

HISTORY MAJOR

Bachelor of Arts Degree in History

The major requires a minimum of 32 credit hours. No more than 8 credits may be at the 100 level. One must be at the 300 level, and students must take HIST 401 Methods and Practice in History and HIST 402 History Capstone. The remainder of the courses may be at the 200 or 300 level. An Historical Perspectives course taught by the Department of History faculty counts toward the major requirements. Students may choose an area of historical specialization but must take at least one course in each of the following three geographical areas: United States, Europe and non-Western (e.g., Asia, Africa or Latin America). In addition, they must take one course focusing on history before 1800 and one course focusing on history after 1800, in order to ensure a breadth of chronological knowledge.

The capstone sequence for the major is HIST 401 and HIST 402, recommended to be taken in the junior year, particularly for students planning to complete a two-semester thesis. Both courses are required of all students majoring in history. Methods and Practice is generally taught in the fall semester. The Capstone is generally taught in the spring semester. Enrollment in Methods and Practice is limited to junior or senior history majors or minors who have taken a Historical Perspectives course. Students must successfully complete HIST 401, and at least two courses at or above the 200 level prior to taking the Capstone. It is strongly advised to take a history course at the 300 level prior to taking the Capstone course. To develop their understanding of how historical knowledge relates to other academic disciplines, students may take one course taught by a faculty member outside the Department of History, provided that the course has been approved for the major by the department in advance.

Required Courses

Code	Title	Credits
8 Credits Total		
HIST 401	Methods and Practice in History	4
HIST 402	History Capstone	4

No more than 8 credits from the following 100-level History courses (score of 4 or 5 on an AP History exam will count as one 100-level course)

Code	Title	Credits
HIST 101	Medieval Lives in Love and War	4
HIST 102	The Web of Europe since 1400	4
HIST 103	U.S. Origins: From Pre-Colonial Times to 1877	4
HIST 104	Modern Times: The U.S. from 1877 to the Present	4
HIST 164	Asia Pacific in Modern Times	4
HIST 188	History of East Asia to 1800	4
HIST 150	Special Topics	1-4

One History Course Before 1800

Code	Title	Credits
Select one of the following (4 Credits Total):		
HIST 101	Medieval Lives in Love and War	4
HIST 188	History of East Asia to 1800	4
HIST 233	Medieval Civilization: Crusades and Chivalry	4

HIST 235	The Renaissance in Florence (ART 235)	4
HIST 236	Reformation: Luther to Fox (REL 236)	4
HIST 241	Africa Before 1800	4
HIST 271	Colonial Latin America	4
HIST 283	Silk, Silver and Empire: Imperial China	4
HIST 285	Samurai in Word and Image	4
HIST 310	Advanced Seminar in Global History	1-4
HIST 335	Ancient Greece from Homer to Socrates (IDS 452)	4
HIST 336	The Elizabethan Age (ENGL 336)	4
HIST 250	Special Topics	1-4
HIST 350	Special Topics	1-4
IDS 452	Homer to Socrates: Cultures of Classical Greece (HIST 335)	4

One U.S. History Course

Code	Title	Credits
Select one of the following (4 Credits Total)		
HIST 103	U.S. Origins: From Pre-Colonial Times to 1877	4
HIST 104	Modern Times: The U.S. from 1877 to the Present	4
HIST 205	American Imperialism, American Progressive	4
HIST 212	American Frontiers	4
HIST 215	The Civil Rights Movement	4
HIST 218	Legacies of History: The Case of California Indians	4
HIST 221	North Carolina History	4
HIST 223	Gender and Power in U. S. History	4
HIST 225	African American History (AFAM 225)	4
HIST 227	Urban Environmental History	4
HIST 276	Civil War and Reconstruction	4
HIST 308	The Underground Railroad	4
HIST 310	Advanced Seminar in Global History	1-4
HIST 311	The U.S. since 1945	4
HIST 312	Indians in American History since 1800	4
HIST 324	American Rivers	4
HIST 250	Special Topics	1-4
HIST 350	Special Topics	1-4

One Europe Course

Code	Title	Credits
Select one of the following (4 Credits Total):		
HIST 101	Medieval Lives in Love and War	4
HIST 102	The Web of Europe since 1400	4
HIST 219	The Age of Dictators: Europe, 1920s-30s	4
HIST 233	Medieval Civilization: Crusades and Chivalry	4
HIST 235	The Renaissance in Florence (ART 235)	4
HIST 236	Reformation: Luther to Fox (REL 236)	4
HIST 237	Europe in Revolution, 1789-1914	4
HIST 238	War and Peace: 20th-Century Europe, 1914-1999	4
HIST 245	Europe since World War II	4
HIST 255	The Second World War	4
HIST 289	The French Revolution and Napoleon	4
HIST 310	Advanced Seminar in Global History	1-4
HIST 335	Ancient Greece from Homer to Socrates (IDS 452)	4
HIST 336	The Elizabethan Age (ENGL 336)	4

IDS 452	Homer to Socrates: Cultures of Classical Greece (HIST 335)	4
HIST 250	Special Topics	1-4
HIST 350	Special Topics	1-4

One Non-Western History Course

Code	Title	Credits
Select one of the following (4 Credits Total):		
HIST 164	Asia Pacific in Modern Times	4
HIST 188	History of East Asia to 1800	4
HIST 241	Africa Before 1800	4
HIST 242	Africa Since 1800	4
HIST 266	Modern China in Film	4
HIST 268	Gender and Sexuality in Chinese History	4
HIST 271	Colonial Latin America	4
HIST 272	Modern Latin America	4
HIST 283	Silk, Silver and Empire: Imperial China	4
HIST 284	China in Revolution	4
HIST 285	Samurai in Word and Image	4
HIST 286	Japan: Road to War	4
HIST 310	Advanced Seminar in Global History	1-4
HIST 250	Special Topics	1-4
HIST 350	Special Topics	1-4

Total credits required for A.B. degree in history is 32 credits