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College of Arts & Sciences **Bachelor of Arts in History (B.A.)**

Program Description

By examining human agency and exploring the choices, limitations, achievements and failures of past peoples, history majors better understand the creation of the present and appreciate options for the future. Historians don't just study the past; they develop the ability to read critically, research thoroughly, and express ideas carefully and persuasively. Because historical study is very often comparative, with constant attention to global conditions, our majors are well prepared for a variety of careers in today's global marketplace, in the public and private sectors as analytical, creative, articulate and informed thinkers. History majors become lawyers, politicians, entrepreneurs, journalists, writers, social workers, and teachers. They work around the world in the Foreign Service, NGOs, international corporations and governmental agencies, in the armed forces and in education. Studying history not only prepares students for these professions; it also satisfies their curiosity about who they are and where they come from.

Program Requirements

History majors benefit from requirements that ensure chronological and geographical breadth and depth of knowledge while allowing for considerable flexibility and an individualized course of study.

Majors must take three introductory courses covering three geographical areas. They must take at least one course in World History (HIST 1320 or 1330); one course in European History (HIST 1210 or 1220); and one course in US History (HIST 2000 or 2010).

At the advanced level, students take a research and writing course (HIST 3111J) and 21 additional semester hours in upper division courses (above HIST 2010) in three geographical areas (U.S., Europe and World) and three chronological areas (pre-modern, early modern, and modern). Majors should consult their departmental advisor for assistance in selecting classes.

Graduation with a B.A. in history requires the successful completion of college of arts and science requirements and 33 semester hours in history (+ the HIST 3111J course which also meets the university J requirement) and a 2.0 minimum G.P.A.

Opportunities Upon Graduation

Training in history prepares students for a variety of careers. Many pursue jobs in education, museum, and library work. Others turn the critical-thinking and writing skills history classes provide them into careers as lawyers, government officials, businessmen and women, journalists, and policy consultants in the non-profit sector. A history degree allows students to explore different cultures and develop analytical abilities necessary for succeeding in our increasingly globalized society.

History

Fall Semester - Year 1		Spring Semester - Year 1	
HIST 1210 or HIST 1320	3	HIST 1220 or HIST 1330	3
TIER I Quantitative Skills (See Advisor)	4	Foreign Language 1120	4
ENG 1510 Freshman Composition	3	A&S Natural Science	3
Foreign Language 1110	4	A&S Humanities	3
A&S Social Science	3	A&S Social Science	3
	16cr		16cr

Fall Semester - Year 2		Spring Semester - Year 2	
HIST 2000 US History 1600-1877	3	HIST 2010 US History 1865-Present	3
Foreign Language 2110	3	Foreign Language 2120	3
A&S Social Science	3	A&S Social Science	3
A&S Humanities	3	A&S Humanities	3
A&S Natural Science	3	A&S Natural Science	3
	15cr		15cr

Fall Semester - Year 3		Spring Semester - Year 3	
HIST 2950 Intro History Seminar	3	HIST 3111J Historical Research & Writing	3
HIST (Area Requirement)	3	HIST (Area Requirement)	3
TIER II Fine Arts (2FA)	3	HIST (Chronological Requirement)	3
Elective	3	A&S Humanities	3
Elective	3	Elective	3
	15cr		15cr

Fall Semester - Year 4		Spring Semester - Year 4	
HIST (Chronological Requirement)	3	HIST (Chronological Requirement)	3
HIST (Area Requirement)	3	HIST Elective	3
TIER III	3	Elective	3
Elective	3	Elective	3
Elective	3	Elective	3
	15cr		15cr