:

- American Historical Association
- National Council on Public History
- American Association for State and Local History
- The Society of American Archivists
- The American Association of Museums

## Complementary Minors/ Undergraduate Academic Certificates

- Anthropology minor
- English minor
- Political Science minor
- Leadership of Community and Non-Profit Organizations minor
- Information Studies minor
- Legal Studies certificate
- African American Studies minor
- Asian Studies minor
- Classical Studies minor
- Jewish Studies minor
- Mexican American Studies minor

### Department Highlights:

- Kingsbury-Thomason Departmental Library
- Military History Center
- Military History of the West
- History Help Center

### Fun Facts:

- Department members have hobbies that include marathon running, photography, stained glass, wine making, hiking, baking, and sampling barbecue.
- They collectively speak over 10 different languages, which is useful when we research and present papers at locations all over the world.
- Two professors have been in rock bands!

### Faculty Expertise:



#### Dr. Geoffrey Wawro

Dr. Geoffrey D. W. Wawro is Director of the Military History Center at UNT. He received his undergraduate degree in History from Brown University, his Master's in European History and Philosophy from Yale University, and his Ph.D. in Modern European History from Yale University. He has written five books, and is in progress with his sixth book titled *The Silent Slain: The Forgotten American Soldiers Who Defeated German in World War I*. He has written over 60 scholarly and policy articles, and chapters. Since he began his career, he has received over 30 prizes, awards, grants and fellowships for his work. He once worked as a Credit Analyst at World Banking Group, and starred as a History Channel anchor from 2000-2009.



#### Dr. Jennifer Wallach

Dr. Jennifer Jensen Wallach is an associate professor of history who teaches courses about African American history and food history. She is the author or editor of eight books including *Closer to the Truth than Any Fact: Memoir, Memory, and Jim Crow* and *Dethroning the Deceitful Pork Chop: Rethinking African American Foodways from Slavery to Obama*. She also coedits the University of Arkansas Press book series Food and Foodways and is an editor for the journal *History Compass*.



#### Dr. Kathryne Beebe

Dr. Kathryne Beebe is an historian of late-medieval pilgrimage and religious culture, as well as a specialist in the Digital Humanities. Before joining UNT, she taught at the University of Texas at Arlington, Southeast Missouri State, and the University of Oxford, where she held fellowships at St. Hilda's College and Balliol College. Her first book, *Pilgrim & Preacher: the Audiences and Observant Spirituality of Friar Felix Fabri (1437/8-1502)*, was published by Oxford University Press in 2014. Her second monograph will focus on virtual pilgrimage (for travelers who journeyed only in the imagination) and Observant religious reform in medieval Europe. She is also directing or engaged with several Digital Humanities projects, including *The Digital Observance Network*.