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## **NKU Announces Master of Arts in Public History to Begin in Spring 2010**

**HIGHLAND HEIGHTS, Ky.** – The Northern Kentucky University Board of Regents approved today a new master's program in public history.

The program, which will begin next January, will provide students with content, theory, method and practice learning in preparation for a non-academic humanities career. Individuals with a public history degree are employed in museums, libraries, archives, historic preservation, heritage tourism, cultural resource management, public policy and education.

Public history training broadens career opportunities for traditional and non-traditional students and offers new career opportunities to retirees and others seeking to change professional direction. The degree will provide history and other humanities students with a terminal professional degree. It will also offer an opportunity for students holding a master's degree in history or another humanities field to complete a graduate certificate in public history.

The program will require between 33 and 36 semester hours – 30 in history content and methodology courses and a six-hour sequence in one of four areas: world language, informatics, geographic information systems or non-profit management.

The university expects an enrollment of 17-20 students in the initial semester and an increase between 6-10 new students each year.

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