

HISTORY (HY)

HY 100 Current History (1)

Prerequisite(s): Approval of department head.

Students will do research on a current events topic which they select with the approval of the instructor.

HY 101 Western Civilization I (3)

The study of western civilization from earliest times to the beginning of the modern era.

HY 102 Western Civilization II (3)

The study of western civilization from the beginning of the modern era to the present.

HY 103 Honors Western Civilization I (3)

Prerequisite(s): ACT verbal 25 or above; SAT verbal 610 or above.

Advanced study in the history of western civilization from earliest time to the present. Includes training in the techniques of historical research, writing, and criticism.

HY 104 Honors Western Civilization II (3)

Prerequisite(s): ACT verbal, 25 or above; SAT verbal 610 or above.

(3). Advanced study in the history of western civilization from earliest time to the present. Includes training in the techniques of historical research, writing, and criticism.

HY 111 World History I (3)

This course explores history until roughly 1500 C.E. and covers topics such as: Big History, the ideological foundations of Asian Civilizations, the development of Asian empires, the peopling of the Americas, the development of European, Middle Eastern, and African empires and cultures. The course may utilize primary and secondary sources, digital humanities, and classroom discussion and collaboration.

HY 112 World History II (3)

This course will explore human history from 1500 to the present. Key topics include: Asian, African, and American encounters with Europeans; colonial projects; nation building; and the making of the modern world since 1945. The course may utilize primary and secondary sources, digital humanities, and classroom discussion and collaboration.

HY 201 American History I (3)

The study of American history from pre-colonization through the Civil War.

HY 202 American History II (3)

The study of American history from the Civil War era to the present.

HY 203 Honors American History I (3)

Prerequisite(s): ACT verbal 25 or above; SAT verbal 610 or above.

Beginning with the European background, this course deals with the establishment of the thirteen English colonies, separation from the mother country, growth and expansion, participation in world affairs.

HY 204 Honors American History II (3)

Prerequisite(s): ACT verbal 25 or above; SAT verbal 610 or above.

Beginning with the European background, this course deals with the establishment of the thirteen English colonies, separation from the mother country, growth and expansion, participation in world affairs.

HY 300 Topics in History (3)

Prerequisite(s): HY 101, 102, 201, 202, or permission of the instructor.

An examination of special topics in History. This course will explore topics related to the history of the United States or the World. May be repeated for credit for a total of 9 semester hours.

HY 301 History of England to 1689 (3)

Prerequisite(s): HY 101 and 102.

The origins of the English people and nation, its early legal and constitutional development, the struggle between king and parliament, and the beginning of overseas expansion down to the Glorious Revolution. Recommended especially for pre-law students.

HY 302 History of Great Britain, 1689 to the Present (3)

Prerequisite(s): HY 101 and 102.

A continuation of History 301. The consolidation to the constitutional evolution; the agricultural, social, industrial, and political revolutions of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, the merging of Great Britain into the Commonwealth of Nations.

HY 303 Historian's Craft (WI) (3)

Prerequisite(s): History majors only; HY 101, HY 102, HY 201, HY 202.

Historical research methods and historiography. This course will introduce history majors to methods and tools used in historical research as a means of preparing them for their 300-400 level history courses. The class will serve as a bridge between the freshman History experience and the major's immersion into the discipline of History. (Writing Intensive Course)

HY 304 American Military History (3)

Prerequisite(s): HY 201 and 202.

The evolution of warfare and the military in America's past.

HY 310 Reacting to the Past (3)

Through participation in Reacting to the Past (RTTP) games, students will take on roles of historical figures who engage in difficult and complicated situations, allowing them to participate in great historical debates. Topics will vary each time the course is taught. Course may be repeated for a total of six (6) semester hours.

HY 330 History of Islam (3)

Prerequisite(s): HY 101 or permission of instructor.

A historical and thematic introduction to Islamic history, especially its political, institutional, religious, social and cultural forms.

HY 331 The Far East in Modern Times (3)

Prerequisite(s): HY 101 and 102.

A survey of Far Eastern history with special emphasis upon China, Japan, and the impact of western influence in Modern Times.

HY 332 Russian History through the Revolutions of 1917 (3)

Prerequisite(s): HY 101 and 102.

The political, social, and intellectual developments of Russia from the early migrations and consolidation of Muscovy through the fall of the House of Romanov.

HY 333 Russian History from 1855 to the Present (3)

Prerequisite(s): HY 101 and 102.

Survey of the history of Russia focusing on the rise of radical activity that led to the Revolution of 1917, the creation, evolution and collapse of the Soviet Union and Russia after communism.

HY 365 History of Video Games (3)

Prerequisite(s): Sophomore status or approval of the instructor.

A history of video games from early computer technologies to mobile applications.

HY 395 Europe in the Middle Ages 476-1300 (3)

Prerequisite(s): HY 101 and 102.

Major political, intellectual, and cultural trends, with emphasis on ecclesiastical developments and the fathers of the church.

HY 399 Study Tour (3)

Topics, excursions, and requirements determined by department. May be duplicated for credit; however, only three (3) credits may be applied toward any major or minor. Advance deposit required. Infrequently scheduled and subject to minimum and maximum numbers.

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 404 The Age of the Cold War: Europe, 1945-Present (3)

Prerequisite(s): HY 101 and 102. The Cold War and its impact on the internal reorganization of the European nations.

HY 405 Environmental History of the United States (3)

A historical investigation of human interaction with the environment in the United States from the pre-colonial era to the present.

HY 406 Internship in Museum Studies (3)

Prerequisite(s): Approval of instructor. Working with local historical museums under the supervision of faculty, students will be introduced to the problems and possibilities of museum curatorship.

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 408 Ancient History (3)

Prerequisite(s): HY 101 and 102. A survey of civilization in the Near East and Europe from the invention of writing to the fall of the Roman Empire.

HY 409 Modern France (3)

Prerequisite(s): HY 101 and 102. A survey of the development of the French nation-state from Louis XIV to the present.

HY 410 Modern Germany (3)

Prerequisite(s): HY 102. A survey of the development of Germany from the Peace of Westphalia to the collapse of the Third Reich.

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 415 The American Experience in War (1775-1898) (3)

Prerequisite(s): HY 201 and 202 or approval of instructor. A military history of the American Revolution, War of 1812, Mexican War, Civil War, and Spanish American War. The course examines strategy, tactics, leadership, logistics, and civil military relations in America's first five conflicts.

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 444 History of Alabama (3)

Prerequisites for Undergraduate: HY 201 and 202. Prerequisites for Graduate: none. Alabama from the era of settlement to the present.

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 The Westward Movement in American History (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 relation to tariff, public lands, currency and banking; 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 453 Sectional Conflict, Civil War, and Reconstruction, 1850-1877 (3)

Prerequisite(s): HY 201 and 202.

The rise of opposition to slavery; the Decade of Crises; Civil War; political, social, economic, diplomatic, and military aspects of the conduct of the war. An examination of the various interpretations, regional and national, of the Reconstruction Period.

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 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 470 American Diplomatic History to 1933 (3)

Prerequisites for Undergraduate: HY 201 and 202. Prerequisite for Graduate: None. History of United States foreign relations beginning with the American Revolutionary Period and continuing through the decade of the 1920s. A study of the historical changes in American foreign policy objectives which led to the increased size and importance of the United States.

HY 471 American Diplomatic History Since 1933 (3)

Prerequisites for Undergraduate: HY 201 and 202. Prerequisite for Graduate: None. A detailed study of United States foreign relations beginning with Franklin D. Roosevelt and continuing to the present.

HY 473 Modern Middle East (3)

Prerequisite(s): HY 101 and 102.

This course centers around Israel's struggle for national independence and the tension this has produced in the Middle East.

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: HY 101 or 201 or approval of 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: HY 201 and 202 or approval of 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: HY 201 and 202 or approval of 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 486 The Andean Nations (3)

Prerequisite for Undergraduate: HY 201 and 202 or approval of instructor.
Prerequisite for Graduate: None. A history of Colombia, Ecuador, Peru and Bolivia from Pre-Colombian times until the present with an emphasis on the diversity of the peoples of these nations.

HY 487 History of Brazil (3)

Prerequisite for Undergraduate: HY 201 and 202 or approval of 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 493 History of Christianity I (3)

Prerequisite(s): HY 101 or permission of instructor.
A historical and thematic introduction to Christian history from its roots in the ancient near east; its foundation and growth; its distinctive Latin, Greek, and Syriac branches; and its development into the medieval period.

HY 494 History of Christianity II (3)

Prerequisite(s): HY 102 or permission of instructor.
This course will detail the schism and splits in Christianity over the last millennium. Special attention on the Protestant Reformation and her engagement of Christianity with modernity.

HY 499 Capstone Experience (WI) (0)

Prerequisite(s): History majors with senior status and permission of Department Head.
Capstone experience for history majors. (Writing Intensive Course)