

M.A. in History

Academic Program Guide

Department of History

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Entrance Requirements

- Submission of the graduate application with a statement of objectives and current resume.
- Submission of an official transcript demonstrating that the applicant has earned an undergraduate degree from an accredited institution with a minimum 3.0 undergraduate grade point average.
- Two letters of recommendation from undergraduate professors or other qualified professionals.
- GRE scores
- Submission of a writing sample.

Program Requirements (30 sh)

SUMMARY OF MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

- 18 sh of Foundational Courses
- 12 sh in chosen area (US, European or Global history)
- 30 sh Total Courses

FOUNDATIONAL COURSES

Course #	Course Name	Course Attributes / Notes	Sem/Yr	Grade	Credits
HIST 05.510	Readings and Research in Global History				3
HIST 05.512	Readings and Research in U.S. History				3
					Subtotal: 6 sh

Students without an undergraduate degree in History are required to take HIST 05506, Research Methods in History, unless they receive an exemption from the graduate advisor based on submitted written work and/or a personal interview.

CHOSEN AREA COURSES (12 credits in one area: US, European or Global History)

Course #	Course Name	Course Attributes / Notes	Sem/Yr	Grade	Credits
HIST 05.511	Colloquium in American History I				3
HIST 05.514	Colloquium in American History II				3
HIST 05.516	Colloquium in American History III				3
HIST 05.522	Colloquium in European History I				3
HIST 05.523	Colloquium in European History II				3
HIST 05.524	Colloquium in European History III				3
HIST 05.531	Colloquium in Global History I				3
HIST 05.533	Colloquium in Global History II				3
HIST 05.535	Colloquium in Global History III				3
					Subtotal: 12 sh

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Free Electives for this Degree (24 sh)

Course #	Course Name	Course Attributes / Notes	Sem/Yr	Grade	Credits
HIST 05.506	Research Methods in History				3
HIST 05.544	NJ in American History				3
HIST 05.545	History of Crime				3
HIST 05.551	Graduate Independent Study				3
HIST 05.561	Early American History Seminar				3
HIST 05.562	19 th Century American History Seminar				3
HIST 05.563	American History After 1917				3
HIST 05.571	Ancient Mediterranean History Seminar 3				3
HIST 05.572	Medieval & Early Modern European History Seminar 3				3
HIST 05.573	Modern European History Seminar 3				3
HIST 05.581	African History Seminar 3				3
HIST 05.582	Middle Eastern History Seminar 3				3
HIST 05.583	Russian History Seminar 3				3
HIST 05.584	Latin American History Seminar 3				3
HIST 05.585	East Asian History Seminar 3				3
HIST 05.586	South and Southeast Asian Seminar 3				3

Up to 6 credits may be taken as independent study.

Students may take one elective graduate course outside of the History Program, chosen in consultation with the Graduate Program Coordinator.

Course #	Course Name	Course Attributes / Notes	Sem/Yr	Grade	Credits
HIST 05.601	Master's Thesis in History I				3
HIST 05.602	Master's Thesis in History II				3
					Subtotal: 6 sh

MA Thesis or Non-Thesis Track

All students are required to gain permission from the Graduate Program Coordinator to pursue the thesis track.

M.A. Thesis Track

This is designed for students who are interested in pursuing original research and is strongly recommended for those who are planning to do doctoral work in the field of history. If the thesis track is chosen, students must successfully complete and defend their master's thesis.

M.A. Non-Thesis Track

Students may choose to complete the degree by pursuing coursework without a thesis. This track may be appropriate for those seeking professional development or broader content knowledge.

Total Program Credits Required for this Degree: 30 sh

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