ACADEMIC INTEREST INFORMATION

OKLAHOMA

HISTORY OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND MEDICINE

DESCRIPTION

Stand on the shoulders of giants!
Become a part of the new undergraduate major in one of the oldest history of science programs in the country. You will join a vibrant community of students, faculty, and visiting scholars who enjoy unique access to the world-class resources of the History of Science Collections. Through a diverse and exciting range of courses you will gain insight into the past, present, and future of science, technology, and medicine and acquire a perspective on science and society that can be applied to many of the challenges facing our contemporary world.

A degree in the History of Science, Technology and Medicine offers an exciting intellectual experience that will enhance your opportunities to succeed in your chosen career path. Graduates can apply their education and training in a wide variety of professions. From public policy to journalism, from data analysis to healthcare and education, historians of science are involved in shaping many aspects of policy, education, and public debate about the place of science and technology in our common future.

DEGREE OPTIONS

Students can earn the Bachelor of Arts, Master of Arts, and Doctor of Philosophy degrees in the History of Science, Technology and Medicine. An undergraduate minor is also available, and can be valuable in helping you place your major interests in social, cultural, and historical context.

WORLD CLASS RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

The History of Science Collections, located on the 5th floor of Bizzell Memorial Library, is one of the premier research collections of its kind in the world, holding almost 100,000 volumes from every field and subject area of science, technology, and medicine ranging chronologically from 1467 to the present.

The Collections have provided an invaluable resource for teaching and research to generations of scholars, faculty and students who have taught and studied in the department. Currently, the History of Science Department is the home site for the Editor of the Technology and Culture (the flagship journal of the Society for the History of Technology), and the Bibliographer of Isis (the flagship journal of the History of Science Society).

INTERESTS AND SKILLS

Our program emphasizes essential skills: the ability to write well, to persuasively convey your ideas to others, and to assess and integrate new knowledge. These are crucial practical skills that you will use every day in whatever career you choose. A degree in history of science also provides an excellent foundation for graduate work in many fields, including education, history, law, and medicine.

TYPES OF EMPLOYERS

Educational institutions
Foundations
Government and State agencies
Historical societies
Legal offices
Medical facilities
Non-profit organizations
Publishers

JOBS OF OU GRADUATES

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Criminologist
Curator
Editor
Environmental Advocate
FBI/CIA Agent
Foundation Worker
Healthcare professional
Historian
Journalist
Lawyer
Librarian
Lobbyist
Public Policy Analyst
Publisher
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