Harvard Extension School
HARVARD DIVISION OF CONTINUING EDUCATION

40
Average Age

Age Breakdown
<30 22%
31-40 25%
41+ 54%

ALM in History
☑ Capstone track
☑ Thesis track

115
Degree Candidates

While Earning the Degree
20% Live in MA
75% Live Outside MA
5% Live Outside the U.S.

REASONS FOR PURSUING THE DEGREE

PERSONAL ENRICHMENT 51%
CAREER CHANGE 22%
CAREER ADVANCEMENT 17%
PREP FOR GRAD SCHOOL 10%

Graduate Certificate:
American Literature and Culture

Data pertains to academic year 2020-21
75% of students are employed full-time while earning this degree

Average Years of Professional Experience in the Field: 18 years

5 years Average time to graduation

72% Graduation Rate

98% of recent graduates would recommend the program

Select Job Titles Held by Our Graduates

TEACHER
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
HEAD COUNSELOR
LIBRARY TECHNICIAN

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Alumni Comment Corner

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Fast Facts About History Certificate Earners

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Select Job Titles Held by Our Graduates
- Teacher
- Assistant Professor
- Head Counselor
- Library Technician
- Graduate Assistant

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- Prep for Grad School: 10%
- Career Advancement: 17%
- Personal Enrichment: 51%

Avg # of Courses Taken Per Semester
- 1 course: 63%
- 2 courses: 33%
- 3 courses: 3%
- 4 courses: 1%

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