

## Department of HISTORY

# Policy on M.A. in History for Tulane University Employees

Tulane University Employees who have earned a bachelor's degree may enroll in graduate level history classes using their tuition waivers. The Graduate Studies Committee (GSC) recommends taking one course a semester. Taking classes does not, however, entitle an employee to earn the M.A. in History; to do so, the student must petition the GSC per the policy, below.

To petition the GSC committee for admission to the M.A. History program Tulane University employees must first:

- 1. Take three graduate seminars at the 6000 or 7000 level from tenured or tenure-track faculty.
- 2. Maintain a GPA of 3.33.
- 3. Provide one letter of recommendation from a faculty member who will serve as adviser and supervise the exit examination.
- 4. Submit the Tulane Employee M.A. Program Application, Statement of Purpose, transcript, and letter of support from a tenured or tenure-track faculty member in History.

After admission to the terminal M.A. Program, the student must:

- 1. Take seven of the ten classes from tenure or tenure-track employees
- 2. The courses taken must follow a coherent program of study of 30 hours of credit in two fields of history, usually 18 and 12 hours, respectively.
- 3. Must conform to the language requirements of the History graduate program (see website).

Employees will normally earn a terminal M.A. degree only, non thesis option. Students wishing to write a thesis must explain why in their Statement of Purpose and their letter of support from a tenured or tenure-track faculty member in History must indicate the faculty member's willingness to supervise the thesis.

Acceptance into the M.A. program does not indicate automatic acceptance or promotion to the Ph.D. program.

Prior to admission to the terminal M.A. program, the Director of Graduate Studies (DGS) will serve as the student's adviser. Tulane University employees interested in this option should contact the DGS as early as possible to discuss it.

DEADLINE: Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.

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