What Can I Do with a Master of Library Science / Master of Arts in History and Philosophy of Science Dual Degree?

A dual degree in library science and the history and philosophy of science allows you to deepen your knowledge of scientific history while developing the technical and practical work skills to prepare you for a range of careers:

- Become a subject librarian in the history and philosophy of science and manage resources in an academic library while helping students with their research needs
- Maintain and preserve scientific documents of historical or cultural value in an archive or special collection
- Become a part of the digital humanities movement and create digital collections of historical scientific resources
- Curate exhibits in a museum that specializes in documenting the history and philosophy of science

Want to learn more about these different career opportunities? Explore the following resources:

Watch the Department of Information and Library Science YouTube video “Subject Librarian with Logo” to learn about the different responsibilities of an academic librarian, and read through the IU libraries History of Philosophy of Science subject guide to see some of the various resources academic librarians create and manage.

Explore this list of science digital libraries compiled by The National Science Digital Library and be sure to check out The Chymistry of Isaac Newton Digital Collection created by faculty here at Indiana University.
Read all about the National Museum of Natural History Library and the Smithsonian Dibner Library of History of Science and Technology, and browse through a list of U.S. and international history of science archives and libraries.

Learn more about the types of materials held in special collections by checking out the history of science special collections at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, the University of Oklahoma, and at Indiana University’s own Lilly Library.

Explore different museums that focus on the history and philosophy of science, including the American Museum of Natural History, the Fort Worth Museum of Science and History, and the Museum of Natural History and Science at Cincinnati, and browse through some of their current online exhibits.

Looking for more information on job and internship opportunities? Check out the links below:

- Digital Humanities Now
- ACRL Rare Books and Manuscripts Section
- ALA JobLIST
- Smithsonian Institution Internships
- American Museum of Natural History Internships
- Fort Worth Museum of Science and History Employment and Internships