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The Department of History follows a long tradition. It has been providing a solid foundation of historical understanding to the undergraduate students of Saint Louis University for more than a century and a half. The program begins with survey courses covering the Origins of the Modern World to 1500 and since 1500 and a methodology course, The Historian’s Craft. Students then take courses in more specific historical areas that allow exploration of certain subjects in greater depth. Finally, students take a seminar that require them to research and write in more narrowly focused areas. The Department of History participates in the activities of a wide range of Saint Louis University departments and programs.

History Major (Bachelor of Arts)

Prerequisites
HIST 1110 Origins of the Modern World to 1500 3
HIST 1120 Origins of the Modern World since 1500 3

Required Courses
HIST 2800 The Historian’s Craft 3

General Requirements

Twenty-seven credits of upper-division (2000, 3000 and 4000 level) History courses. With the approval of a student's advisor, two upper-division courses in other disciplines related to History may be substituted to fulfill six credits of this requirement. The twenty-seven credit requirement must include one 4000-level seminar:

Pre-1500 European History - 3 Credits
HIST 3000 Ancient Greece 3
HIST 3010 Roman Republic 3
HIST 3020 The Roman Empire 3
HIST 3030 The Byzantine Empire 3
HIST 3040 The Middle Ages to 1100 3
HIST 3050 The Middle Ages 1100 to 1450 3
HIST 3060 The Crusades 3
HIST 3070 Catholic Traditions to 1540 3
HIST 3350 Plagues and People: Disease in Society 3
HIST 3400 Italy: 900 – 1860 3
HIST 3800 Autobiography and History 3
HIST 3930 Special Topics 3

Modern European History (since 1500) - 3 Credits
HIST 3080 Catholic Tradition Since 1540 3
HIST 3090 The Age of Renaissance 3
HIST 3100 The Reformation Era 3
HIST 3110 The Age of Absolutism 3
HIST 3120 French Revolution & Napoleon 3
HIST 3130 The Age of Industrialism and Democracy 3
HIST 3140 20th C Europe: Era of World Wars 3
HIST 3150 Europe since 1945 3
HIST 3160 Eastern Europe 3
HIST 3250 World in Conflict since 1945 3
HIST 3260 Modern France since 1815 3
HIST 3280 Russia to 1905 3
HIST 3290 Russia since 1905 3
HIST 3300 Mod Euro Diplomatic Hist 1815 – 1914 3
HIST 3310 Mod Euro Diplomatic Hist 1914 – Pres 3
HIST 3320 Early Mod History Spain 1469 – 1818 3
HIST 3360 Engl Hist: The Stuarts, 1603-1714 3
HIST 3370 Engl Hist: Ind Revolution, 1714-1880 3
HIST 3380 Engl Hist: Victorian Age, 1837-1914 3
HIST 3390 History of English Law 3
HIST 3410 Italy: 1860 – Present 3
HIST 3710 The Catholic Reformation 3
HIST 3720 Cultural Encounters, 1500-1700 3
HIST 3730 Daily Life in Early Mod Europe 3
HIST 3750 Women in Modern Europe 3
HIST 3760 Modern France 3
HIST 3770 History of the Jews in Spain 3

U.S. History - 3 Credits
HIST 2600 History of the United States to 1865 3
HIST 2610 History of the United States since 1865 3
HIST 3390 History of English Law 3
HIST 3450 Colonial America 3
HIST 3460 Found of American Republic, 1763-1816 3
History Minor

6 credits upper-level electives
(courses may be in another department)

**Prerequisites**

HIST 1110 Origins of the Modern World to 1500
HIST 1120 Origins of the Modern World since 1500

**General Requirements**

HIST 1110/1120, HIST 2800 and twelve additional credits. These must include at least one course in three of the four following areas:* 

**Pre-1500 European History**

List as for Majors plus
HIST 4900 Seminar in European History

**Modern European History**

List as for Majors plus
HIST 4900 Seminar in European History

**U.S. History**

List as for Majors plus
HIST 2600 History of the United States to 1865
HIST 2610 History of the United States since 1865
HIST 4901 Seminar in American History

**Non-Western History**

Asian, African, Middle Eastern, or Latin American
List as for Majors plus
HIST 2700 China and Japan to 1600
HIST 2710 China and Japan since 1600
HIST 3170 Colonial Latin America
HIST 3180 Modern Latin America
HIST 3190 Mexico
HIST 3200 China to 1644
HIST 3210 China since 1644
HIST 3220 The Jesuits in Asia
HIST 3230 Africa to 1844
HIST 3240 Africa since 1844
HIST 3430 African Economic History
HIST 3440 Imperialism and Nationalism
HIST 3650 Race & Religion in Trans-Atlantic World
HIST 3810 Islamic Civilization
HIST 3820 Islamic Middle East
HIST 3830 Modern Middle East

**Senior Seminars - 3 Credits**

HIST 4900 Seminar in European History
HIST 4901 Seminar in American History
HIST 4902 Seminar in Non-Western History

Seminar Prerequisite: two 3000-level History courses and History 2800.

6 credits upper-level electives
(courses may be in another department)

**History Honors Thesis**

This course will be conducted as an independent study/research course for writing an honors thesis. It is an opportunity for superior students who want to expand and revise a paper for a previous 3000 or 4000 level history course into an honors thesis. This option will give the student a chance to develop and demonstrate advanced research and writing skills. It will be excellent preparation for graduate or professional schools, some of which require applicants to submit a writing sample. (HIST 4940).

Students wishing to take a year to complete their thesis may sign up for HIST 4950, Senior Thesis Prep in addition to HIST 4940.

**Internship Opportunities**

The Department of History offers a variety of internships; for example, in an archive, a museum, a historical site, or on a specific project. (HIST 4960)