

Department of History

Requirements for the Major in History

Students pursuing an undergraduate degree in History should use this worksheet to plan their course of study.

All students majoring in History are expected to consult regularly with an academic advisor.

For more information on advising in history, consult www.pdx.edu/history or call 503-725-3917.

HST 300: Historical Imagination	<u>HST 300</u> 4 cred
This course is required of all majors, and is a prerequisite for all reading semin	ar and research seminar courses (see below).
HST 490: Comparative World History	<u>HST 490</u> 4 cred
This course is required of all majors.	
Multiple sections of this course are offered throughout the academic year, una	ler different topics of focus.
HST 491: Reading Seminar and HST 492: Research Seminar	<u>HST 491</u> 4 cred
All majors must complete a two-term sequence of a reading seminar	UST 402 4
and research seminar within a single subject area.	<u>HST 492</u> 4 cred
Multiple sections of these courses are offered throughout the academic year, under different topics of focus.	
Additional/Elective courses:	
Remaining coursework may be satisfied by electives in History, subject to the f	following distribution requirements:
Students must complete a minimum of 8 credits of upper-division	Upper div elective4 cred
(300-level and above) coursework in the history of the United States, Canada,	
and/or Western Europe (including Russia).	Upper div elective4 cred
Students must complete a minimum of 8 credits of upper-division	Upper div elective4 cred
(300-level and above) coursework in the history of Africa, East Asia,	
West Asia/Middle East, and/or Mexico/Latin America.	Upper div elective4 cred
Students may count a maximum of 20 credits	Lower (or upper) div elective4 cred
of lower-division (100- or 200-level) history courses towards the major.	Lower (or upper) div elective4 cred
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An additional 8 elective credits in history must be taken at the 400-level.	400-level elective4 cred
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A total of at least 60 credits is required for the undergraduate degree in Histor	
All courses must be graded A through F (pass/no pass option is not acceptable)
and all courses must be passed with a grade of C- or higher.	total must be at least 60 cred

Transfer students: A minimum of 32 credits in History must be taken in residence at Portland State University.

Honors in History Option: Students interested in pursuing the Honors in History Option should contact Prof. Tom Luckett (luckettt@pdx.edu) or consult the History Department website (<u>www.pdx.edu/history</u>) for more information.



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Required courses:

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HST 300:

Historical Imagination

An introduction to the study of history -- the basics of research and writing, and an examination of historical writing: its relationship to the time and place of its origin, and the emergence of the ideas, consciousness, and canons of scholarship which shaped it.

HST 490:

Comparative World History

A comparative examination of important themes in world history.

HST 491: Reading Seminar HST 492: Research Seminar

A two-term sequence of a reading seminar, where students read, review, and discuss the significant books and articles in a specific historical field, and a research seminar, where students will produce a research paper on a topic within that field.

Additional/Elective courses:

Remaining coursework may be satisfied by electives in History, subject to the following distribution requirements:

Lower Division:

Students may count a maximum of 20 credits of lower-division (100- or 200-level) history courses towards the major.

Upper Division (300-level):

Students must complete a minimum of 8 credits of upper-division coursework in the history of the United States, Canada, and/or Western Europe (including Russia), and another 8 credits of upper-division coursework in the history of Africa, East Asia, West Asia/Middle East, and/or Mexico/Latin America.

Upper Division (400-level):

An additional 8 elective credits in history must be taken at the 400-level.

A total of at least 60 credits is required for the undergraduate degree in History.

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