

What Can I Do with a Major in History?

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Did you know...

Most people spend more time deciding which car to buy than choosing a career.

Why?

Career decision making is hard work!



Career Decision Making Difficulties

- ❑ Lack of information about career decision making process
- ❑ Lack of information about 'self'
- ❑ Lack of information about occupations
- ❑ Lack of information about ways to obtain career related information



Making the Connection

Those who discover what he/she really wants, is good at, and figures out how to balance this with the needs of the labour market will have more success finding relevant and fulfilling work.



Making those Connections

- Many of the skills employer are seeking are skills you have been developing in various aspects of your life.
- These **transferable skills** are skills you have acquired during the variety of experiences you have had throughout your life.



Examples of Transferable Skills

- **Communication Skills**
- Organizational Skills
- Problem Solving Skills
- Team Work Skills
- Research Skills
- Analytical Skills
- Writing Skills
- Specific Knowledge Skills
- Creative Skills
- Critical Thinking Skills
- Information Gathering Skills



Top 10 Skills Canadian Employers are looking for...

1. Communication skills
2. Honesty and integrity
3. Team work skills
4. Interpersonal skills
5. Strong work ethic
6. Motivation and initiative



Top 10 Skills Canadian Employers are looking for...

7. Flexibility and adaptability
8. Analytical skills
9. Computer skills
10. Organizational skills

National Association of Colleges and Employers



What Can I Do with a Bachelor of Arts, history major?



Remember...

Employers hire people, not degrees.

The skills and knowledge that you have developed through your education, as well as, work and community experiences, have the greatest impact on hiring decisions.



What Can I Do With My Degree?

- First let me ask, what do you want to do with your degree?
- <http://www.upei.ca/studentservices/career/choose-a-major>
- <http://www.lauriercc.ca/career/students/planning/major.htm>
- <http://www.carleton.ca/cdce/career/degree/>



Career Related Web Sites

- <http://www5.hrsdc.gc.ca/NOC/>
- <http://www.statcan.gc.ca/>
- <http://www.jobfutures.ca/>



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