

History

About the Program

The History program prepares nationally qualified graduates equipped, scientifically and methodologically, with the research, analytical, and digital knowledge and skills needed to study civilizations and societies across the ages and to understand the political, social, economic, and cultural developments that have shaped the course of nations, with particular emphasis on national, Islamic, and Arab history. The program adopts an integrated academic approach that combines theoretical grounding with the critical, analytical method for examining historical sources and documents, in keeping with contemporary trends in the discipline of history, digital transformation in the humanities, and the requirements of local and international labor markets.

The program focuses on developing students' capabilities in ancient, medieval, modern, and contemporary history; the history of Islamic and Arab civilization; regional and local history, including the history of the Arabian Peninsula and the Gulf; historical research methods and the critical editing of texts and documents; and archaeology and heritage. It also strengthens critical thinking, analytical, communication, and scientific research skills, and the use of modern technologies and artificial intelligence in digital archiving and the analysis of historical sources, thereby contributing to the achievement of Saudi Vision 2030 objectives and enhancing national identity and civilizational awareness.

Vision

Excellence in education and scientific research in the field of History, and the preparation of qualified graduates who contribute to preserving national and civilizational memory and enhancing the Kingdom's scholarly and cultural standing.

Mission

To provide distinguished university education and scientific research in the field of History through modern academic programs that prepare graduates equipped with research, analytical, and digital knowledge and skills, as well as ethical values, and who are capable of keeping pace with scientific and technological developments, meeting labor market needs, and contributing to the achievement of Saudi Vision 2030 objectives.

Objectives

1. Preparing qualified graduates to work in education, scientific research, and archival, museum, and heritage fields.
2. Developing research, analytical, and digital knowledge and skills in line with the latest global approaches in the discipline of history.
3. Strengthening historical-criticism skills and the analysis and verification of sources and documents.
4. Supporting scientific research and knowledge production in the fields of history, civilization, and heritage.
5. Formalizing partnerships with government and cultural entities, such as bodies concerned with heritage, antiquities, and museums, to develop training and employment opportunities.
6. Developing students' critical thinking, communication, teamwork, and independent-research skills.
7. Employing modern technologies, artificial intelligence, and digital transformation in archiving, historical analysis, and education.
8. Strengthening national identity and historical and civilizational awareness, and preserving cultural heritage and the Kingdom's civilizational assets.

Contributing to community service and supporting sustainable cultural and intellectual development in alignment with