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While there have recently been sustained efforts to bring history and management studies “(back) together”, including special issues of highly ranked journals, these two disciplines do not present a natural fit. They differ namely in their fundamental methodological approaches and in their views of “theorizing”. At the same time, there actually have been many, often hidden ways in which history and the past have played fundamental roles in a wide range of management research programs. This seminar will attempt to discuss what a successful interaction between history and management studies might look like — an interaction that acknowledges the differences but draws on the particular contribution that each of them can make to write better history and developed better theories.