

HISTORY (HY)

HY 400 Europe in the High Middle Ages: Renaissance and Reformation, 1300-1648 (3)

Prerequisites for Undergraduate: HY 101 and 102. Prerequisite for Graduate: None. European society as seen through its philosophy, religion, literature, and politics.

HY 401 Ancient Greece (3)

Prerequisite(s): HY 101 or HY 111 or instructor approval.

This course focuses on the history of ancient Greece, beginning with the prehistoric Mycenaean civilization, and ending with the death of Alexander the Great. Special attention will be given to the Classical Period, dominated by the Peloponnesian War between Athens and Sparta.

HY 403 Ancient Rome (3)

Prerequisite(s): HY 101 or HY 111 or instructor approval.

This course surveys the history of Rome from its founding to its fall, beginning with the first settlements in what would later be the city center of Rome ca. 1000 BCE, and ending with the collapse of the Empire in the West in 476 CE.

HY 407 Warfare in the Ancient World (3)

Prerequisite for Undergraduate: HY 101 or permission of instructor.

Prerequisite for Graduate: None. This course examines warfare and the military history of the ancient world, including but not limited to Greece, Macedonia, the Roman Republic, and the Roman Empire.

HY 411 War and Peace in Modern Europe (3)

Prerequisite(s): HY 102.

A survey of the military and diplomatic history of Europe from the Peace of Westphalia to the end of the Second World War.

HY 412 War and Memory (3)

Prerequisite(s): HY 101 and HY 102; or HY 103 and HY 104; or HY 111 and HY 112; or HY 201 and HY 202; or HY 203 and HY 204.

An exploration of war, human conflict, and organized violence, and how nations, communities, and individuals remember and memorialize them with an emphasis on the public history aspects.

HY 420 Modern China (3)

Prerequisite(s): HY 112 or instructor approval.

This course will explore historical themes in modern China from the last decades of the Qing Dynasty through the present, including a study of the challenging political and social atmospheres.

HY 421 Public History (3)

Prerequisite for Undergraduate: 3 hours of HY or permission of instructor.

Prerequisite for Graduate: None. This course examines the work of public history, including but not limited to, archival management, museum exhibition production, historic preservation, cultural resources management, historical interpretation, and the role of the public intellectual.

HY 422 Oral History (3)

Prerequisite for Undergraduate: 3 hours of history or permission of instructor. Prerequisite for Graduate: None. This course will introduce students to the methods and theory of oral history. The course includes the preparation of oral history projects and evaluation of oral narratives.

HY 423 Historical Bollywood (3)

Prerequisite(s): HY 102 or HY 112 or instructor approval.

This class will explore the ways in which significant historical events are commemorated in Indian cinema. Several key points in nation's history will be studied by conventional methods and subsequently re-studied through watching Bollywood productions.

HY 424 Byzantine Empire (3)

Prerequisite(s): HY 101 and HY 102, or HY 111 and HY 112, and permission of the instructor.

This course will trace the main events of Byzantine history (330 –1453) chronologically and will discuss a number of specific topics such as the political organization of Byzantium, international relations, society, economy, and culture.

HY 433 American Social and Cultural History to 1865 (3)

Prerequisites for Undergraduate: HY 201 and 202. Prerequisite for Graduate: None. American society through its literature, religion, philosophy, and arts. Emphasis upon immigration strains, European cultural transfer, and environmental adaptations which have formed the American character. Wide opportunities for reading offered in religion, philosophy, literature, and the arts.

HY 434 American Social and Cultural History Since 1865 (3)

Prerequisites for Undergraduate: HY 202 or approval of instructor. Prerequisite for Graduate: None. This course will evaluate shifting immigration origins. Concentrated study will be given to the changing thought patterns which have resulted from Darwinism, the rise of Big Business, theories of the public interest, Pragmatism, and the emergence of the United States as a world power.

HY 436 History of American Women (3)

Prerequisites for Undergraduate: HY 201 and 202. Prerequisite for Graduate: None. A survey of the history of women from the colonial period to the present with emphasis upon social, economic, political, and educational developments.

HY 437 Black America (3)

Prerequisites for Undergraduate: HY 201 and 202. Prerequisite for Graduate: None. Blacks in the U.S. from colonial times to the present; events of the twentieth-century and the integral social relations between blacks and whites will be emphasized.

HY 441 The South Before 1865 (3)

Prerequisites for Undergraduate: HY 201 and 202. Prerequisite for Graduate: None. Pre-colonial civilization through the Civil War. The colonization and the economic, political, social, and cultural development of the Old South and its part in building the nation.

HY 442 The South Since 1860 (3)

Prerequisites for Undergraduate: HY 201, 202, and 441 or approval of instructor. Prerequisite for Graduate: None. The issues which led to secession; the War Between the States; the economic, political, and social results; recent tendencies and developments.

HY 443 Introduction to Southern Culture (3)

Prerequisites for Undergraduate: HY 201 and 202. Prerequisite for Graduate: None. The study of the historic roots of regional culture that will integrate topics such as the "Cult of the Lost Cause," religion, folk life, music, literature, and the transition from a rural/agricultural society to an urban/commercial/industrial one.

HY 446 American Indian History to 1840 (3)

Prerequisite(s): HY 201.

This course is a survey of Native American history in what becomes the United States from the pre-colonial period through 1840. Particular attention will be paid to regional cultures, the impact of European contact, Native-US government relations, and the consequences of removal.

HY 447 American Indian History 1840-Present (3)

Prerequisite(s): HY 202.

This course is a survey of Native American history in what becomes the United States from 1840 through the present day. Particular attention will be paid to Native-US government relations, the impact of the reservation and assimilation programs, and modern rights issues.

HY 448 History of the American West (3)

Prerequisites for Undergraduate: HY 201 and 202. Prerequisite for Graduate: None. Significance of the frontier in American History; colonization of successive geographic areas; the West in indigenous peoples and ethnic minorities, public lands; and crisis resulting from expansion.

HY 451 History of Early America to 1783 (3)

Prerequisites for Undergraduate: HY 201 and 202. Prerequisite for Graduate: None. European background to exploration; exploration and settlement; the Inter-Colonial Wars; the political, social, economic, and cultural developments within the colonies.

HY 452 The Age of Jefferson and Jackson, 1783 to 1850 (3)

Prerequisites for Undergraduate: HY 201 and 202. Prerequisite for Graduate: None. The development of the American Republic from the end of the American Revolution until the Compromise of 1850, with special emphasis on the influence that Jefferson and Jackson had on the evolution of democratic attitudes and institutions.

HY 454 The Beginning of Modern America, 1877-1914 (3)

Prerequisites for Undergraduate: HY 201 and 202. Prerequisite for Graduate: None. Description and evaluation of the shift of the United States from an agrarian to an industrial nation; the heritage of Civil War and Reconstruction; the rise of the Great Moguls; mass production and technological change; the rise of labor union movements and organized farm protests; the Spanish-American War; and American involvement in World War I.

HY 455 The 1920's and the Great Depression (3)

Prerequisites for Undergraduate: HY 201 and 202. Prerequisite for Graduate: None. A detailed study of American political, diplomatic, and cultural history from President Woodrow Wilson through Franklin D. Roosevelt.

HY 456 Contemporary America, 1945-Present (3)

Prerequisites for Undergraduate: HY 201 and 202. Prerequisite for Graduate: None. A detailed study of American political, diplomatic, and cultural history since the end of the World War II. Part of this course will be devoted to the study of current events.

HY 457 Race, Community, and Memory (3)

Prerequisite(s): HY 101 and HY 102; or HY 103 and HY 104; or HY 111 and HY 112; or HY 201 and HY 202; or HY 203 and HY 204.

Students will explore how race has been used as a concept to both remember and erase history in a broader historical context.

HY 459 The American Civil War in Film (3)

Prerequisite for Undergraduate: HY 201 or permission of instructor. Prerequisite for Graduate: None. This course will explore how the Civil War has been remembered by Hollywood, how it can differ from the historical record, and how films often reflect the social and political sensibilities of their respective time period.

HY 465 The British Empire and Commonwealth (3)

Prerequisites for Undergraduate: HY 101 and 102. Prerequisite for Graduate: None. Growth and development of the British Empire, with emphasis on the factors leading to the Commonwealth of Nations. Not open to Graduate students who have completed HY 305.

HY 468 Constitutional History of England (3)

Prerequisites for Undergraduate: HY 101 and 102. Prerequisite for Graduate: None. Growth of common law, the court system, and the cabinet form of government from the earliest times to the present. Not open to Graduate students who have completed HY 308.

HY 475 Modern Japan (3)

Prerequisite(s): HY 102 or HY 112 or instructor permission.

This course will explore modern Japanese history from Commodore Perry's arrival in 1853 to the 2011 crisis of earthquake, tsunami, and nuclear disaster, from both a political and social perspective.

HY 476 Eastern (Asian) Civilizations (3)

Prerequisite for Undergraduate: HY 102 or permission of instructor.

Prerequisite for Graduate: None. An examination of major Asian civilizations from the sixteenth century to the present, including those in China, India, Korea, Japan, and Vietnam. Special focus on religion, culture, economics, political structures, and international relations, both within Asia and with the West.

HY 477 Asian American History (3)

Prerequisite for Undergraduate: HY 202 or permission of instructor.

Prerequisite for Graduate: None. This course explores the experiences of Asian Americans from the mid-nineteenth century to the present.

It examines the rich diversity of the Asian American community and considers how events within the U.S. and outside of it have shaped the lives of their community.

HY 480 Colonial Latin America (3)

Prerequisite for Undergraduate: Sophomore standing or above or with permission of the instructor. Prerequisite for Graduate: None. The interaction of Native American, European, and African people in the Spanish and Portuguese empires of the Americas, concluding with the wars for independence.

HY 481 Modern Latin America (3)

Prerequisite for Undergraduate: HY 102 or 202 or approval of the instructor. Prerequisite for Graduate: None. An examination of the political, economic, social, and cultural developments of the diverse Latin American nations since 1821, against a backdrop of tradition, reform, and revolution.

HY 483 United States-Latin American Relations (3)

Prerequisite for Undergraduate: Sophomore standing or above or with permission of the instructor. Prerequisite for Graduate: None. A survey of the diplomatic, economic, and cultural relations between the United States and the Latin American Republics from 1810 to the present.

HY 485 History of Mexico (3)

Prerequisite for Undergraduate: Sophomore standing or above or with permission of the instructor. Prerequisite for Graduate: None. A study of Mexico's past including pre-Columbian civilizations, the Spanish Conquest and Colonial period, the independence movement and the early republic, the struggle for nationhood, the modernization of Mexico with a special emphasis on the Mexican Revolution and the forces that shaped present day Mexico.

HY 487 History of Brazil (3)

Prerequisite for Undergraduate: Sophomore standing or above or with permission of the instructor. Prerequisite for Graduate: None. A survey of Brazil's history from 1500 until the present with an emphasis on the Empire of Brazil 1822-1889 and modern Brazil, 1889 to present.

HY 490 History of Religions (3)

(3): An introduction to the theory of Religious History and the study of the history and practices of the five dominant world religions using resources from within those traditions.

HY 500 Special Problems (3)

Directed readings or research project agreed to among student, instructor and head of the History Department.

HY 501 Historiography and Historical Methods (3)

Techniques of historical research, nature of history, theories of historical interpretation, and intensive study of controversies in history.

HY 504 Modern European History (3)

Major themes of European history from the seventeenth to the twentieth centuries including survey of relevant literature and interpretations.

HY 510 American Foreign Policy to 1921 (3)

Foundations of American foreign policy. Not open to those taking credit for PSC 421G.

HY 511 Teaching College History (3)

This course will cover the practical and pedagogical knowledge necessary to successfully design, manage and teach a college-level history course.

HY 515 Contemporary Latin America (3)

A study of the political, economic, social, and cultural trends of the nations of Latin America from the end of World War II to the present.

HY 519 Comparative Frontiers (3)

The frontier experience had a defining influence on the development of the nations, their people, and culture. This graduate-level seminar course will compare frontiers and their effect around the world including the United States, Canada, South America, Australia, southern Africa, Asia, and Europe.

HY 533 American Social and Intellectual History to 1865 (3)

Seminar in the intellectual and cultural sources that went into the making of the American tradition, particularly the influences on the Founders' generation.

HY 534 American Social and Intellectual History from 1865 (3)

Effect of the Industrial Revolution and urbanization of America on society and thought patterns in the U.S. as seen in the end of "American innocence" and the search for security in a changed America and a constantly changing world.

HY 535 Contemporary American Women (3)

This course will trace the evolution of women's societal, economic and political roles in the United States from the "Age of Association" in the mid-nineteenth century through the modern period. By the end of the course, we will have answered the question of whether "we've come a long way, Baby!" or not.

HY 537 Contemporary Black America (3)

The African-American experience from the Civil War to the present, focusing on the creation of segregation, resistance to discrimination and the Civil Rights movement. The influence of African-American culture on the larger American society will receive special attention.

HY 539 Topics in Native American History (3)

A seminar which explores a number of issues within the field of Native American history, including, but not limited to, land rights, violence and genocide, education, mascots, and culture regions.

HY 540 Seminar in American Capitalism (3)

This course will be a broad-based study in the history of American capitalism from the early evolution of a market economy, the rise of industrialism, and through the ascendance of American consumerism. Although the narrative of American enterprise forms the basic course structure, we will also examine the social, cultural, and political impact of capitalism.

HY 541 History of American Advertising (3)

From the birth of the advertising industry at the end of the nineteenth century to the guerilla marketing and online pop-up ads of today, commercial messages are an integral part of American life and culture. In this course, students will examine the history of advertising and the important role it played in the development of mass culture in the United States.

HY 543 History of Alabama (3)

The history Alabama from the era of settlement to the present. This class is cross-listed with HY 444 and may not be taken for graduate credit if HY 444 was taken for undergraduate.

HY 551 The South in the Nineteenth Century (3)

Study of major economic, political, sociological, racial, cultural, and intellectual developments during the century.

HY 553 Civil War and Reconstruction, 1860-1877 (3)

Causes of the Civil War and political, social, economic, and military aspects of its conduct; examination of various interpretations of the Reconstruction period, regional and national.

HY 554 Early Twentieth-Century History, 1900-1932 (3)

Closing aspects of Spanish-American War, emergence of an imperial power; Theodore Roosevelt's Square Deal, 1901-1909; Imperialism and Dollar Diplomacy, 1901-1913; Taft and the Progressives; Woodrow Wilson and the New Freedom, 1913-1917; World War I and its aftermath, 1917-1929; restoration of the G.O.P.; hope for a new economic era; Hoover and the Depression, 1929-1932; election of 1932.

HY 555 Hollywood's America: The Construction of American History and Culture in Hollywood Films (3)

This course explores the ways in which popular Hollywood films construct the historical past, the ensuing battles among historians and the public over Hollywood's version of American history, and the ways that such films can be utilized as historical documents themselves.

HY 560 The French Revolution and Napoleon (3)

Economic, social, political, military, and diplomatic aspects of years 1789-1815, with emphasis on France as the moving force of the period.

HY 561 Napoleon and Europe (3)

This seminar examines the life and career of Napoleon Bonaparte as a shaping force in European history. It will focus on his abilities as a French Revolutionary and as inheritor of France's war machine. The course will examine his rise and ultimate defeat, and his affect on the course of European history.

HY 562 Diplomatic History of Europe, 1815-1914 (3)

International relations of European states in 19th century, with emphasis on the Congress System, Eastern Question, Bismarckian System, and pre-War balance of power.

HY 566 Seminar in the European Reformation (3)

A historical and historiographical overview of the Reformation period, encompassing pre-Reformation, Luther, Calvin, and the Counter Reformation.

HY 567 Europe since 1939 (3)

Political analysis of development of individual states within framework of East-West conflict and economic competition and cooperation.

HY 568 The South in the Twentieth Century (3)

Study of major economic, political, sociological, racial, cultural, and intellectual developments since the turn of the century.

HY 570 Modern Far East History (3)

Survey of Modern Far Eastern history with emphasis on China and Japan.

HY 571 Study Away (3)

Topics, excursions, and requirements determined by department. May be duplicated for credit for a maximum of 6 hours. Infrequently scheduled and subject to minimum and maximum hours. Advance deposit required. Grades: Pass/Fail.

HY 576 Tudor England (3)

England's emergence as a modern state, 1485-1603; constitutional, economic, social, and intellectual developments during the Renaissance and Reformation.

HY 577 Stuart England, 1603-1714 (3)

Study of major political, social, economic, and religious developments in seventeenth century England.

HY 578 Hanoverian England, 1714-1815 (3)

Study of major political, social, economic, and diplomatic developments in eighteenth century England.

HY 584 Modern Britain (3)

Detailed study of Britain's political, social, diplomatic, and industrial development since 1865; Britain's experiment with socialism and decline as a great world power.

HY 587 Historiography of the Third Reich (3)

A survey of the historical literature concerning the nature and course of National Socialism in Germany in the mid-Twentieth Century and its impact on European History.

HY 597 Special Topics (1-3)

(1-3). Special readings and assignments approved by department head and instructor after consideration of the students' historiographical and/or research needs. May be duplicated for credit for a total of 9 semester hours as long as each instance is on a different topic.

HY 599 Thesis (3)

Prerequisite(s): Dean's Approval and Approval of Application for Thesis Option.

See "Thesis Option and Procedures." May be duplicated for credit for a total of 6 semester hours Grades: Pass/Fail.