DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

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The Graduate Program in History at The University of Toledo is committed, first and foremost, to the values and priorities of liberal arts education: fostering critical analysis and the skills of written and oral communication; the pursuit of knowledge as an organic and expansive universe of possibilities; a respect for diversity and difference, including difference of opinion; and the continuing relevance of the humanities as the search for and understanding of the human experience. Graduates from the history program have gone on to successful careers in academia, the private sector, and public venues such as museums and historical societies.

Degrees Offered

- M.A. in History (https://catalog.utoledo.edu/graduate/arts-letters/ departments-schools/history/ma-history/)
- PhD in History (https://catalog.utoledo.edu/graduate/arts-letters/ departments-schools/history/phd-history/)

HIST 5010 Greek History

[3 credit hours]

Selected topics on the political and social institutions of Greece in the classical and Hellenistic periods.

Term Offered: Fall

HIST 5020 Roman History

[3 credit hours]

Selected topics on the political and social institutions of Rome during the Republic and Empire.

Term Offered: Spring

HIST 5030 Europe In The 14th-15th Centuries

[3 credit hours]

The waning of the Middle Ages and the development of the Renaissance in Western Europe with emphasis on Italy.

HIST 5060 Age Of Absolutism

[3 credit hours]

The growth and decline of the absolute monarchies in Europe and the development of a world market economy, c. 1550-1715.

HIST 5080 Age Of Revolution

[4 credit hours]

The age of the French Revolution and Napoleon, c. 1785-1848.

HIST 5100 Europe Since World War I

[3 credit hours]

Internal and international development of the major European states from World War I to the end of the twentieth century.

HIST 5150 Critics Of Victorian Society

[3 credit hours]

Principal critics of society like Ruskin, Carlyle, Cobbett, Marx, Engels, Morris and Mill are read with a view to understanding capitalism, industrialism and England.

HIST 5170 The British Empire: For And Against

[3 credit hours]

The emergence of England as a maritime power, as an empire, and as a financial force, with emphasis upon resistances and decolonization.

Term Offered: Fall

HIST 5200 Colonial Foundations Of The U.s.

[3 credit hours]

This course analyzes the colonial experience of the United States prior to 1763. It stresses the various cultures and social groups in America and how they related with one another.

HIST 5220 The American Revolution

[3 credit hours]

The background and progress of the War for Independence.

Term Offered: Spring, Fall

HIST 5230 United States Early Republic

[3 credit hours]

American politics and culture from the Federalist period to the Mexican - American War, 1789-1848.

Term Offered: Spring

HIST 5240 The Age Of Jackson

[3 credit hours]

Jacksonian democracy in politics and as a reform movement; the sectional controversy; the Mexican-American War.

HIST 5250 Civil War And Reconstruction

[3 credit hours]

Slavery and the Constitution in the sectional controversy, the political and military events of the Civil War, and the impact of the war on American society. 1848-1876.

Term Offered: Fall

HIST 5260 Emergence Of Modern America, 1876-1919

[3 credit hours]

American society in the late 19th and early 20th centuries, including industrialization, urbanization, immigration, agrarian and labor revolts, politics, economic expansion, overseas initiatives, Progressive reform and involvement in World War I.

Term Offered: Spring

HIST 5270 20th Century America, 1920-1945

[3 credit hours]

Social, political and economic development of the United States, 1920-1945. The Republican ascendancy, the car culture, Great Depression, New Deal and World War II.

Term Offered: Fall

HIST 5280 U.s. Since 1945: Affluence And Anxiety

[3 credit hours]

Social, economic and political development of the United States since 1945. The Cold War, McCarthyism, Eisenhower Equilibrium, the New Frontier and the Great Society, civil rights, Watergate and the Reagan Revolution.

Term Offered: Fall

HIST 5310 History Of Native American Religious Movements

[3 credit hours]

History of Native American revitalization movements as a response to European colonization and Indian dispossession.



HIST 5330 Western American Indians

[3 credit hours]

Native Americans of the Far West from prehistoric times through recent years. Emphasis on European contact and governmental policies.

Term Offered: Spring

HIST 5340 Far Western Frontier

[3 credit hours]

Native Americans; Spanish conquistadors and missionaries; American scientific and military exploration; mountain men and fur trade; international rivalries and Mexican War; gold rush of '49.

HIST 5360 American Intellectual History I

[3 credit hours]

Development and influence of major ideas from the colonial period to 1865. Topics include Puritanism, the Enlightenment, Democracy and Transcendentalism.

Term Offered: Spring

HIST 5370 American Intellectual History II

[3 credit hours]

Major developments in American thought from 1865, including Social Darwinism, pragmatism, ideological conflict, modern science, education.

Term Offered: Spring

HIST 5430 Slavery In America

[3 credit hours]

Stresses the African continuum among slaves within the context of variations in goals and policies of slaveowners, slave trade, slave economics, demographics, slave labor and formation of slave culture.

Term Offered: Spring, Summer

HIST 5450 United States and Latin America

[3 credit hours]

HIST 5460 Women In American History

[3 credit hours]

This course presents American history from early settlement to the present by examining the contributions of women, in interaction with men, to the immensely complex fabric of American life.

HIST 5470 Mexico

[3 credit hours]

Mexican history from pre-Hispanic times to the present. Emphasis on the political, social and economic changes imposed by the Spaniards; the legacy of colonialism on the modern nation; the Mexican Revolution and the "Mexican Miracle."

Term Offered: Summer, Fall

HIST 5480 American Labor And Working Class History

[3 credit hours]

Development of working class communities, cultures, organizations and ideology from colonial era to the present. Topics include industrialization, unionization, labor law, gender and race constructions.

HIST 5490 Witchcraft And Magic In Medieval And Early Modern Europe [3 credit hours]

Witchcraft, religion and magic in western Europe from the 12th through 17th centuries, focusing on the origins of witchcraft belief, diabolical magic, the witchcraze and its decline.

Term Offered: Spring, Fall

HIST 5530 History Of The Middle East Since 1500

[3 credit hours]

History of the Middle East from the collapse of the Medieval Muslim States and the rise of the Ottoman Empire in the 16th century through the period of European intervention to the development of independent Middle Eastern States in the 20th century.

Term Offered: Spring, Fall

HIST 5620 Central Europe

[3 credit hours]

Central Europe from medieval times to the present. The Habsburg Empire, Poland, the Balkans, twentieth-century changes.

HIST 5660 Imperial Russia, 1700-1917

[3 credit hours]

Rise and fall of the Russian Empire. Politics and society from the time of Peter the Great to the 1917 Revolution.

HIST 5680 20th Century Russia

[3 credit hours]

Russia from the 1917 Revolution to the present. Topics include Marxism, Communism, Stalinism, Cold War.

HIST 5720 Modern Chinese History

[3 credit hours]

China in transition under the impact of the West; forces leading to the revolution of 1911, the Nationalists' struggle, the emergence of the People's Republic of China and aspects of post-revolutionary China.

Term Offered: Spring

HIST 5740 Modern Japanese History

[3 credit hours]

Japan in transition under Western influence, forces leading to the Meiji Restoration, the modernization of Japan, Japan's rise as a world power, war and postwar developments.

Term Offered: Spring

HIST 5750 Europe And Asia: Exploration And Exchange, 1415-1800

[3 credit hours]

Motivation and process of European expansion to Africa and Asia from 1415-1800.

HIST 5790 The Holocaust

[3 credit hours]

This advanced course deals with selected aspects of the history and memory of Nazi genocide against the Jews of Europe, with special emphasis on visual and survivor sources.

Term Offered: Spring

HIST 5830 Theory Of Public History

[3 credit hours]

The definition, philosophy and evolution of public history as well as the current literature and debates within the field. Public history is the application of historical knowledge and methodology beyond academe.

HIST 5840 Public History Practicum

[3 credit hours]

Course provides students with hands-on experience in the practice of public history by completing a project using specialized techniques, client-oriented research and teamwork. May be repeated for credit.



HIST 5940 Public History Internship

[2-4 credit hours]

Supervised practical experience in the field of public history.

Term Offered: Fall

HIST 5980 Special Topics

[1-4 credit hours]

Topics selected by various instructors.

Term Offered: Spring, Fall

HIST 6600 Historiography

[3 credit hours]

The nature of historical writing. Concepts of the historical method. The history of the writing of history from the beginning to the present.

Term Offered: Spring, Fall

HIST 6930 Seminar

[3 credit hours]

Focus on primary research and writing in various fields: 01: 17th and 18th century America, 05: 19th century America, 06: American Urban, 07: American West, 08: American Intellectual, 10: Local History, 11: American Labor, 12: American Foreign Relations, 15: 20th century America, 16: Public History, 17: U. S. Bibliography to 1865, 18: U. S. Bibliography since 1865, 35: Latin America, 39: Ancient, 40: Medieval Europe, 45: Early Modern Europe, 50: Modern Europe, 55: Central Europe and Balkans, 60: England, 65: British Empire, 70: Russia, 75: Modern East Asia, 80: Africa, 90: Special Topics

Term Offered: Spring, Fall

HIST 6950 Workshops

[3 credit hours]

Introduction to essential pedagogical and academic skills including survey class design: syllabi, lectures, history writing, theses and prospectuses. And professional skills: constructing a CV, letter of introduction, teaching philosophy, and grant proposals.

Term Offered: Fall

HIST 6960 Thesis

[1-16 credit hours]

M.A. thesis topic to be selected by the student with the approval of the thesis adviser.

Term Offered: Spring, Summer, Fall

HIST 6990 Independent Study

[1-4 credit hours]

Readings: 01: 17th and 18th Century America, 05: 19th Century America, 06: American Urban, 07: American West, 08: American Intellectual, 10: Local History, 11: American Labor, 12: American Foreign Relations, 13: Public History, 15: 20th Century America, 16: Business, 17: Peace Movements, 18: Social, 35: Latin America, 40: Medieval Europe, 41: Renaissance and Reformation, 45: Early Modern Europe, 50: Modern Europe, 55: Central Europe and Balkans, 60: England, 65: British Empire, 70: Russia, 75: Modern East Asia, 80: Ancient Greece, 90: Ancient Rome, 92: Africa, 99: Any Title

Term Offered: Spring, Summer, Fall

HIST 7980 Special Topics

[1-4 credit hours]

Study of secondary and primary sources in various fields: 01: Colonial and Revolutionary, 02: 19th century America, 03: 20th century America, 04: American South, 05: American West, 06: American Intellectual, 07: American Foreign Relations, 08: American Constitutional, 09: American Labor, 10: American Urban, 11: American Social, 12: American Urban Progressive Reform, 13: Public History, 16: American Business, 17: Peace Movements, 18: Ethnic, 19: Ancient, 20: Medieval Europe, 21: Renaissance and Reformation, 22: Europe, 1648-1815, 23: Europe, 1815-present, 24: Russia, 25: Great Britain, 26: Traditional East Asia to 1800, 27: Modern East Asia, 1800 to present, 28: Latin America, 29: Middle East, 30: Africa, 99: Any Title

Term Offered: Fall

HIST 8600 Historiography

[3 credit hours]

The nature of historical writing. Concepts of the historical method. The history of the writing of history from the beginning to the present.

Term Offered: Spring, Fall

HIST 8930 Seminar

[3 credit hours]

Focus on primary research and writing in various fields: 01: 17th and 18th century America, 05: 19th century America, 06: American Urban, 07: American West, 08: American Intellectual, 10: Local History, 11: American Labor, 12: American Foreign Relations, 15: 20th century America, 16: Public History, 17: U. S. Bibliography to 1865, 18: U. S. Bibliography since 1865, 35: Latin America, 39: Ancient, 40: Medieval Europe, 45: Early Modern Europe, 50: Modern Europe, 55: Central Europe and Balkans, 60: England, 65: British Empire, 70: Russia, 75: Modern East Asia, 80: Africa, 90: Special Topics

Term Offered: Spring, Fall

HIST 8950 Workshops

[3 credit hours]

Introduction to essential pedagogical and academic skills including survey class design: syllabi, lectures, history writing, theses and prospectuses. And professional skills: constructing a CV, letter of introduction, teaching philosophy, and grant proposals.

Term Offered: Fall

HIST 8960 Dissertation

[1-16 credit hours]

Ph.D. dissertation topic to be selected by the student with the approval of the dissertation adviser.

Term Offered: Spring, Summer, Fall

HIST 8990 Independent Study

[1-4 credit hours]

Readings: 01: 17th and 18th Century America, 05: 19th Century America, 06: American Urban, 07: American West, 08: American Intellectual, 10: Local History, 11: American Labor, 12: American Foreign Relations, 13: Public History, 15: 20th Century America, 16: Business, 17: Peace Movements, 18: Social, 35: Latin America, 40: Medieval Europe, 41: Renaissance and Reformation, 45: Early Modern Europe, 50: Modern Europe, 55: Central Europe and Balkans, 60: England, 65: British Empire, 70: Russia, 75: Modern East Asia, 80: Ancient Greece, 90: Ancient Rome, 92: Africa, 99: Any Title

Term Offered: Spring, Summer, Fall

