



## Program of Study: Bachelor of Arts in History

### Program Description

The History program presents students with chronological and theoretical frameworks that enable them to properly contextualize the human cultural, social, political, and economic experience. The department seeks to equip its majors and minors with the basic skills for historical research and reflection.

Course Number	Course Title	Course Description	Credits
UNV 101	University Success	This course provides positive re-enforcement of successful learning strategies and assistance with adaptation to the academic environment.	3
COM 101	Intro to Human Communication <sup>^</sup>	This course focuses on how people use messages to generate meanings within and across various contexts, cultures, channels, and media. The course readings and discussions seek to increase understanding of relevant communication theories and their application in the practice of effective and ethical human communication in both personal and professional life.	3
ENG 101	Academic Writing	A course in writing academic prose, including various types of essays, arguments, and constructions. A writing intensive course. Prerequisite: UNV 105	3
PSY 101	General Psychology <sup>^</sup>	A foundation course in the science of behavior. Includes a study of the origin and development of behavior patterns, motivation, emotional behavior sensory functions, perception, intelligent behavior, and adjustment. Simple experiments constitute a basic part of the course.	3
HIS 107	World Civilization Since 1500 <sup>^</sup>	A survey of the major events, personalities, movements, and ideas in world civilization from the prehistoric era to 1500 CE. This course focuses on the key political, intellectual, scientific, social, economic, and cultural changes that occurred in world civilization. Students will gain an understanding of the social forces and trends in social, religious, political, and philosophic thought that laid the foundations of the modern world.	3
ENG 102	Research Writing	A course exploring various types of research writing, with a focus on constructing essays, arguments, and research reports based on primary and secondary sources. A writing-intensive course. Prerequisite: ENG 101.	3
SPA 101	Elementary Spanish I <sup>^</sup>	This course builds a foundation in the skills of listening, speaking, reading, and writing through the use of a text-workbook, classroom conversational practice, and outside cultural activities.	3
SPA 101L	Elementary Spanish I Lab <sup>^</sup>	The one hour lab for SPA 101. Must be taken concurrently with SPA 101.	1
MAT 120	Intermediate Algebra	Topics from basic algebra: linear equations, polynomials, quadratic equations, systems of equations, and introductory conic sections. Prerequisite: MAT 100.	3

Choose one of the following courses:

INT 463	World Religions <sup>^</sup>	A study of the major contemporary religions of the world including both historical background and development, and current beliefs and practice with emphasis on basic religions: Hinduism, Jainism, Buddhism, Sikhism, Taoism, Confucianism, Shinto, Zoroastrianism, Judaism, Islam, and Baha'i.	3
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BIB 113	Old Testament History <sup>^</sup>	An introductory and historical survey of the Old Testament. Attention is given to the study of the Bible itself, its institutions, literature, and history of the national life of the Hebrew people from earliest times to close of the Old Testament period	3
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Choose one of the following courses:

PHI 101	Introduction to Philosophy <sup>^</sup>	An introduction to the discipline of philosophy through a study of representative philosophic problems.	3
BIB 123	New Testament History <sup>^</sup>	A general historical survey of the New Testament, beginning with the inter-biblical period, with the main emphasis given to the Gospels and Acts.	3

UNV 200	Western Ideas and Aesthetics	An examination of ideas that shaped Western thought, and aesthetics. Students will have opportunities to identify and analyze instances of these ideas literature, film, and art.	4
SPA 102	Elementary Spanish I I	This course is a continuation of SPA 101.	3
SPA 102L	Elementary Spanish I I Lab <sup>^</sup>	The one hour lab for SPA 102. Must be taken concurrently with SPA 102.	1

<sup>^</sup> Campus students may choose an alternative course from the Grand Experience. See the current Academic Catalog for details.

*Total General Education Credits: 39*

History Major Courses:

HIS 108	World History After 1500	A survey of the major events, personalities, movements, and ideas in world civilization after 1500 CE. This course focuses on the key political, intellectual, scientific, social, economic, and cultural changes that occurred in world civilization. Students will gain an understanding of the social forces and trends in social, religious, political, and philosophic thought that laid the foundations of the modern world.	3
HIS 103	Early American History	A study of the history of the United States from pre European contact through the post Civil War reconstruction period which ended in 1877.	3
HIS 104	Recent American History	A study of the history of the United States from 1877 through the beginning of the twenty-first century.	3
HIS 246	History and Historians	An exploration of the historical discipline. Students will examine the meaning and interpretations of history and its methodology. Required for all history majors and minors. A Writing-Intensive course. Prerequisites: Six credits from the following: HIS 103, HIS 104, HIS 107, or HIS 108, or instructor's approval.	3
HIS 309	Civil War Reconstruction	An examination of the causes, conduct and consequences of the American Civil War and reconstruction. Prerequisites: HIS 103 and HIS 246, or instructor's approval.	3
HIS 319	History of the Modern Middle East	A political, cultural, and economic history of the Middle East since 1914.	3
HIS 333	Early Modern Europe	A study of changing European institutions in the age of the Renaissance. The rise and various manifestations of humanism; the religious and political revolt against Rome; the Catholic/Counter Reformations; the rise of nationalism and capitalism. Prerequisite: HIS 106.	3
HIS 343	Colonial and Revolutionary America	This course examines the political, economic, social, and cultural history of the American colonies from initial contact to the Revolutionary War. Prerequisites: HIS 103, HIS 104, and HIS 246, or instructor's approval.	3
HIS 452	History of Japan	This course is a survey of the social, cultural, and economic history of Japan from the 1850s to the present. Prerequisite: HIS 108.	3
HIS 330	20 <sup>th</sup> Century World	A study of 20th century Europe which includes World War I, the Bolshevik Revolution, the rise of Fascism, World War II, the Cold War, the Common Market, and the breakup of Communism in Eastern Europe.	3

HIS 457	China in the 20th Century	This course is a survey of the history of China from the Revolution of 1911 to the present. Topics include the rise of Chiang Kai-shek and the Nationalists, China's experience in World War II, the rise of Mao Zedong and the Communist Party, the Great Leap Forward, the Cultural Revolution, and the reforms of Deng Xiaoping.	3
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Choose one of the following courses:

HIS 352	History of England to 1688	A study of the origin and the development of the English people, with particular attention given to their political, social, economic, and cultural institutions and their interaction with continental Europe. Prerequisites: HIS 107 and HIS 246, or instructor's approval.	3
HIS 413	Russian History	A study of the Russian peoples and their rulers from the earliest times to the present. Prerequisites: HIS 107, HIS 108, and HIS 246, or instructor's approval.	3

*Total History Major Credits: 36*

*Total Grand Experience Credits: 39*

*Total Electives: 45*

*Total Bachelor of Arts in History Credits: 120*

Students may use Electives to complete one or more Concentrations or Minors.