



# History, B.A. *major*

A total of 120 semester credits are needed for the **History B.A.** degree and include the following:

- Completion of a minimum of 40 upper division credits (level 3000/4000)
- Completion of all required major credits
- Completion of Core Curriculum credits (Minnesota Transfer Curriculum [MnTC] Goal Areas 1-10 with a minimum of 40 credits) required for all baccalaureate degrees
- Completion of BSU Focus and Nisidotaading Course Requirements

### Dual Degrees

Students wishing to complete two degrees concurrently, (example: Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts) must complete a minimum of an additional 30 credits above the required 120 credits.

### Multiple Credentials

Any additional major, minor or certificate in a degree must have at least 6 credits of course work not used to meet the requirements of another major, minor or certificate in the degree.

Required Credits: 37

Required GPA: 2.50

Note: All History and non-history courses required for major must reflect a letter grade of C- or better.

## I REQUIRED COURSES

Complete three of the following courses:

- HST 1114 United States History to 1865 (3 credits)
- HST 1115 United States History since 1865 (3 credits)
- HST 1304 World History, Prehistory-1500 (3 credits)
- HST 1305 World History, 1500-Present (3 credits)

Complete the following course:

- HST 4000 Historiography (3 credits)

Complete one of the following courses:

- HST 4600 History Portfolio (1 credit)
- HST 4783 Senior Thesis in History (3 credits)

## II REQUIRED ELECTIVES

### A. United States

Select 1 of the following courses:

- HST 3117 American Revolutionary Era, 1763-1800 (3 credits)
- HST 3128 Testing Democracy: Reform in Antebellum America, 1787-1865 (3 credits)
- HST 3137 The American Civil War (3 credits)
- HST 3159 The World at War, 1931-1945 (3 credits)

### B. European

Select 1 of the following courses:

- HST 2219 Medieval European Culture (3 credits)
- HST 2228 Renaissance and Reformation Europe (3 credits)
- HST 3208 Greece and Rome, 1500 BCE-500 CE (3 credits)
- HST 3799 Tudor and Stuart England, 1485-1714 (3 credits)

### C. Non-Western and Indigenous

Select 1 of the following courses:

- HST 2300 History of China (3 credits)
- HST 3459 Latin America (3 credits)
- INST 3307 Ojibwe History (3 credits)

## III OTHER REQUIRED ELECTIVES

Select 15 credits of History or Allied courses as indicated:

a. History courses numbered 3000 or above (minimum of 6 credits)

b. History courses numbered 1000 or above

c. Allied courses from the following list (maximum of 6 credits)

- ENGL 2330 Diverse American Literatures to 1865 (3 credits)
- ENGL 2337 American Literature from 1865 to Present (3 credits)
- ENGL 2340 The American Film (3 credits)
- ENGL 2357 British Literature to 1800 (3 credits)
- ENGL 2358 Diverse British Literatures from 1800 to Present (3 credits)
- ENGL 2370 World Literature to 1600 (3 credits)
- ENGL 2377 World Literature from 1600 to Present (3 credits)
- ENGL 4420 Shakespeare and His Age (3 credits)
- ENGL 4455 Seminar: Literary Criticism and Theory (3 credits)
- INST 2201 Creation to Contact (3 credits)
- INST 2202 Survivance Since Contact (3 credits)
- INST 3170 Indigenous Education (3 credits)
- PHIL 3310 Ancient and Medieval Philosophy (3 credits)
- PHIL 3320 Modern Philosophy (3 credits)
- PHIL 3330 Nineteenth Century Philosophy (3 credits)
- PHIL 3340 Twentieth and Twenty-First Century Philosophy (3 credits)
- POL 3100 American Foreign Policy (3 credits)
- POL 3140 Canadian Politics (3 credits)
- POL 3180 International Law and Organization (3 credits)
- POL 3400 Political Theory (3 credits)
- POL 3410 Legislative and Executive Relations (3 credits)
- PSY 4487 History and Systems of Psychology (4 credits)
- SPAN 4426 Latin American Culture and Civilization (3 credits)
- SPAN 4427 Spanish Culture and Civilization (3 credits)

## Program Learning Outcomes | History, B.A.

1. Introductory Level: Students will identify and explain major historical events, including their sequence and causes. In doing so, they will recognize the diversity and interconnectivity of human experiences across both geography and time.

2. Introductory Level: Students will narrate change over time, both orally and in writing. In doing so, they will accurately interpret both primary and secondary sources to substantiate their accounts of the past. They will also use prose styles and organizational structures in their essays that effectively convey their ideas.

3. Introductory Level: Students will recognize the value of historicization and identify its use in historical scholarship. In other words, they will recognize that historians interpret current issues by evaluating their relationships to past events.

4. Intermediate Level: Students will demonstrate intellectual empathy when assessing the values and choices of past peoples. Intellectual empathy is the recognition that although past peoples held cultural ideals with which we may disagree, the diversity of historical human perspectives is worthy of respect and

of being studied.

5. Intermediate Level: Students will demonstrate the ability to think historically. They will evaluate causation, appraise historical significance, analyze contested interpretations of the past, and defend arguments using historical evidence.

6. Intermediate Level: Students will exhibit the ability to historicize. In other words, they will interpret present-day issues by evaluating their relationships to both past events and the choices of historical actors.

7. Advanced Level: Students will critically engage with historical discourse. Students will evaluate the evidence, theories, assumptions, and methods underlying historians' arguments. In doing so, students will recognize that historians' interpretations have changed over time because they were shaped by the cultures and societies in which the historians lived.

8. Advanced Level: Students will author original research, both by effectively investigating and interpreting primary and secondary-source evidence and by appropriately situating their work within pertinent historiographical debates.

9. Advanced Level: Students will analyze and investigate the applications of historical thinking to multiple careers located either within the field of history education and research or beyond it. Careers that utilize historical thinking include museum and archival curation, cultural resource management, creative writing, publication, law, public policy and advocacy, and other fields that are based on informational research, analysis, and synthesis.