HISTORY

Department of History

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History (HIS)

HIS 4305 Modern China (3)
Cross-listed as AST 4305
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
A history of China from 1700 to the present that considers cultural, economic, literary, political, social, and religious developments. Emphasis will be given to the late imperial state, the Chinese heritage, decline, conflict with the West, revolution, and modernization.

HIS 4312 Modern Middle East History (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
Political, religious, intellectual and social transformations in the Middle East during the nineteenth and twentieth centuries.

HIS 4313 War and Peace in the Middle East (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
The interaction of policy, military force, and society in the waging of war and the quest for peace and security in the Middle East.

HIS 4316 The African Diaspora (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
The history of peoples of African descent in the Diaspora worldwide.

HIS 4325 The Vikings (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
Focuses on Viking life, culture, trade, and migrations from AD 790 to 1100. Includes methods and applications of interdisciplinary research, particularly emphasizing the potential of archaeology to make contributions to historical studies.

HIS 4326 Early Medieval Europe, c. 300-1000 (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor; and upper-level standing
Emergence of medieval civilization through the blending of Roman, Christian, and Germanic institutions, customs, and beliefs.

HIS 4327 High Middle Ages, c. 1000-1450 (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
A study of the flowering of medieval civilization, with emphasis on the medieval church and the origins of the modern state.

HIS 4328 Medieval Britain (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor; and upper-level standing
Medieval British history, emphasizing the development of parliament and the common law, the medieval church in the British Isles; the social impact of warfare; the demographic impact of famine and plague in England and Britain.

HIS 4329 The Renaissance and Reformation (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
The political, economic, intellectual, artistic, and religious upheavals in Europe from the thirteenth through the sixteenth centuries and the resulting social, political, religious, and cultural changes.

HIS 4330 Medieval Mediterranean World (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor; and upper-level standing
The Medieval Mediterranean as a global region, highlighting the various connections and cultural hybridities that linked peoples of Europe, Africa, and “Asia” (now called the Middle East).

HIS 4331 European Expansion, 1400-1800 (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
The development and maintenance of permanent contacts by Europeans with other peoples and cultures around the world between the late Middle Ages and the turn of the 19th century.

HIS 4332 Early Modern Europe (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
A history of Europe from the age of absolutism to the enlightenment. Emphasis will be upon the major political, economic, social, cultural, scientific, and intellectual developments of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries.

HIS 4333 French Revolution and Napoleon (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
Background and history of the French Revolution; relatively brief consideration of the effects of the Revolution and Napoleon upon Europe.

HIS 4336 Europe since World War I (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
Problems of peace making and international organization; rise of Fascism and Communism; background and history of World War II.

HIS 4337 Europe from 1815 to 1914 (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
Political, social, and economic development of the European nations from the Congress of Vienna to the outbreak of the First World War; the rise of liberalism and growth of nationalism; imperialism and the development of international rivalry.

HIS 4338 Cultural and Intellectual History of Europe through the Seventeenth Century (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
History of ideas and their social and economic background from Classical Greece through the Baroque period. Course includes Greek and Roman philosophy, Early Christianity and Scholasticism, the Renaissance, the Reformation, the Scientific Revolution, and the idea of a mechanistic universe. Considerable emphasis on literature; some attention to art and music.

HIS 4339 Cultural and Intellectual History of Modern Europe (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
History of ideas and their social and economic background from the Enlightenment to the present. Course includes study of Enlightenment philosophy (Reason, Nature, God, and Man), Romanticism, Democratic theory and Marxism, Idealism, Darwinism, Fascism, and Existentialism. Considerable emphasis on literature; some attention to art and music.

HIS 4340 Special Topics in History (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
Study in a specialized area of history not covered by regular course offerings. May be repeated once for credit provided topic is different.
HIS 4341 Tudor-Stuart Britain (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor; and upper-level standing
The history of Britain under the Tudor and Stuart dynasties.

HIS 4343 France since 1815 (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
Major topics in French history from Waterloo to the present day, including the Bourbon Restoration, the revolutions of 1830 and 1848, the Second Empire, republicanism, colonialism, the world wars, and Gaullism.

HIS 4345 Britain in the Nineteenth Century (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor; and upper-level standing
The political, social, and economic history of Britain from the end of the Napoleonic War to the beginning of the First World War.

HIS 4346 Britain in the Twentieth Century (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor; and upper-level standing
The political, social, and economic history of Britain from the beginning of the First World War to the end of the first Blair government.

HIS 4350 The History of Gender in Latin America (3)
Cross-listed as LAS 4351
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor; and upper-level standing
The history of the construction of gender and gender relations from pre-Columbian societies to contemporary Latin America. Special emphasis will be given to the creation of archetypes and the contrast between legally coupled realities across time, race, class, and regional divides.

HIS 4354 Religion and War in U.S. History (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
The dynamic relationship between religion and war throughout American history. Coverage stresses, but extends beyond, the Christian faith and traditions.

HIS 4357 Inter-American Relations (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
A history of the evolution of Inter-American relations from colonization to the contemporary development of regional economic blocs. Topics will include relations among the American colonies, efforts at unification after independence, the expanding role of the United States in hemispheric relations, and the Latin-American reaction, and the evolution of regionalism in the hemisphere.

HIS 4362 American Colonial History (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
The settlement, growth, and development of Anglo-American colonies in North America.

HIS 4363 American Revolution and Constitution (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
The creation of an American nation out of thirteen colonies. Topics include the social, economic, political, and ideological roots of the colonists’ resistance to imperial power, the decisions for revolution and independence, the fighting of the Revolutionary War, the rise and fall of the Confederation, and the drafting and ratification of the Constitution.

HIS 4365 The Early Republic, 1789-1860 (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
An overview of the challenges related to creating the new nation of the United States including political, diplomatic, social, economic, and cultural issues and controversies.

HIS 4366 American Legal History to 1877 (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
A survey of legal and constitutional documents, ideas, cases, and debates, in American history from the colonial era to 1877.

HIS 4368 Civil War and Reconstruction (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
Causes, military operations, and aftermath of the American Civil War.

HIS 4369 Religion in America, 1877-Present (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
Religion in America from the end of Reconstruction to the present. Special attention devoted to religion’s intersection with culture and politics and to the growth of religious pluralism in America.

HIS 4371 United States, 1877-1920 (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
Major economic, social, and political developments in the United States within the prescribed chronological limits, with secondary emphasis on the rise of the United States as a world power and its involvement in World War I. Primary emphasis given to industrialization, the farmer revolt, the Progressive Movement, and the ramifications of these events in politics and society.

HIS 4374 United States since 1920 (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
Continuation of HIS 4371 with emphasis on the post-Progressive decade, the Great Depression, the New Deal, and domestic developments since the New Deal. Of secondary emphasis is the coming of World War II and the consequent rise and development of the Cold War.

HIS 4375 The American Civil Rights Movement (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
The origins, major events, and legacy of the struggle to gain full equality for African Americans in the century following the American Civil War. Emphasis on the philosophies and strategies employed to realize full citizenship rights for blacks, individual and institutional leadership, the participation of women, the role of religion, and the impact of this social justice movement on the South, the United States, and the world. (Graduate students may not receive credit for both HIS 4375 and HIS 5375.)

HIS 4377 History of the American Woman, 1600-1865 (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
Women’s history in America from the colonial period to the end of the Civil War, emphasizing the changing roles of women and their contribution to and participation in American society.

HIS 4378 History of the American Woman since 1865 (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
The social, political, and economic survey of women in the United States from the end of the Civil War to the present, emphasizing the women’s movement and its influence on American society.

HIS 4379 The Cold War (3)
Cross-listed as SEES 4379
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
History of global conflict between the United States and the Soviet Union from 1941 to 1991 including cultural, social, economic, political, and religious aspects.

HIS 4380 The American West (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
The frontier in American history from early colonial times to the end of the nineteenth century, with emphasis on the significance of the frontier in American history and historiography.
HIS 4383 History of the South (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
Southern culture with three topics in the ante-bellum period and three topics in the post-bellum period.

HIS 4385 The United States in the 1960s (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
The political, economic, social, cultural, and diplomatic development of the United States in the 1960s.

HIS 4386 The City in American History (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
Emergence, expansion, and impact of urban growth in America from colonial times to the present. Emphasis given to the mechanics of city building, the social, economic, political, and cultural dimensions of urban development and the changing image of the city in the minds of the American people.

HIS 4388 American Environmental History (3)
Cross-listed as ENV 4389
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
Investigation of the physical, social, cultural, and economic relationships between humans and their environment in America from pre-contact to the present.

HIS 4390 U.S. Foreign Relations to 1919 (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours or consent of instructor
The foundations of U.S. diplomacy with particular emphasis on transnational influences, e.g. democracy, gender, trade, slavery, race, and imperialism.

HIS 4392 U.S. Foreign Relations since 1919 (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
The emergence of the United States as a global power, with emphasis on ideology, economics, race, religion, and militarism.

HIS 4395 History of American Thought, 1630-1859 (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
Enduring beliefs about and attitudes toward the world and themselves held by Americans. Emphasis on patterns of beliefs as bases for assurance and commitment. From Puritans through transcendentalists.

HIS 4396 History of American Thought, 1859 to Present (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Nine semester hours of history or consent of instructor
Beliefs Americans have relied on to define and comprehend the world and themselves. Emphasis on what Americans needed and were able to believe in their search for assurance from the naturalism of the Gilded Age to the personal experiential quest of the present.

HIS 5320 Seminar in European History (3)
May be taken five times provided topics change.

HIS 5348 Independent Study in European History (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Graduate standing and consent of instructor
A tutorial course for M.A. and Ph.D. students in history. The course is designed for intensive study of a period or topic in European history. The student and professor in the student’s field of interest will jointly develop a student program. Students may take up to fifteen hours provided topics change.

HIS 5350 Seminar in Latin American History (3)
Emphasizes critical reading skills using topics and literature related to Latin American history. May be taken up to two times for credit toward the master’s degree provided different topics are examined.

HIS 5360 Seminar in United States History (3)
Cross-listed as AMS 5360
May be taken five times provided topics change.

HIS 5365 Seminar in Public History (3)
Cross-listed as AMS 5365
Field of public history, with emphasis on practical applications of historical methodology and the work of historians outside academia.

HIS 5367 Seminar in Oral History (3)
Cross-listed as AMS 5367
Literature and methods of recent United States oral history, with emphasis on the philosophy behind the oral history movement and the personal involvement of the student in the gathering of oral memoirs.

HIS 5369 The Historian's Craft (3)
Introduction to the history profession focusing on the philosophy of history, the methodology of history, and the craft of writing and teaching history.

HIS 5370 Advanced Graduate Research and Writing (3)
Cross-listed as AMS 5370
Seminar for first-year students focusing on historical research skills, independent learning, critical thinking, and effective paper presentations.

HIS 5371 Religion in the American South (3)
Cross-listed as AMS 5371
Religion in the American South from the colonial period to the present, with emphasis on readings and primary research.

HIS 5388 Independent Study in American History (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Graduate standing and consent of instructor
A tutorial course for M.A. and Ph.D. students in history. The course is designed for intensive study of a period or topic in American history. The student and professor in the student’s field of interest will jointly develop a study program. Students may take as many as five times, provided topics change.

HIS 5390 Archival Research in History (3)
This course prepares advanced graduate students to work as professional historians in the archives, including the mechanics of the archives (applications, finding resources, paleography), grant writing, introduction to digital research, and production of a thesis or dissertation prospectus or chapter based on archival work.

HIS 5391 History Pedagogy (3)
Prepares graduate students to teach world and U.S. history survey courses at the college level, to deal with students effectively, and to enhance their understanding of their calling as teachers of history.

HIS 5393 Seminar in Global History (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Graduate Standing
Global history is defined as the history of the non-western world, including Latin America. The seminar will focus on a Global topic—i.e. Latin America, the Muslim world, Asia, Africa, or any other specific non-western area. The course will consist of readings and research within one of the Global fields of history. May be taken five times provided topics change.

HIS 5V99 Thesis (1-6) hrs.

HIS 6V85 Preliminary Readings (1-6)
Pre-requisite(s): Completion of course work for the Ph.D
Independent readings for Ph.D. preliminary qualifying examinations. Preliminary exams allow a student to move to candidacy. A student may repeat this course up to four times.

HIS 6V99 Dissertation (1-12)
Pre-requisite(s): HIS 6V85 and completion of course work for Ph.D
Supervised research for doctoral dissertation.