HISTORY MAJOR

Students must also complete the Undergraduate Registration Requirement (https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/undergraduate/requirements-policies/undergraduate-registration-requirement/) and the degree requirements of their home school.

The history major enables students to broaden their intellectual horizons as they study the experiences of people in times and places other than their own. Courses are designed to develop the ability to read insightfully, think critically, and write with precision and polish. Students enroll in a range of historical courses as well as develop an area of concentration. Majors are each assigned a faculty adviser with whom they are encouraged to consult frequently.

Students majoring in history select one of five concentrations and may arrange to emphasize special fields within their concentration:

- History of the Americas
- English/European history
- African/Middle Eastern history
- Asian/Middle Eastern history
- Global history

The program for majors consists of 12 graded courses in history, none of which may be substituted by advanced placement credits. These courses, chosen by the student with the adviser, are distributed as follows.

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<td>Research Seminar (should be taken in junior or senior year and need not be within the student's concentration)</td>
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10 additional 200- or 300-level courses:

6 courses in a geographic concentration; see department website for eligible courses. 1 only allowed from:

- HISTORY 101-6 First-Year Seminar–European History
- HISTORY 102-6 First-Year Seminar–American History
- HISTORY 103-6 First-Year Seminar–Non-Western History

4 courses outside the geographic concentration

For global history concentration:

- HISTORY 250-1 Global History: Early Modern to Modern Transition
- HISTORY 250-2 Global History: The Modern World

2 additional global history courses (see department website for eligible courses)

- 6 courses outside global history, either 2 each in three geographic areas or 3 each in 2 geographic areas

At least 2 of the 12 courses must be in fields other than modern European or US history (e.g., courses in European history before 1800 or in African, Asian, Middle Eastern, or Latin American history in any period).

Honors in History

Junior majors with strong academic records and an interest in pursuing honors attend informational sessions during winter quarter. They submit a thesis proposal and a letter of recommendation from a Northwestern history professor by an early spring deadline. Those chosen enroll as seniors in a 3-quarter thesis seminar (HISTORY 398-1, HISTORY 398-2, HISTORY 398-3) and submit a completed thesis in May. All 3 thesis seminar quarters (HISTORY 398-1, HISTORY 398-2, HISTORY 398-3) may count toward the major; see the department for details.

Students whose theses and grades meet department criteria are recommended to the college for graduation with honors. For more information consult the director of undergraduate studies and see Honors in the Major (https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/#academicoptions/text).

History Courses

Introductory Seminars

The following 3 courses are first-year seminars, each limited to 15 undergraduates, which introduce students to modes of historical analysis through the study of various topics in history. Specific subjects will be listed in the Class Schedule. Open to first-year students only.

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Introductory Lecture Courses

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African History Courses

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<td>Background to African Civilization and Culture: Origins to 17th C. and Background to African Civilization and Culture: 16th-19th C. and Background to African Civilization and Culture: 1875-1994</td>
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<td>HISTORY 356-1 &amp; HISTORY 356-2</td>
<td>History of South Africa, Early Times to 1879 and History of South Africa, 20th century</td>
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<td>HISTORY 357-0</td>
<td>East Africa</td>
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Asian History Courses

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<td>HISTORY 284-1 &amp; HISTORY 284-2</td>
<td>Japanese History, Ancient &amp; Medieval, 200-1600 and Japanese History: Tokugawa Period, 1600-1868</td>
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<td>HISTORY 286-0</td>
<td>World War II in Asia</td>
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<td>HISTORY 381-1 &amp; HISTORY 381-2</td>
<td>History of Modern China: Late Imperial China, 1600-1911 and History of Modern China: Twentieth-Century China, 1911-2000</td>
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- Title: Europe in the Medieval and Early Modern World
- Topics:
  - History of Modern Europe
  - Europe in the 20th Century, 1900-1945
  - Gender, War, and Revolution in the 20th Century
  - History of Medieval France: Ancien Regime and the French Revolution
  - History of Modern France: 19th c. to present
  - Middle East from the Empire of Islam to the Ottoman Empire
  - The United States Since 1900: Early 20th C. (1900-1919)
  - The United States Since 1900: Mid-20th C. (1920-1979)
  - The United States Since 1900: Late 20th C. (1980-present)
  - Modern China and the Chinese Communist Revolution

### History 202-1 & 202-2
- Title: Germany Since 1945
- Topics:
  - World War II
  - Cold War
  - The Bundesrepublik

### History 203-1 & 203-2
- Title: Spain 1500-1700: Rise and Fall of a European Empire
- Topics:
  - Spanish Empire
  - Spanish Monarchy

### History 204-1 & 204-2
- Title: Latin America Since 1800
- Topics:
  - Latin America Since 1800
  - Latin America Since 1900: 20th C.

### History 205-1 & 205-2
- Title: Russia and the Soviet Union Since 1917
- Topics:
  - Russian Revolution
  - Cold War
  - Post-Soviet Russia

### History 206-1 & 206-2
- Title: Japan Since 1850
- Topics:
  - Meiji Period
  - Post-WWII

### History 207-1 & 207-2
- Title: India and Pakistan: History of Conflict and Cooperation
- Topics:
  - Partition of India
  - Pakistan

### History 208-1 & 208-2
- Title: South Africa Since the 19th C.: A History of the Making of the Modern World
- Topics:
  - Apartheid
  - Post-Apartheid

### History 209-1 & 209-2
- Title: Argentina Since 1850
- Topics:
  - Independence
  - Revolution

### History 210-1 & 210-2
- Title: Brazil Since 1822
- Topics:
  - Independence
  - Military Dictatorship

### History 211-1 & 211-2
- Title: Mexico Since 1821
- Topics:
  - Independence
  - Revolution

### History 212-1 & 212-2
- Title: United States Since 1945
- Topics:
  - Cold War
  - Post-WWII

### History 213-1 & 213-2
- Title: United States Since 1865
- Topics:
  - Civil War
  - Reconstruction

### History 214-1 & 214-2
- Title: The Sixties
- Topics:
  - Civil Rights
  - Vietnam

### History 215-1 & 215-2
- Title: American Social History
- Topics:
  - Gender, Race, and Class

### History 216-1 & 216-2
- Title: Latin American History
- Topics:
  - Modern Latin America

### History 217-1 & 217-2
- Title: European History
- Topics:
  - Europe in the Modern World
  - Medieval Europe

### History 218-1 & 218-2
- Title: History of Western Civilization
- Topics:
  - Ancient Greece
  - Rome

### History 219-1 & 219-2
- Title: History of the United States
- Topics:
  - Pre-Civil War
  - Civil War

### History 220-1 & 220-2
- Title: Ancient Greece
- Topics:
  - Prehistoric Greece
  - Archaic Greece

### History 221-1 & 221-2
- Title: Latin America in the Colonial Period
- Topics:
  - Spanish Colonial
  - Portuguese Colonial

### History 222-1 & 222-2
- Title: History of the United States
- Topics:
  - Early America
  - Revolution

### History 223-1 & 223-2
- Title: Latin American History
- Topics:
  - Modern Latin America

### History 224-1 & 224-2
- Title: European History
- Topics:
  - Medieval Europe

### History 225-1 & 225-2
- Title: History of the United States
- Topics:
  - Pre-Civil War
  - Civil War

### History 226-1 & 226-2
- Title: Latin American History
- Topics:
  - Modern Latin America

### History 227-1 & 227-2
- Title: European History
- Topics:
  - Medieval Europe

### History 228-1 & 228-2
- Title: History of the United States
- Topics:
  - Pre-Civil War
  - Civil War

### History 229-1 & 229-2
- Title: Latin American History
- Topics:
  - Modern Latin America

### History 230-1 & 230-2
- Title: European History
- Topics:
  - Medieval Europe

### History 231-1 & 231-2
- Title: History of the United States
- Topics:
  - Pre-Civil War
  - Civil War

### History 232-1 & 232-2
- Title: Latin American History
- Topics:
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### History 233-1 & 233-2
- Title: European History
- Topics:
  - Medieval Europe

### History 234-1 & 234-2
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- Topics:
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  - Civil War

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- Title: Latin American History
- Topics:
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### History 236-1 & 236-2
- Title: European History
- Topics:
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### History 237-1 & 237-2
- Title: History of the United States
- Topics:
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**History Courses in Other Departments**

A history major may take no more than 2 courses listed below to satisfy the 12-course history requirement.

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