

Public Humanities Certificate

The Public Humanities is a growing field that aims to make academic programs more public-facing, and thereby more responsive to community need, giving students the necessary skills to address complex public challenges in diverse professional settings. Public Humanities degree and certificate programs expose students to interdisciplinary coursework that emphasizes the use of humanities-based skillsets toward matters of public utility. By providing coursework that emphasizes professional writing, public administration, community planning, and grant writing, a Public Humanities Graduate Certificate can help Idaho State University graduate students further their professional goals by preparing them for a wide range of career options that put humanities knowledge to practical use.

Certificate students will take four 3-credit courses from the list of options below, tailoring the program to suit their professional goals:

Code	Title	Credits
ANTH 5510	Cultural Resources Management	3
CMP 5518	Feature Writing	3
ENGL 5502	User Experience Design and Usability	3
ENGL 5509	Literary Magazine Production	3
HIST 6623	Global Idaho	3
PHIL 5550	Ethical Theory	3
POLS 5505	Introduction to Public Administration	3
POLS 5509	Community and Regional Planning	3
POLS 5557	Grantwriting	3
SOWK 5571	Social Justice, Advocacy, and Policy Practice	3

Student Learning Outcomes:

Upon completing the Graduate Certificate in Public Humanities, students will be able to:

1. Identify complex public problems relevant to a variety of fields, disciplines, and professional contexts;
2. Evaluate and apply various methods in the humanities to address public problems and challenges;
3. Effectively communicate orally and in writing with a variety of stakeholders; and
4. Demonstrate ethical behavior in research, writing, and speaking.

Admissions Requirements:

- Admission to this program will be based on Idaho State University's general "Admissions Requirements for Other Programs (e.g., Master's degrees)," and therefore requires no changes to admission requirements. For reference, those requirements are:
- A baccalaureate degree or higher from a college or university regionally accredited in the United States or its equivalent from a school in another country. If admitted, applicants will be required to submit official transcripts before attending/registering for classes.
- An overall undergraduate GPA of 3.0 or higher, out of a 4.0 scale OR a GPA of 3.0 using the most recent degree-seeking GPA OR a GPA of 3.0 as calculated using the grades from the most recent 60 credits of accredited college coursework. Those who do not meet GPA requirements may be admitted with a performance requirement.
- Recommendation for admission by the department, division, or college offering the desired degree program after faculty review of application

materials required by each program. The materials required for this program will be as follows, in addition to the requirements outlined above:

- The ISU Graduate School Application Form;
- All official transcripts from institutions of higher education the applicant has attended;
- A 500-word statement of purpose
- 3 letters of recommendation.
- Approval for admission by the Dean of the Graduate School.