

# CAREER PATHS FOR HUMANISTS

## HUMANITIES PHD CAREER FAMILIES

Academic and Library Administration  
Academic Careers that Combine Teaching and Research  
Academic Careers that are Teaching-Intensive  
Arts and Museum Administration  
Communications, Marketing, and Public Relations  
Consulting  
Development, Grant Writing, and Fundraising  
Government and Diplomacy  
Education and Training in Industry or Nonprofits  
Entrepreneurship  
Human Services  
K-12 Education  
Management in Industry or Nonprofits  
Research and Analysis  
Technology  
Writing, Editing, Translating, and Publishing

University of Chicago humanities, divinity, and history alumni pursue a wide variety of careers in academia, industry, nonprofits, and government. The alumni listed below received their PhDs in or after 1980.

### **Department of Art History**

- Assistant Curator of Photography at a major art museum in Illinois
- Associate Curator of European Art at a major art museum in Michigan
- Curator at museum in NYC focused on cross-cultural connections with India
- Curator of Academic Programs at major university art museum in Illinois
- Curator of Global Contemporary and Asian Art at a university museum in Kansas
- Curator of Latino Art at a major art museum in Washington, D.C.
- Curator of Modern Art, major art museum in Illinois
- Curator of Visual Arts at a nonprofit center for the arts in Idaho
- Department Head and Curator of photography in a county art museum in California
- Director of museum in California featuring art of Asia and Pacific islands
- Editor in Chief for a major city art museum in Illinois
- Editorial Consultant for monthly magazines that showcase art exhibits and events



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## **Department of Art History, Ctd.**

- Manager of Special Events at a major university school of medicine in Illinois
- President of petroleum products firm based in Chicago

## **Department of Classics**

- Bibliographer for Classics, Ancient Near East, and General Humanities at UChicago
- Dean and Latin Teacher at a Catholic college preparatory school in Illinois
- Director of NYC office at an IT and management consulting firm
- Director of Student Relations at a university law school in Indiana
- Research Analyst at a temporary staffing and recruitment firm
- Senior Pastor, major denomination
- Latin teacher at an independent K-12 college preparatory school in New York

## **Department of Comparative Literature**

- Book Reviewer, Author, Reporter at major American newspaper in NYC
- English Master at a co-ed, independent boarding school in New Jersey
- Founder and CEO of business transformation consulting company in Berlin
- Special Assistant a learned society of scholars and policy research centers
- Senior Industry Consultant, Cognitive Solutions for big data and analytics solutions
- Teacher in the Chicago Public Schools
- Teacher of History and Classics at an independent high school in Pennsylvania
- Vice President of External Relations, online travel agency

## **Divinity School**

- Director of Development and Alumni Relations at UChicago
- Program Administrator Center for Jewish Studies UChicago
- Sr. Manager at an engineering and information management consulting firm
- English Teacher at a private, co-ed Catholic college preparatory school in Texas

## **Department of East Asian Languages and Civilizations**

- Director, East Asian Library at an Ivy university in New Jersey
- Director of Institutional Giving at public university in NYC
- English Teacher at a college preparatory high school in the Boston Public Schools

## **English Language and Literature**

- Academic Advisor at a state university in North Carolina
- Administrative Director, Graduate Programs at a department at UChicago
- Associate VP Marketing and Communications at a state university in Connecticut
- Co-Chief Investment Officer for Real Estate and Development firm in Chicago
- Curator of American Literature and Drama at a university library
- Deputy Copy Chief at a major international publishing house
- Director of Academic Freedom at a nonprofit association of academic professionals
- Editorial Director at a large city art museum in Illinois



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## **Department of English Language and Literature, Ctd.**

- English Master at a co-ed, independent boarding school in New Jersey
- Founder and Principal of strategic marketing consulting firm
- Head of School Private, co-ed day and boarding school in Ohio
- Independent self-employed writer and editor
- Managing Editor at US congressional government office
- Managing Editor for a publication at UChicago Press
- Principal Business Architect at a global technology consulting firm
- Realtor and Design Professional
- Senior Lecturer, Expository Writing at a private research university in Maryland
- Senior Director, Foundation Relations at a major university in Illinois
- Senior Scholar and Director, nonprofit higher education association
- English Teacher at an independent, co-ed college preparatory school in New Jersey

## **Department of Germanic Studies**

- Country Director for the Peace Corps
- Curator of the Austria/Germany Center at a university museum and library in NYC

## **Department of History**

- Assistant Director of a pre-college preparation program in Illinois
- Director of Market Intelligence for a global business services firm
- Executive Director of nonprofit creating media programs that promote social change
- Consultant and Managing Director at capital campaign management firm
- Principal Leadership Consultant for global professional services firm in Utah
- Regional Sales Manager for a firm serving the HVAC industry
- Director of Financial Industry Advancement at a global consulting firm
- Editor of Series for philosophy, science and religion book publisher in Illinois

## **Department of Linguistics**

- Analyst of Mutual Funds for independent investment research firm
- Consultant at technology firm specializing in speech recognition
- Data Science Manager at a large insurance firm
- Director of nonprofit dedicated to documenting endangered languages
- Director of Translation Services for an intellectual property research firm
- Director and author at a nonprofit women's organization for a sustainable future
- President of investment management advisory and financial planning firm
- Principal in the child day care services industry
- Principal Research Scientist at a large, private, nonprofit testing service
- Senior Program Manager at a global technology company
- Science Teacher at an independent K-8 Catholic School in Ohio

## **Department of Music**

- Assistant Conductor of a major city opera company in Illinois



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## **Department of Music, Ctd.**

- Consultant at an executive search and leadership development firm
- Dean of Graduate Enrollment Services at a polytechnic institute in Massachusetts
- Director of Information Technology at a UChicago institute
- Director of Web Development at music publishing company
- Editor of a journal on wild mushrooming
- Executive Director and Music Specialist at a Montessori school in Michigan
- Managing Editor for a membership organization focused on healthcare financing
- Music Director at a nonprofit performing arts group
- Priest at a Catholic Church
- Section Cellist and Executive Director of festival of sacred music in Michigan
- Music Teacher at a private K-12 charter school in Oregon
- Music Teacher in the Saint Paul Public Schools

## **Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations**

- Account Manager at a news distribution network
- Advisor in the College at UChicago
- Archaeologist at a government authority regulating excavation and conservation
- Assistant Environmental Scientist at a science and engineering research lab in Illinois
- Bibliographer at UChicago Library
- CFO at an organization advancing archeological research, conservation, and training
- Co-Founder and Partner at language and translation services firm
- Deputy Director and Curator of museum dedicated to Semitic languages and culture
- Director of a research institute in Turkey
- Director of Professional Master's Program at a major technical institute in Illinois
- Head of Research Archives at the Oriental Institute
- Librarian for Asian Studies at private university in Utah
- Partner and Managing Director at a worldwide management consulting firm
- Realtor
- Research Associate and Co-editor on a Database Project at the Oriental Institute
- Research Associate Research Associate at the Oriental Institute
- Research Database Specialist at UChicago
- Senior Research Associate on a dictionary project at the Oriental Institute
- Sr. Systems Analyst for IT for state of Texas university system
- Supervisory Threat Analyst for US military special operations
- U.S. Director at an institute for Indian Studies headquartered at UChicago
- Writer/Editor at one of the institutes at the National Institutes of Health

## **Department of Philosophy**

- CEO of a wealth management firm in Illinois
- Fellow at a think tank advancing a culture of purpose, creativity, and innovation
- Senior Developer at a global business email security firm
- Web Developer, independent agency of the Federal government



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## **Department of Romance Languages and Literatures**

- Chair of World Languages at a private, independent K-12 college preparatory school
- Dissertation Specialist UChicago Library
- Outreach Coordinator at the University Center in Paris
- Teacher — English in the Chicago Public Schools
- Director of Marketing at a Catholic publisher and distributor
- Vice President and Co-Owner of firm providing international cooking vacations

## **Department of South Asian Languages and Civilizations**

- ESL Teacher in City Colleges of Chicago
- Librarian for East Asian collections at a private research university in New York
- Sr. Applications Systems Programmer/Analyst at UChicago
- Founder and CEO of an innovation consulting firm in India

## **Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures**

- Assistant Director at an institute for Liberal Arts at a university in Indiana
- Director of Financial Aid at a private independent school in Washington, DC
- Director of Global Education and Services at a technical college in Wisconsin
- Not known job title in government and diplomacy

