HISTORY

Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in History
Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in History — concentration in Education
Minor in History

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The Program
Students completing this program will have demonstrated the ability to:

- Locate diverse types of historical evidence; evaluate credibility, position or perspective, and determine how to use appropriately.
- Place primary and secondary sources in appropriate historical and historiographical context, with attention to the chronology, geography (local, national, and global), culture and methodology.
- Develop a body of historical knowledge with range and depth that recognizes the causes and consequences of continuity and change over time.
- Be able to understand and evaluate different perspectives and arguments, engaging with the ideas of other historians and citing them appropriately.
- Create a research question, conduct effective and wide-ranging research to procure evidence, formulate a persuasive analytical argument, and communicate it effectively in a written or oral format.
- Apply historical knowledge and analysis to contribute to contemporary social dialogue and to life-long learning and critical habits of mind essential to an effective and engaged citizenship.

This program is excellent preparation for a wide range of careers. The emphasis on broadly applicable skills such as research, writing, face-to-face communication, and critical thinking prepare graduates for any number of jobs. More specifically, history graduates are especially well suited to work not only as archivists, academic historians, public historians and curators, but also as diplomats, editors, law clerks, librarians, publicists, and writers. A history degree is also superb academic preparation for graduate studies in law, business, and many academic disciplines.

Preparation
In high school take history, English, geography, government, and foreign languages.

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MAJOR
For a description of degree requirements to be fulfilled in addition to those listed below for the major, please see “The Bachelor’s Degree” section of the catalog, pp. 67-82.

History majors must receive a C- or better in their major courses to pass.

Lower Division (16 units)

- HIST 110 (3) U.S. History to 1877
- HIST 111 (3) U.S. History from 1877
- HIST 210 (4) Historical Methods

Two from the following:

- HIST 104 (3) Western Civilization to 1650
- HIST 105 (3) Western Civilization, 1650 to Present
- HIST 106B (3) Islamic Societies: The Making of the Muslim Middle East
- HIST 107 (3) East Asian History to 1644
- HIST 108 (3) East Asian Civilization Since 1644
- HIST 109 (3) Colonial Latin American History
- HIST 109B (3) Modern Latin America

Upper Division Areas (24 units minimum)

- Take HIST 210 before taking upper-division major courses.
- Take at least four units from each of the three area course lists below.
- Take a minimum of 24 units selected from the area course lists below.
- Special topics courses (HIST 391, HIST 392, HIST 393) may be used in the appropriate areas.
- See an advisor concerning HIST 311 and HIST 312.

European History Area Course List

- HIST 300 (3) Era of WWI, and
- HIST 300R (1) Era of WWI Research Seminar
- HIST 301 (3) Era of WWII, and
- HIST 301R (1) Era of WWII Research Seminar

US History Area Course List

- HIST 368 (4) Colonial & Revolutionary America
- HIST 369 (4) The Age of Jefferson & Jackson
- HIST 371 (4) Civil War & Reconstruction
- HIST 372 (4) Rise of Modern America, 1877-1929
- HIST 374 (4) Contemporary America, 1929 to the Present
- HIST 375A (4) US Foreign Relations, 1789-1943
- HIST 375B (4) US Foreign Relations, 1943-Present
- HIST 383 (4) California History
- HIST 391 (1-4) Special Topics & Interdisciplinary Studies in History

World Regions History Area Course List

- HIST 319 (4) Emergence of the Modern Middle East
- HIST 323 (4) Gender & Sexuality in East Asian History
- HIST 324 (4) The Arab-Israeli Conflict: History, Narratives & Nationalism
- HIST 326 (4) History of Mexico
- HIST 327 (4) History of Brazil
- HIST 328 (4) Women & Gender in Latin America
- HIST 329 (4) Imperial China
- HIST 338 (4) Modern Chinese History
- HIST 339 (4) Modern Japanese History
- HIST 377 (4) Vietnam Wars
- HIST 393 (1-4) Special Topics in Non-Western History
Practicum Courses
Take four total units of approved 1-unit courses:
HIST 387 (1) Int'l Education Colloquium
HIST 394 (1) History Conference
HIST 395 (1) Classroom Observation for History Day
HIST 396 (1) Int'l Latino Film Seminar
HIST 397 (1) Weekend Workshop
HIST 398 (1) History Career Workshop
HIST 482 (1) Internship in History
HIST 491 (1) Mentoring

Capstone Course
HIST 490 (4) Senior Seminar

History Education Concentration (Social Science Education)
The Program
The History major with a concentration in Education prepares students to enter a Single Subject Secondary Education Credential program after they graduate with their B.A. degree. This is a major in History that prepares students to become Social Science teachers in California. In addition to history courses the student must also complete coursework in economics, geography, and politics. This coursework comprises the History Department’s Social Science Education waiver major, which waives the state requirement to take and pass the California Subject Examination for Teachers (CSET).

Requirements for the Education Concentration
Majors must receive a C- or better in their major courses to pass.

Lower Division
HIST 110 (3) U.S. History to 1877
HIST 111 (3) U.S. History from 1877
HIST 210 (4) Historical Methods

Upper Division
World Survey
HIST 311 (3) World History to 1750
HIST 312 (3) World History from 1750

U.S. History
HIST 383 (4) California History

Plus at least four (4) additional units selected from the US History area course list on the previous page.

European History or World Regions
Take at least seven (7) additional units selected from the European History or World Regions History area course lists on the previous page.

Social Science Courses
ECON 323 (3) Economic History of the US
GEOG 105 (3) Human Geography
PSCI 230 (3) Introduction to Comparative Politics
PSCI 303 (3) Third World Politics

Capstone Courses
GEOG 470 (3) Topics in Geography for Teachers (fall only)
HIST 395 (1) Classroom Observation for History Day
HIST 420 (4) Interpreting History for Teachers (fall only)

Requirements for the Minor
History minors must receive a C- or better in their minor courses to pass.

A total of 22 units are required for the minor.

Lower Division (10 units)
HIST 110 (3) U.S. History to 1877, or
HIST 111 (3) U.S. History from 1877
HIST 210 (4) Historical Methods

Take one course from the following:
HIST 104 (3) Western Civilization to 1650
HIST 105 (3) Western Civilization, 1650 to Present
HIST 106B (3) Islamic Societies: The Making of the Muslim Middle East
HIST 107 (3) East Asian History to 1644
HIST 108 (3) East Asian Civilization Since 1644
HIST 109 (3) Colonial Latin American History
HIST 109B (3) Modern Latin America

Upper Division (12 units)

Take 12 units of upper division history electives.