



## **MASTER OF ARTS IN SOCIAL SCIENCES**

### **History Concentration**

The Master of Arts in Social Sciences is an interdisciplinary degree encompassing the areas of history, political science and sociology, with a concentration in one of the three areas. The history concentration is designed to meet the needs of rural and metropolitan area teachers, junior and middle level social service personnel and administrators, and beginning graduate students who plan to pursue doctoral studies in one of the disciplines. Prospective students searching for a Master's in Social Science often look to expand their understanding of the world. A concentration in history provides each student with a deeper connection of the people, events, situations and circumstances that shaped the world. Thesis and non-thesis options are offered.

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Those who graduate with a master's degree (history concentration) find themselves with jobs in various areas. Some graduates prefer to work in education, passing down the knowledge of the past to a new generation. Others may look forward to working in some capacity with government agencies, in museums, libraries, or archives management. Many students will excel in other fields, such as journalism, communications, theology, or law.

#### **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

- ✓ Admission to the Graduate School at Southern University with a minimum 2.7 G.P.A.
- ✓ Completion of a minimum of fifteen (15) hours of undergraduate courses in history
- ✓ Course deficiencies must be eliminated by completing the necessary undergraduate courses

#### **DEGREE REQUIREMENTS**

**Thesis option-** consists of thirty (30) hours- fifteen (15) hours of history courses (500 level) selected in consultation with the graduate advisor, including a research course in the area of concentration, and six (6) hours in each of the two related fields. All students must pass an oral examination on the thesis. **Non-thesis option-** consists of thirty-six (36) credit hours of graduate level courses (500 Level). Students must also pass a six (6) hour written comprehensive examination.

#### **GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIPS**

The graduate school offers assistantships for eligible students who show outstanding potential. These working assistantships are competitively awarded typically for an academic year and are based on availability of funds.

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#### **THE GRADUATE SCHOOL**

For more detailed information, please refer to the Southern University Graduate School website:

<http://www.subr.edu/page/1567>