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HISTORY- Career Resource Guide

Potential Career Options

Below is a sample of related career options; for some, additional experience and/or further education may be helpful or required.

Archival Science	With a graduate degree, assess, collect, organize, preserve, oversee, and provide access to records.
Education	With certification, teach history classes in a classroom setting.
Foreign Studies	Research and study foreign cultures, languages and customs.
Government Personnel	Provide service to a government entity as staff or to a politician through committees and administrative duties.
Journalism	Collect, write and distribute news related to historical information and discoveries.
Law Enforcement	Work in law enforcement as police officers, parole officers, or in prisoner rehabilitation.
Politics	Work with government, social issues, taxes, and fundraising.
Public History	Work at historical museums or government sites to provide tours or information about the location.
Research	Perform as principal investigator to establish facts to create explanations or offer consultation services.

Sample Job Titles

Archivist
Campaign Worker
Congressional Staffer
Editor
Information Manager
Lawyer
Librarian
Paralegal
Police Officer
Politician
Records Manager
Researcher
Teacher
Writer

Career Information Resources

Vault is a comprehensive career resource that includes industry and profession overviews; rankings and profiles for employers and internship programs; a job and internship database; career articles, blogs and videos; sample resumes, cover letters and interview questions; and over 100 career guides. A selection of the Vault Guides is listed below.

Career Launcher:
Education
Law
Law Enforcement & Public Safety
Nonprofit Organizations

Vault Career Guide to…
Education
Nonprofit Careers

Vault Guide to…
Child Care Jobs
Education Jobs
Government Agency Careers
Government Jobs
Law Jobs
Library Careers
Museum and Cultural Center Jobs
Nonprofit Jobs
Politics, Public Policy & Activism
Social Sciences Jobs
Social Services Jobs

Note: Refer to the CPDC website for a link to Vault as well as the CPDC Tip Sheets and Handshake job postings.

Associations/Societies

American Alliance of Museums *	www.aam-us.org
American Association for State and Local History *	www.aaslh.org
American Historical Association **	www.historians.org
American Library Association *	www.ala.org
American Political Science Association **	www.apsanet.org
National Council on Public History *	www.ncph.org
National Education Association	www.nea.org
Organization of American Historians *	www.oah.org
Pennsylvania State Education Association *	www.psea.org
Society for Historians and American Foreign Relations **	www.shafr.org
Society for History in the Federal Government *	www.shfg.org
Society of American Archivists *	www.archivists.org

* Contains employment listings
** Contains employment listings for members

Career & Employment Websites

Bureau of State Employment (PA)	www.employment.pa.gov
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania	www.pa.gov
Environmental Careers Organization	www.eco.org
Idealist.org- Action Without Borders	www.idealist.org
Journalism Jobs	www.journalismjobs.com
Journalism.org	www.journalism.org
Museum Employment Resource Center	http://museum-employment.com
Museum Jobs	https://museum.jobs
National Association of Independent Schools	www.nais.org/careers
National Trust for Historic Preservation	www.savingplaces.org
Nonprofit Career Network	www.nonprofitcareer.com
Occupational Outlook Handbook (OOH) – Search specific job titles	https://www.bls.gov/ooh
PA-Educator.net	www.paeducator.net
Pennsylvania Commonwealth Workforce Development System	www.dli.pa.gov
USAJOBS – U.S. Office of Personnel Management (federal)	www.usajobs.gov

Note: A helpful list of general job search websites is available on the Internet Tip Sheet at *www.rmu.edu/cpdc.*

Selected RMU Activities & Organizations

- Big Brothers/Big Sisters
- Bridging Education, Service, and Teaching Club
- Carpe Mundum (international organization)
- College Democrats
- College Republicans
- Colonial Advocates for Childhood Homelessness and Education
- Community Advisors
- First Year Student Mentors
- History Club
- Interfraternity Council (fraternities)
- PA State Education Association – Student Chapter
- Panhellenic Council (sororities)
- Philosophy Club
- Pre-Law Society
- Psychology Club
- Residence Hall Association
- RMU Radio
- RMU Sentry Media
- RMU-TV
- S.A.F.E. – Student Alliance for Equality
- Student Government Association
- Student Program Board
- Students for Life
- The Patriot (yearbook)
- University Pals

Sample of Pittsburgh-Area Museums

- American Jewish Museum
- August Wilson Center for African American Culture
- Bayernhof Music Museum
- Bicycle Heaven
- Bushy Run Battlefield
- Carnegie Museum of Art
- Carnegie Museum of Natural History
- Carnegie Science Center
- Center for PostNatural History
- Children's Museum of Pittsburgh
- Fallingwater
- Fort Ligonier
- Fort Necessity National Battlefield
- Fort Pitt Museum
- Frank Lloyd Wright's House on Kentuck Knob
- Frick Art & Historic Center
- Friendship Hill National Historical Site
- Mattress Factory
- Meadowcroft Rockshelter and Historic Village
- National Aviary
- Old Economy Village
- Pennsylvania Trolley Museum
- Photo Antiquities Museum of Photographic History
- Pittsburgh Center for the Arts
- Senator John Heinz History Center
- Society for Contemporary Craft
- Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hall
- The Andy Warhol Museum
- The Clemente Museum
- The Harmony Museum
- ToonSeum
- University of Pittsburgh Nationality Rooms
- Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum
- Westmoreland Museum of American Art