

History MA/MS

The purpose of the master's degree for students is to acquire advanced training in the discipline of history. This program will introduce students to the ways professional historians research and communicate the results of their research. At the completion of this program, students should be able to explain concepts in historiography and historical theory. They also should understand how to conduct historical research and present their findings sufficiently well to be able to make contributions in the field in professional, academic venues.

Master of Arts/Master of Science in History - Option I Thesis

The student completing either a Master of Arts or a Master of Science Thesis program takes 36 semester hours and must take at least 11 of the 12 required courses in the Department of History. These 11 courses include 6 hours of thesis.

* Note: Students must have completed both HIST 590 and HIST 591, or completed one and be enrolled in the other, before attempting the Qualifying Exam.

* Note: HIST 518 is a Pre/Co-Requisite for HIST 592.

Twelve-course program to be completed:

Thesis (6 semester hours)

HIST 518	Thesis (6 semester hours required)	6
Only 6 semester hours of credit for 518 per degree will be given upon satisfactory completion of the requirement		

Graduate History Practicum (3-6 semester hours)

HIST 592	Graduate History Practicum (Minimum 3 hours required, up to 6 allowed for credit)	3
Only 6 semester hours of credit for 592 per degree will be given upon satisfactory completion of the requirement		

Required Courses (6 semester hours)

HIST 590	Historiography and Historical Theory	3
HIST 591	Historical Research and Writing Methods	3

Graduate History Readings courses (6 semester hours)

Choose (6 semester hours) from graduate History courses designated as Readings courses:

HIST 521	Readings in Latin American History	3
HIST 524	Readings in World History	3
HIST 526	Readings in Transatlantic History	3
HIST 537	Readings in Islamic World History	3
HIST 541	Readings in Mediterranean World History	3
HIST 542	Readings in Medieval European History	3
HIST 543	Readings in Early Modern European History	3
HIST 544	Readings in Modern European History	3
HIST 551	Readings in Colonial North American History	3
HIST 552	Readings in Revolutionary American History	3
HIST 553	Readings in Modern United States History, 1850-1920	3
HIST 554	Readings in U. S. Post 1920	3
HIST 556	Readings in the Early National United States, 1789-1850	3

Graduate History Seminar Course (3 semester hours)

Choose (3 semester hours) from Graduate History hours designated as seminar courses:

HIST 520	Seminar in World/Comparative History	3
HIST 540	Seminar in European History	3
HIST 550	Seminar in American History	3
HIST 568	Seminar in History Education	3

Choose from the following: General History Emphasis or Public History Minor or World History Minor

General History Emphasis electives (12 semester hours) from:

HIST 520	Seminar in World/Comparative History	3
HIST 521	Readings in Latin American History	3
HIST 522	World History Theory and Methods	3
HIST 524	Readings in World History	3

HIST 526	Readings in Transatlantic History	3
HIST 535	Introduction to the History of Religion	3
HIST 537	Readings in Islamic World History	3
HIST 540	Seminar in European History	3
HIST 541	Readings in Mediterranean World History	3
HIST 542	Readings in Medieval European History	3
HIST 543	Readings in Early Modern European History	3
HIST 544	Readings in Modern European History	3
HIST 550	Seminar in American History	3
HIST 551	Readings in Colonial North American History	3
HIST 552	Readings in Revolutionary American History	3
HIST 553	Readings in Modern United States History, 1850-1920	3
HIST 554	Readings in U. S. Post 1920	3
HIST 556	Readings in the Early National United States, 1789-1850	3
HIST 564	Introduction to Public History	3
HIST 561	Material Culture Analysis for Historians	3
HIST 566	Oral History Theory and Methods	3
HIST 568	Seminar in History Education	3
HIST 569	Introduction to Digital History	3
HIST 572	Themes in Gender and Sexuality History	3
HIST 573	Themes in Revolution History	3
HIST 574	Themes in Race and Ethnicity History	3
HIST 597	Special Topic	3

Electives may also include a 3 semester hour graduate level course outside of History or a second semester of HIST 592.

OR

Public History Minor (12 semester hours)

Required 2 courses (6 semester hours)

HIST 567	Internship in Public History	3
HIST 564	Introduction to Public History	3

Choose 2 courses (6 semester hours) from the following:

ALIB 564	Introduction to Archives	3
HIST 561	Material Culture Analysis for Historians	3
HIST 566	Oral History Theory and Methods	3
HIST 569	Introduction to Digital History	3

OR

World History Minor (12 semester hours)

Required course (3 semester hours)

HIST 522	World History Theory and Methods	3
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Choose one (3 semester hours)

HIST 520	Seminar in World/Comparative History	3
HIST 524	Readings in World History	3

Choose two (6 semester hours)

HIST 520	Seminar in World/Comparative History	3
HIST 521	Readings in Latin American History	3
HIST 524	Readings in World History	3
HIST 526	Readings in Transatlantic History	3
HIST 537	Readings in Islamic World History	3
HIST 540	Seminar in European History	3
HIST 541	Readings in Mediterranean World History	3
HIST 572	Themes in Gender and Sexuality History	3
HIST 573	Themes in Revolution History	3
HIST 574	Themes in Race and Ethnicity History	3

HIST 597	Special Topic	3
*HIST 597 must be approved by the program coordinator and depends on current topic		
PSCI 503	Proseminar in Comp Pol	3
PSCI 504	Sem in Area Studies	3
PSCI 505	Topics Comp Pol	3
PSCI 507	Selected Topics in IR	3
PSCI 508	Seminar in Foreign Policy	3
PSCI 522	Holocaust and Genocide	3
SPA 550	Literature and Culture in the Classroom	3
SPA 560	Colonization and Independence in Latin American Literature and Film	3
*Note: The degree requirement that only one course can be outside HIST still applies to students completing the World History Minor.		
Total Hours		36

Master of Arts/Master of Science in History - Option II Non-Thesis

A student completing a Master of Arts or Master of Science Non-Thesis program is required to complete 36 semester hours and to take at least 10 of the 12 required courses in the Department of History.

* Note: Students must have completed both HIST 590 and HIST 591, or completed one and be enrolled in the other, before attempting the Qualifying Exam.

Twelve-course program to be completed:

Research (3 semester hours required)

HIST 595	Research Literature and Techniques (3 semester hours required)	3
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Required courses (6 semester hours)

HIST 590	Historiography and Historical Theory	3
HIST 591	Historical Research and Writing Methods	3

Graduate History Readings courses (6 semester hours)

Choose (6 semester hours) from graduate courses in History designated as Readings:

HIST 521	Readings in Latin American History	3
HIST 524	Readings in World History	3
HIST 526	Readings in Transatlantic History	3
HIST 537	Readings in Islamic World History	3
HIST 541	Readings in Mediterranean World History	3
HIST 542	Readings in Medieval European History	3
HIST 543	Readings in Early Modern European History	3
HIST 544	Readings in Modern European History	3
HIST 551	Readings in Colonial North American History	3
HIST 552	Readings in Revolutionary American History	3
HIST 553	Readings in Modern United States History, 1850-1920	3
HIST 554	Readings in U. S. Post 1920	3
HIST 556	Readings in the Early National United States, 1789-1850	3

Graduate History Seminar course (3 semester hours)

Choose (3 semester hours) from graduate courses in History designated as Seminars:

HIST 520	Seminar in World/Comparative History	3
HIST 540	Seminar in European History	3
HIST 550	Seminar in American History	3
HIST 568	Seminar in History Education	3

Electives (6 semester hours)

Choose 6 semester hours graduate level courses	6
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Choose from the following: General History Emphasis or Public History Minor or World History Minor

General History Emphasis choose (12 semester hours) from:

HIST 520	Seminar in World/Comparative History	3
HIST 521	Readings in Latin American History	3

HIST 522	World History Theory and Methods	3
HIST 524	Readings in World History	3
HIST 526	Readings in Transatlantic History	3
HIST 535	Introduction to the History of Religion	3
HIST 537	Readings in Islamic World History	3
HIST 540	Seminar in European History	3
HIST 541	Readings in Mediterranean World History	3
HIST 542	Readings in Medieval European History	3
HIST 543	Readings in Early Modern European History	3
HIST 544	Readings in Modern European History	3
HIST 550	Seminar in American History	3
HIST 551	Readings in Colonial North American History	3
HIST 552	Readings in Revolutionary American History	3
HIST 553	Readings in Modern United States History, 1850-1920	3
HIST 554	Readings in U. S. Post 1920	3
HIST 556	Readings in the Early National United States, 1789-1850	3
HIST 561	Material Culture Analysis for Historians	3
HIST 564	Introduction to Public History	3
HIST 566	Oral History Theory and Methods	3
HIST 568	Seminar in History Education	3
HIST 569	Introduction to Digital History	3
HIST 572	Themes in Gender and Sexuality History	3
HIST 573	Themes in Revolution History	3
HIST 574	Themes in Race and Ethnicity History	3
HIST 597	Special Topic	3
OR		
Public History Minor (12 semester hours)		
Required 2 courses (6 semester hours)		
HIST 564	Introduction to Public History	3
HIST 567	Internship in Public History	3
Choose 2 courses (6 semester hours) from the following:		
ALIB 564	Introduction to Archives	3
HIST 561	Material Culture Analysis for Historians	3
HIST 566	Oral History Theory and Methods	3
HIST 569	Introduction to Digital History	3
OR		
World History Minor (12 semester hours)		
Required course (3 semester hours)		
HIST 522	World History Theory and Methods	3
Choose 1 course (3 semester hours)		
HIST 520	Seminar in World/Comparative History	3
HIST 524	Readings in World History	3
Choose 2 courses (6 semester hours)		
HIST 520	Seminar in World/Comparative History	3
HIST 521	Readings in Latin American History	3
HIST 524	Readings in World History	3
HIST 526	Readings in Transatlantic History	3
HIST 537	Readings in Islamic World History	3
HIST 540	Seminar in European History	3
HIST 541	Readings in Mediterranean World History	3
HIST 572	Themes in Gender and Sexuality History	3
HIST 573	Themes in Revolution History	3

HIST 574	Themes in Race and Ethnicity History	3
HIST 597	Special Topic	3
*HIST 597 must be approved by the program coordinator and depends on current topic		
PSCI 503	Proseminar in Comp Pol	3
PSCI 504	Sem in Area Studies	3
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PSCI 507	Selected Topics in IR	3
PSCI 508	Seminar in Foreign Policy	3
PSCI 522	Holocaust and Genocide	3
SPA 550	Literature and Culture in the Classroom	3
SPA 560	Colonization and Independence in Latin American Literature and Film	3
*Note that the degree requirement that no more than two courses be from outside HIST still applies to students completing the World History Minor.		
Total Hours		36