

# HISTORY (B.A.)

The History program is designed to help students develop habits of learning and life skills as well as historical knowledge. It does this by promoting knowledge, critical thinking, reflectiveness, and creativity, along with research and communication skills. All majors are expected to acquire a good grasp of the “facts” of history, to develop historical-mindedness, and to learn how to carry on scholarly study.

Students who major in History/Social Science will be able to:

- Identify the major forces, events, and ideas that have shaped history.
- Develop “historical mindedness” by analyzing historical and contemporary events in terms of causation, change over time, contingency, and context.
- Understand and appreciate the world’s story through a global, multi-cultural perspective, analyzing the role that people of different ethnicities, religions and socio-economic experiences have played in shaping history.
- Evaluate a variety of historical sources: learning to analyze/critique an author’s principal argument in secondary sources, and to explore the context, perspectives and implications of primary sources.
- Develop the research and thinking skills needed to critically read, discuss, and write about historical sources, arguments, and historiographical interpretations, through the effective use of libraries, archives, and databases.
- Develop communication skills to organize and express thoughts clearly and coherently both in writing and orally.
- Synthesize information from other disciplines (such as philosophy, theology, art, literature, psychology, sociology, economics, and the sciences) into historical arguments to more fully understand and explain the human experience.
- Develop mastery of knowledge and skills involved in historical practices by conceptualizing and executing an independent historical research project, presented in both oral and written form.

## Major Program (39 credit hours)

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Required Courses</b>		
HIST 111	History of World Civilization to 1500	3
HIST 112	History of World Civilization 1500 to Present	3
HIST 301	History and Social Sciences Seminar (for sophomores and transfer students)	3
HIST 492	Senior Capstone	3
Select two courses in either European or Non-Western History from the following:		6
<b>European History</b>		
HIST 304	20th Century Europe (3)	
HIST 305	History of World War II: Global Perspective (3)	
HIST 308	Politics and History of Eastern Europe (3)	
HIST 315	Digitizing History (3)	
HIST 330	History in Film (3)	
HIST 342	From Witches to Feminists (3)	
HIST 344	Medieval Europe (3)	
HIST 351	Classical Civilization of Greece and Rome (3)	
HIST 352	Renaissance and Reformation (3)	

HIST 347	Modern Europe I (3)
HIST 349	Modern Europe II (3)
HIST 361	Europe since 1945: A multidisciplinary analysis of transatlantic relations (3)
HIST 494	Topics in History (0-3)

### Non-Western History

HIST 241	History of Africa (3)
HIST 242	History of the Middle East (3)
HIST 246	History of Latin America (3)
HIST 248	History and Politics of East Asia (3)
HIST 305	History of World War II: Global Perspective (3)
HIST 362	Latin America – International Relations (3)
HIST 363	East Asia – International Relations (3)
HIST 494	Topics in History (0-3)

### History Electives <sup>1</sup>

Take seven electives from any History course, as long as five of them are 200-level or above. 21

HIST 121	United States to 1865 (3)
HIST 122	United States Since 1865 (3)
HIST 241	History of Africa (3)
HIST 242	History of the Middle East (3)
HIST 246	History of Latin America (3)
HIST 248	History and Politics of East Asia (3)
HIST 293	The United States in World Affairs (3)
HIST 304	20th Century Europe (3)
HIST 305	History of World War II: Global Perspective (3)
HIST 308	Politics and History of Eastern Europe (3)
HIST 310	Public History (3)
HIST 315	Digitizing History (3)
HIST 320	Colonial America (3)
HIST 321	America's Early Republic (3)
HIST 322	Civil War and Reconstruction (3)
HIST 323	Emergence of Modern America (3)
HIST 324	The United States: 1914-1945 (3)
HIST 325	The United States since 1945 (3)
HIST 328	United States in World Affairs (3)
HIST 330	History in Film (3)
HIST 342	From Witches to Feminists (3)
HIST 344	Medieval Europe (3)
HIST 347	Modern Europe I (3)
HIST 349	Modern Europe II (3)
HIST 351	Classical Civilization of Greece and Rome (3)
HIST 352	Renaissance and Reformation (3)
HIST 356	The Presidency (3)
HIST 361	Europe since 1945: A multidisciplinary analysis of transatlantic relations (3)
HIST 362	Latin America – International Relations (3)
HIST 363	East Asia – International Relations (3)
HIST 390	Methods of Teaching Adolescents Social Science (3)
HIST 394	Topics (1-4)
HIST 490	Special Topics in History (4)
HIST 493	International Experience (1)

HIST 494	Topics in History (0-3)
HIST 495	Directed Study (1-3)
HIST 496	Independent Study (1-3)
HIST 497	Senior Thesis (1-3)
HIST 499	Internship (1-6)

**History Electives<sup>1</sup>:** Seven additional courses (or 21 credit hours) in American, European, or Non-Western history are required. At least five of the courses (or 15 credits) must be 200-level or above. Only American history courses are listed above, but requirements may be satisfied with European or Non-Western history courses as well.

### **Optional Concentration: International Relations (12 credit hours)**

<b>Code</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Hours</b>
HIST 361	Europe since 1945: A multidisciplinary analysis of transatlantic relations	3
HIST 362	Latin America – International Relations	3
HIST 363	East Asia – International Relations	3
POLI 360	International Relations Theory and Practice	3
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>12</b>