

HISTORY (HIS)**301 Schroeder Hall, (309) 438-5641****History.IllinoisState.edu****Chairperson:** Ross Kennedy**Master's Degree in History Programs Offered**

M.A./M.S. degrees, in history.

Program Requirements

A degree in history requires either a thesis or a non-thesis option.

Master of Arts: Completion of the degree requirements as well as a minimum of two years of study in foreign language at the university level (equivalent of completion of LAN 116) or a satisfactory score on a university administered foreign language test.

Master of Science:**Option I—Thesis:** This 32 hour option requires:

- 4 hours: HIS 496
- 4-6 hours: HIS 499
- 22-24 hours of electives, a minimum of 20 additional hours at the 400 level

Option II—Field of Study: This 39 hour option requires:

- 4 hours: HIS 496
- 4 hours: HIS 497 Research in History or an equivalent research seminar
- 4 hours: HIS 490 Readings-Field of Study; the student will thoroughly explore a field of history under the supervision of a member of the department's faculty. The student's mastery will be assessed in a final examination. Students undertaking this option must receive no less than a grade of B in HIS 490
- 27 hours of electives, a minimum of 20 hours at the 400 level. HIS 497 can count toward the 20 hour minimum

Areas of Specialization in Master's Study

Students are encouraged to focus their studies on some of the distinctive areas of strength in the department's graduate curriculum. These include U.S. history; Modern European history; Medieval or Ancient history; and global history including Latin America, the Middle East and the Far East. Although the program does not have a formal "breadth" requirement, students are also encouraged to look beyond their area of specialization. For example, those focusing on U.S. history should take courses in European and global history, and vice-versa.

Students may take graduate courses in other related disciplines such as art history and visual culture; English; Languages, Literatures, and Cultures; Philosophy; Politics and Government; and Sociology-Anthropology. Up to eight hours of credit from classes in other departments may be used in history master's degree programs provided written permission is received from the history graduate director prior to enrollment and the courses are included on the approved degree audit.

History Courses**306 REGIONAL AND AREA STUDIES****1-9 sem. hrs.**

Intensive study of particular lands, environments, cultures, and peoples. Multiple enrollments allowed if content is different, for maximum of 6 semester hours. Materials charge optional. Prerequisite: Any 200-level HIS course or consent of the instructor.

307 SELECTED TOPICS IN NON-WESTERN HISTORY**3 sem. hrs.**

The study of non-Western history through a topical approach. Topics will vary from semester to semester. Multiple enrollments allowed if content is different, for a maximum of 6 semester hours. Prerequisite: HIS 104 or 200 or consent of the instructor.

308 SELECTED TOPICS IN EUROPEAN HISTORY**3 sem. hrs.**

The study of European history through a topical approach. Topics will vary from semester to semester. May repeat for credit if the content is different. Prerequisites: HIS 101 or 102 or consent of the instructor.

309 SELECTED TOPICS IN UNITED STATES HISTORY**3 sem. hrs.**

This course focuses on a specific topic or era of United States history, emphasizing conflicting interpretations and use of primary sources. Multiple enrollments allowed if the content is different. Prerequisites: HIS 135, 136 or consent of the instructor.

310 NATIVE AMERICAN HISTORY**3 sem. hrs.**

An examination of the major themes and events of Native American history and culture from pre-Columbian times to the present. Prerequisite: HIS 135 or 136, or consent of the instructor.

311 AGE OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**3 sem. hrs.**

The emergence of the United States as an independent nation from 1763 to the Constitutional Convention in 1787.

315 SLAVERY AND THE OLD SOUTH**3 sem. hrs.**

Historiography of slavery and the pre-Civil War South. Prerequisite: HIS 135 or 257 or consent of the instructor.

320 LINCOLN: THE MAN AND HIS TIMES**3 sem. hrs.**

Attention directed especially toward the work of Lincoln in Illinois, his leadership during the Civil War, and his relationship with people and events of his time. Prerequisite: Any 200-level American History course or consent of the instructor.

322 AMERICAN URBAN HISTORY**3 sem. hrs.**

Survey of the history of the American city from the Colonial Era to the present. Prerequisite: One of the following: ECO 238; GEO 204; HIS 200; POL 209; SOC 271; or consent of the instructor.

323 AMERICAN CULTURAL AND INTELLECTUAL HISTORY, 1620-1860**3 sem. hrs.**

American progress in the fine arts, philosophy, literature, and science from Puritan times to 1860. Prerequisite: HIS 135 or consent of the instructor.

324 AMERICAN CULTURAL AND INTELLECTUAL HISTORY, 1860-PRESENT**3 sem. hrs.**

The impact of naturalism, industrialization, secularization, and urbanization upon American culture since 1860. Prerequisite: HIS 136 or consent of the instructor.

328 THE MODERN CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT, 1933 - 1968**3 sem. hrs.**

An examination of the evolution of Afro-Americans' struggle for political, social, and economic equality between 1933 and 1968. Prerequisite: HIS 135 or 136 or consent of the instructor.

330 THE FAMILY IN HISTORY**3 sem. hrs.**

History of the family in Europe and America, viewing the changes from idealist, economic determinist, family systems, and psychoanalytic perspectives. Prerequisite: Any 100- or 200-level History course or consent of the instructor.

335 THE HOLOCAUST: THE EVENT AND ITS AFTERMATH**3 sem. hrs.**

Study of the Holocaust, frequently regarded as the defining event of the 20th century, its pre-history and its aftermath.

336 GENOCIDE STUDIES**3 sem. hrs.**

This course focuses on genocide/mass violence and political, legal, and societal responses to it. Prerequisites: HIS 102 or 107 or consent of the instructor.

337 EUROPEAN HISTORY AND FILM**3 sem. hrs.**

The class investigates representations of European history in international films, emphasizing feature films. Prerequisites: HIS 101 or 102 or 107 or consent of the instructor.

345 FRENCH REVOLUTION AND NAPOLEON: 1789-1815**3 sem. hrs.**

Society, culture, and government under the monarchy; destruction of the old order; rise and fall of Napoleonic France. Prerequisite: HIS 102 or consent of the instructor.

350 WOMEN AND SEXUALITY IN ANCIENT GREECE AND ROME**3 sem. hrs.**

An exploration of sources, methodologies, and debates concerning women, gender, and sexuality in ancient Greece and Rome. Prerequisites: HIS 101 or consent of the instructor.

356 THE ENLIGHTENMENT**3 sem. hrs.**

Intellectual and social history of the western world during the eighteenth century. Prerequisite: HIS 102 or consent of the instructor.

366 SOVIET RUSSIA**3 sem. hrs.**

Study of communist revolution, culture, and dictatorship and its transformation into a contemporary European democracy.

367 GLOBAL CONFLICT 1914-1941**3 sem. hrs.**

Survey of international politics from the First World War to the beginning of World War II.

370 CULTURES OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE IN THE INDIAN OCEAN WORLD**3 sem. hrs.**

The course aims to familiarize students with the global interconnectedness of British colonialism through the study of popular culture. Formerly CULTURES OF EMPIRE: THE BRITISH RAJ IN INDIA.

373 HISTORY OF MODERN CHINA**3 sem. hrs.**

Concentrates on the Western and Chinese collision since the 1800s and the responses of traditional, national, and contemporary China to modernization.

375 HISTORY OF MODERN JAPAN**3 sem. hrs.**

Concentrates on Japan's modernization, goals of Meiji leaders, contradictory tendencies of pre-war Japan, and contemporary Japan.

390 HISTORY-SOCIAL SCIENCE TEACHING METHODOLOGY II**3 sem. hrs.**

History-Social Sciences materials, use of instructional models, and clinical experiences. Must be completed prior to student teaching. Includes clinical experiences. Prerequisites: Grade of C or better in HIS 290 and TCH 216. Admission to Student Teaching.

395 ARCHIVES AND MANUSCRIPTS**3 sem. hrs.**

Nature, acquisition, processing, and use of archives and manuscripts. Emphasis on theory and principles with practical exercises. Prerequisite: Any 200-level HIS course or consent of the instructor.

402 SEMINAR IN EUROPEAN HISTORY**4 sem. hrs.**

Prerequisite: Graduate standing. Multiple enrollments allowed if content is different.

403 SEMINAR: TOPICS IN EARLY MODERN EUROPEAN HISTORY**4 sem. hrs.**

Advanced study of selected topics and geographical regions of Europe from 1450-1789. Multiple enrollments allowed if topic is different.

411 SEMINAR: TOPICS IN EARLY AMERICAN HISTORY**4 sem. hrs.**

Multiple enrollments allowed if content is different. Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

412 SEMINAR: TOPICS IN NINETEENTH-CENTURY UNITED STATES HISTORY**4 sem. hrs.**

Multiple enrollments allowed if content is different. Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

414 SEMINAR: CIVIL WAR AND RECONSTRUCTION**4 sem. hrs.**

Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

417 SEMINAR: TOPICS IN TWENTIETH-CENTURY UNITED STATES HISTORY**4 sem. hrs.**

Multiple enrollments allowed if content is different. Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

421 SEMINAR: TOPICS IN AMERICAN RACIAL AND ETHNIC HISTORY

4 sem. hrs.

Multiple enrollments allowed if content is different.

Prerequisites: HIS 273 or consent of the instructor. Graduate standing.

424 SEMINAR: TOPICS IN AMERICAN CULTURAL AND SOCIAL HISTORY

4 sem. hrs.

Multiple enrollments allowed if content is different.

Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

428 SEMINAR: AMERICAN DIPLOMACY

4 sem. hrs.

Prerequisite: Graduate status.

432 SEMINAR: TOPICS IN LOCAL AND PUBLIC HISTORY

4 sem. hrs.

Multiple enrollments allowed if content is different.

Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

441 SEMINAR: EUROPEAN INTELLECTUAL HISTORY

4 sem. hrs.

Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

468 SEMINAR: MODERN RUSSIA

4 sem. hrs.

Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

478 SEMINAR: TOPICS IN GLOBAL HISTORY

4 sem. hrs.

Advanced study of selected topics in the history of Africa, Asia, indigenous peoples, Latin America, and the Middle East in global context. Multiple enrollments allowed if content is different.

490 READINGS -- FIELD OF STUDY

4 sem. hrs.

Directed readings to be taken in pursuit of the "Field of Study" option for the master's degree in history. Prerequisites: HIS 496; consent of the instructor; prior approval of department Graduate Director.

496 PHILOSOPHY OF HISTORY AND HISTORIOGRAPHY

4 sem. hrs.

Examination of the philosophical bases for historical study with review of the development of historical knowledge and the historical profession. Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

497 RESEARCH IN HISTORY

4 sem. hrs.

Within a topic-based seminar students will study historical methods and write a research paper. Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

498 PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE: PUBLIC/APPLIED HISTORY

1-9 sem. hrs.

Refer to General Courses. Supervised practical experience in a professional capacity in archives, business, government, historic preservation, historical archeology, historical editing, historical society or museum work. Professional practice hours cannot constitute more than 20 percent of the hours applied for degree completion. Prerequisites: Completion of 10 hours of graduate coursework, or consent of the graduate director; completion of application procedures. Graduate standing.

499 MASTER'S THESIS

1-6 sem. hrs.

Refer to General Courses.

499A90 INDEPENDENT RESEARCH FOR THE MASTER'S THESIS FINAL TERM

1-3 sem. hrs.

Refer to General Courses.