HISTORY

History is the study of human activity in the past. It encompasses the full spectrum of human thought and behavior. Using a wide variety of methods and approaches, historians examine how these activities have changed over time.
CAREERS

The study of history prepares students for a wide range of opportunities for careers in both public and private sectors. Students develop the ability to think critically, to write effectively and expressively, to evaluate arguments and to communicate ideas. The program can serve as a basis for a number of careers: public history (museums, archives, cultural centers), the foreign service, civil service, education, human services, law, communications and public relations, advertising, business and financial services, publishing and journalism.

REQUIREMENTS

The minimum number of semester credit hours required for this degree, including the core curriculum requirements, is 120. Thirty-nine of the total semester credit hours required for the degree must be at the upper-division level.

All candidates for this degree must fulfill the core curriculum requirements and the degree requirements, which are listed below.

A. 33 semester credit hours in the major, of which 21 must be at the upper-division level

1. HIS 2003 Historical Methods
   This is a foundational course for the major. Students must take it as early as possible in their program.

2. 9 semester credit hours selected from the sophomore-level civilization courses, including HIS 2133, HIS 2123, and courses numbered HIS 2533 to HIS 2583.

3. 18 upper-division semester credit hours of history courses, including at least one U.S., one European, and one Latin American, African, or Asian studies course.

4. 3 semester credit hours from HIS 4973, Seminar in History. HIS 2003, Historical Methods, is a prerequisite for enrollment in this course.

B. 9 semester credit hours in approved upper-division courses from other disciplines that support the study of history. The student must consult with his or her faculty adviser to define a cohesive support area, and the faculty adviser’s approval is required for each course. Recommended areas for support work include, but are not limited to:

   American Studies  
   Anthropology  
   Art History  
   Bicultural-Bilingual Studies  
   Classics  
   Communication  
   Criminal Justice  
   Economics  
   English  
   Geography  
   Philosophy  
   Political Science  
   Psychology  
   Sociology  
   Women and Gender Studies

C. 6 semester credit hours of a single language other than English

D. 30 semester credit hours of electives

Social Studies Concentration

The Bachelor of Arts degree in History with a concentration in social studies is designed for students intending to teach history, geography, government and economics at the secondary school level. The signature experience is encapsulated in HIS 4143, History Standards and Their Public Reception. This course reviews the ongoing debates over the content of history curriculum in the schools among historians, educators, and the public.

The minimum number of semester credit hours for this degree is 129, including required coursework for teacher certification. Students seeking teacher certification should also refer to the requirements listed by the College of Education and Human Development.

E. 24 semester credit hours of required courses

   ANT 1013  
   EDC 2013  
   GRG 1023  
   HIS 2003  
   HIS 2133  
   HIS 2563  
   HIS 4433  
   HIS 4973

   Introduction to Anthropology  
   Introductory Macroeconomics  
   World Regional Geography  
   Historical Methods  
   Introduction to World Civilization since the Fifteenth Century  
   Introduction to European Civilization  
   History Standards and Their Public Reception  
   Seminar in History

F. 6 semester credit hours of civilization courses from among the following:

   ANT 3273  
   ANT 3673  
   ANT 3723  
   HIS 2533  
   Ancient Civilizations of Mesoamerica  
   Ancient Civilizations of the Near East, Egypt, and Europe  
   Ancient Complex Society  
   Introduction to Latin American Civilization

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HIS 2543  Introduction to Islamic Civilization
HIS 2553  Introduction to East Asian Civilization
HIS 2573  Introduction to African Civilization
HIS 2583  Introduction to South Asian Civilization

D. 6 semester credit hours from among the following:

   HIS 3093  United States Constitutional History
   POL 3023  Civil Liberties in American Law and Practice
   POL 3113  American Political Theory
   POL 3283  The American Presidency
   POL 3323  Constitutional Law

E. 3 semester credit hours from among the following:

   POL 2603  International Politics
   POL 2633  Comparative Politics
   POL 3103  Political Ideology
   POL 3143  Political Philosophy: Modern
   POL 3193  Theories of Citizenship
   POL 3363  Political Parties and Interest Groups
   POL 3373  The Legislative Process
   POL 3393  Latin American Politics
   POL 3403  European Politics
   POL 3503  American Foreign Policy since World War II

F. 3 semester credit hours from among the following:

   GRG 3113  Geography of the United States and Canada
   GRG 3123  Geography of Latin America
   GRG 3133  Geography of Europe
   GRG 3213  Cultural Geography
   GRG 3513  Urban Geography
   GRG 3533  Geography of Economic Activity
   GRG 3643  Political Geography
   GRG 3723  Physiography

G. 30 semester credit hours in reading and education

   BBL 3403  Cultural and Linguistic Diversity in a Pluralistic Society
   C&I 4203  Models of Teaching in the Content Areas of the Secondary School
   C&I 4646  Student Teaching: Secondary
   EDP 3203  Learning and Development in the Secondary School
   EDP 4203  Assessment and Evaluation
   EDU 2103  Social Foundations for the Education of Diverse Populations
   IDS 2013  Introduction to Learning and Teaching in a Culturally Diverse Society
   PEB 3773  Introduction to Content Area Reading—Secondary
   SPE 3603  Introduction to Exceptionality

MINOR IN HISTORY

All students pursuing a minor in history must complete 18 semester credit hours.

A. 9 semester credit hours of required courses

   HIS 2003  Historical Methods
   HIS 2123  Introduction to World Civilization to the Fifteenth Century
   HIS 2133  Introduction to World Civilization since the Fifteenth Century

   Up to 3 hours chosen from the following:

   HIS 2533  Introduction to Latin American Civilization
   HIS 2543  Introduction to Islamic Civilization
   HIS 2553  Introduction to East Asian Civilization
   HIS 2563  Introduction to African Civilization
   HIS 2573  Introduction to South Asian Civilization

B. 9 additional semester credit hours of upper-division history electives

To declare a minor in history, obtain advice, or seek approval for substitutions for course requirements, students should consult the College of Liberal and Fine Arts Advising Center.

Information gathered from the 2006–2008 undergraduate catalog.

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