Historians

SOC: 19-3093 • Career Profile Report

■ Key Facts

\$74,050Median Salary

3,400 Employment

+2.0%Growth Rate

■ Requirements & Salary Range

Education: Master's degree

■ Automation Risk Assessment

Low Risk - 8.0% probability of being automated in the next 10-20 years.

This job is relatively safe from automation due to its creative, social, or complex problem-solving requirements.

■■ Work-Life Balance

7.5/10 - Good work-life balance

■ Personality Fit (RIASEC)

Higher scores indicate better personality fit for this career type.

Realistic	6.2/10	Investigative	9.4/10	
Artistic	5.6/10	Social	6.4/10	
Enterprising	4.8/10	Conventional	6.4/10	

■ Top Skills Required

Analytical skills, Communication skills, Foreign language skills, Problem-solving skills, Research skills

√ Strengths

- High Demand
- Flexible Work
- Continuous Learning

■ Challenges

- Burnout Risk
- Rapid Technological Change

■ What They Do

Historians typically perform the following tasks: • Gather historical data from sources such as archives, court records, diaries, news files, and photographs, as well as from books, pamphlets, and periodicals. • Organize data, and analyze and interpret its authenticity and relative significance. • Prepare publications and exhibits, or review those prepared by others, to ensure their historical accuracy. • Organize information for publication and for other means of dissemination, such as via storage media or the Internet. • Conduct historical research as a basis for the identification, conservation, and reconstruction of historic places and materials. • Conserve and preserve manuscripts, records, and other artifacts. • Present historical accounts in terms of individuals or social, ethnic, political, economic, or geographic groupings. • Research the history of a particular country or region, or of a specific time period. • Conduct historical research, and publish or present findings and theories. • Determine which topics to research, or pursue research topics specified by clients or employers. • Recommend actions related to historical art, such as which items to add to a collection or which items to display in an exhibit. • Research and prepare manuscripts in support of public programming and the development of exhibits at historic sites, museums, libraries, and archives. • Speak to various groups, organizations, and clubs to promote the aims and activities of historical societies. • Advise or consult with individuals and institutions regarding issues such as the historical authenticity of materials or the customs of a specific historical period. • Interview people to gather information about historical events and to record oral histories. • Trace historical development in a particular field, such as social, cultural, political, or diplomatic history. • Coordinate activities of workers engaged in cataloging and filing materials. • Collect detailed information on individuals for use in biographies. • Teach and conduct research in colleges, universities, museums, and other research agencies and schools. • Edit historical society publications.

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