Master of Arts (MA) in History

Degree Program
The department offers students two ways of completing the degree: one path of study emphasizes depth of knowledge and research competence acquired through writing a substantial master’s thesis; the second emphasizes breadth of historical knowledge acquired through graduate course work and the writing of research papers. The department offers study in European history, United States history, Latin American history, African history, and African American history.

Thesis option: 32 credit hours of which 26 are core courses.

Research paper option: 36 credit hours of which 26 are core courses.

Program website
http://www.umsl.edu/~umslhistory/Graduate%20Programs/index.html

Entrance Requirements
1. Application
   http://www.umsl.edu/gradschool/prospective/apply-now.html

2. Writing Sample

3. Official transcripts from all universities attended
   Successful applicants must have completed a baccalaureate degree before beginning the master’s program.

4. Grade Point Average
   Minimum of 3.2 on 4.0 scale.

4. Entrance examinations
   a. There are no entrance exams for domestic students.
   b. International students are required to document English proficiency by providing scores from an internationally accepted standardized examination before a decision is made on admission.

5. Letters of recommendation
   Three letters of recommendation.

6. Statement of Purpose

Application Deadlines
Fall – March 15
Spring – October 15

Application Fee
$50 for domestic applicants; $40 for international applicants

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