

HISTORIC PRESERVATION AND AMERICAN STUDIES (HPAM)

Graduate Degree Program

College: Architecture / Arts and Humanities

ABSTRACT

The Historic Preservation (HISP) and American Studies (AMST) Dual Master's Degree program offers individuals with interests in both fields a framework to complete combined professional and research master's degrees in as few as five semesters. Students in this degree track learn the theories, practices, and skills associated with Historic Preservation's emphasis on material culture represented by landscapes and monuments, as well as architecture in both its high styles and vernacular forms and American Studies' dual emphases on diversity, culture and identity and the cultures of everyday life. Together, but from different perspectives, these fields center community, social justice, diversity and inclusion, interdisciplinary collaboration, innovation and practice. Students in both fields will learn from seminars, readings courses, and community-engaged coursework that cultivates a broad interdisciplinary skill set. The combination of these programs enables the student to cultivate synergies between practice and theory through internships, studios, scholarly papers, and public presentations.

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ADMISSIONS

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- Statement of Purpose: Statement of Purpose – In addition to the stated requirements, students should discuss specific interest in pursuing a concurrent dual degree within two programs.
- Transcript(s)
- TOEFL/IELTS/PTE (international graduate students (<https://gradschool.umd.edu/admissions/english-language-proficiency-requirements/>))

PROGRAM-SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

- Letters of Recommendation (3)
- CV/Resume
- Skills Assessment (in the online application): This assessment is not used in determining your admission to the program. Self assessments are used for placing students into the proper sequence of courses once admitted.
- Writing Sample: A writing sample of at least 10-30 pages. This can be previous individual academic or professional work. It does not necessarily have to be related to historic preservation or real estate, however a related topic is preferred. The writing sample should demonstrate the ability to analyze a problem/question and clearly communicate your findings. Upload to the Writing Sample of the Uploads Requirements section of the online application.
- Portfolio PDF Upload (optional)
- Description of Research/Work Experience (optional)
- Must be admitted by both programs to pursue dual degree.

All applicants must have a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution. There is no restriction on the applicants' previous field of study, and indeed we encourage diversity in all senses.

For more admissions information or to apply to the program, please visit our Graduate School website: www.gradschool.umd.edu/admissions (<https://gradschool.umd.edu/admissions/>)

APPLICATION DEADLINES

Type of Applicant	Fall Deadline
Domestic Applicants	
US Citizens and Permanent Residents	January 12, 2024
International Applicants	
F (student) or J (exchange visitor) visas; A, E, G, H, I and L visas and immigrants	N/A

Other Deadlines: Please visit the program website at <http://www.arch.umd.edu>

REQUIREMENTS

- Historic Preservation and American Studies, Master of Historic Preservation and Master of Arts (dual degree) (M.H.P. and M.A.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/historic-preservation-american-studies-hpam/historic-preservation-american-studies-mhp-ma/>)