History

Degree: A.A. - Social Science
Area: Behavioral & Social Sciences
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The study of history contributes to cultural literacy and develops critical thinking and other useful skills while helping students understand today.

Social Science

Requirements for Degree Major

Students must complete 18 units of transfer-level work in addition to other graduation requirements. Courses taken must be in at least four of the following areas: Anthropology, Economics, Geography, History, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology (except Psychology 335), and Sociology. See ARC graduation requirements.

HIST 300  History of Western Civilization 3 Units

Formerly: HIST 4
Prerequisite: None
Advisory: ENGWR 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116; or ESLR 320, EslW 320; or placement through assessment process
Course Transferable to UC/CSU
Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course is a survey of western civilization from its origins in the Ancient Middle East until the Renaissance, emphasizing the social, political, economic, cultural and intellectual forces that have served to shape the modern world. The focus will be on the cultural legacies and contributions of the Ancient Middle East, Greece, Rome, and the Middle Ages to the development of western civilization. (CAN HIST SEQ A- Hist 300+302, CAN HIST 2) AA/AS area B or C2; CSU area C2 or D3; IGETC area 3.

HIST 302  History of Western Civilization 3 Units

Formerly: HIST 5
Prerequisite: None
Advisory: ENGWR 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116; or ESLR 320, ESLW 320; or placement through assessment process
Course Transferable to UC/CSU
Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course is a survey of western civilization from the Renaissance to the present, emphasizing the interplay of social, political, economic, cultural and intellectual forces in creating and shaping the modern world. The focus will be on the process of modernization, stressing the secularization of western society and examining how war and revolution have served to create our world. (CAN HIST 4) AA/AS area B or C2; CSU area C2 or D3; IGETC area 3; (HIST SEQ A Sum of HIST 300 and 302).

HIST 305  Women in Western Civilization 3 Units

Formerly: HIST 6
Prerequisite: None
Advisory: ENGWR 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116; or ESLR 320, ESLW 320; or placement through assessment process
Course Transferable to UC/CSU
Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course is a survey of women's contributions to the major ideas, institutions and events of Western Civilization. Examines the diversified roles of women from antiquity to the present with emphasis on the interaction of the sexes. Analyzes the effects on the society of the patriarchal structure of the family and consequently the pervasive impact on all institutions of western culture. AA/AS area B or C2; CSU area C2 or D3; IGETC area 3.
HIST 307  History of World Civilizations to 1500  3 Units
Formerly: HIST 11
Prerequisite: None
Advisory: ENGW 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116; or ESLR 320, ESLW 320; or placement through assessment process.
Course Transferable to UC/CSU
Hours: 54 hours LEC
A survey of world civilizations from antiquity to 1500, with particular emphasis on the dynamic interaction and comparison of peoples and cultures. The focus is on the role played by social, political, economic, cultural, and religious forces in shaping the major world civilizations and the legacy of these civilizations for subsequent civilizations and our world today. AA/AS area B or C2 and F; CSU area C2 or D3; IGETC area 4.

HIST 308  History of World Civilizations, 1500 to Present  3 Units
Formerly: HIST 12
Prerequisite: None
Advisory: ENGW 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116; or ESLR 320, ESLW 320; or placement through assessment process
Course Transferable to UC/CSU
Hours: 54 hours LEC
A survey of world civilizations from the 16th century to the present, with particular emphasis on the dynamic interaction of peoples and cultures. The focus is on the role played by social, political, economic, cultural, and religious forces in shaping the major world civilizations and the legacy of these civilizations and our world today. (CAN HIST 16) AA/AS area B or C2 and F; CSU area C2 or D3; IGETC area 4.

HIST 310  History of the United States  3 Units
Formerly: HIST 17
Prerequisite: None
Advisory: ENGW 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116; or ESLR 320, ESLW 320; or placement through assessment process
Course Transferable to UC/CSU
Hours: 54 hours LEC
This course is a survey of United States history from its European, African, and Native American backgrounds to 1865. The course examines the origin and development of many of this nation’s political, social, economic and intellectual institutions including their influences upon contemporary American life. These analyses also emphasize such historical concepts as cause and effect, multiple causation and historical interpretation. (CAN HIST 8) AA/AS area C1; CSU area D1; IGETC area 4; (HIST SEQ B HIST 310 and 311).

HIST 311  History of the United States  3 Units
Formerly: HIST 18
Prerequisite: None
Advisory: ENGW 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116; or ESLR 320, ESLW 320; or placement through assessment process
Course Transferable to UC/CSU
Hours: 54 hours LEC
This course is a survey of United States History from 1865 to the present. It examines many of America’s political, social, economic, and intellectual institutions, including their influences upon contemporary life. This course also examines this nation’s increasing involvement in world affairs. These analyses are set within the context of such historical concepts as cause and effect, multiple causation, and historical interpretation. (CAN HIST 10) AA/AS area C1; CSU area D1; IGETC area 4; (HIST SEQ B HIST 310 and 311).

HIST 318  American Intellectual and Cultural History  3 Units
Formerly: HIST 161
Prerequisite: None
Advisory: ENGW 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116; or ESLR 320, ESLW 320; or placement through assessment process
Course Transferable to UC/CSU
Hours: 54 hours LEC
This course is a survey of major themes and developments in American culture and ideas from the colonial to the contemporary period. Special emphasis is given to religious, scientific, literary, artistic, philosophical, and political thoughts to explore the sources, expressions, and transformation of cultural and intellectual values in the history of the United States. AA/AS area C1; CSU area D1; IGETC area 4.

HIST 320  History of the United States: African-American Emphasis  3 Units
Formerly: HIST 14
Prerequisite: None
Advisory: ENGW 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116; or ESLR 320, ESLW 320; or placement through assessment process
Course Transferable to UC/CSU
Hours: 54 hours LEC
This course covers U.S. history from the founding of Jamestown in 1607 through the Civil War. The course begins with a brief overview of the Black American’s African heritage. It continues with the role played by African-Americans, their relationships to other groups, and their specific contributions in the growth and development of the nation. AA/AS area C1 & F; CSU area D1; IGETC area 4.

HIST 321  History of the United States: African-American Emphasis  3 Units
Formerly: HIST 15
Prerequisite: None
Advisory: ENGW 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116; or ESLR 320, ESLW 320; or placement through assessment process
Course Transferable to UC/CSU
Hours: 54 hours LEC
This course covers U.S. history from 1865 to present, including coverage of state and local government with an emphasis on the role of African Americans, their relationships to other groups, and their specific contributions in the growth and development of the nation. AA/AS area C1 & F; CSU area D1; IGETC area 4.

HIST 323  History of the United States: The American Indian Experience  3 Units
Formerly: HIST 16A
Prerequisite: None
Advisory: ENGW 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116; or ESLR 320, ESLW 320; or placement through assessment process
Course Transferable to UC/CSU
Hours: 54 hours LEC
This course is a survey of the North American Indian nations. The course covers the effects of European contact, trade, and colonization. It examines the effects of United States political, economic, and social policies on Indians throughout U.S. history. Also, emphasis is placed on American Indian people’s attempts to protect their sovereignty and revitalize their societies across time. AA/AS area C1 & F; CSU area D1; IGETC area 4.

HIST 325  History of Asian/Pacific Americans  3 Units
Formerly: HIST 16P
Prerequisite: None
Advisory: ENGW 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116; or ESLR 320, ESLW 320; or placement through assessment process
Course Transferable to UC/CSU
Hours: 54 hours LEC
This course is a survey lecture course that examines the history of Asian immigrants and Asian Americans in the United States from 1850 to the present. It includes the process of migration and settlement in the United States by people from east Asia, southeast Asia, south Asia, and the Pacific islands. It examines the historical experience of these groups from a social, political, economic, and cultural perspective, with an emphasis on the following themes: work, family, community formation, government policies, race relations, and ethnic identities. It also addresses the contributions of Asian Americans to the multicultural development of contemporary American society, including the interaction of Asian Americans with people of European, African, Hispanic, and Native descent. AA/AS area 1; CSU area D1; IGETC area 4.
HIST 327  History of the Chicano/Mexican American  3 Units
Formerly: HIST 16M
Prerequisite: None
Advisory: ENGWR 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116; or ESLR 320, ESLW 320; or placement through assessment process
Course Transferable to UC/CSU
Hours: 54 hours LEC
This course is a study of the relationship between the development of American and Mexican civilization in the Western Hemisphere. Focus is on the role of the Mexican American experience as it was affected by social, political, and economic events in the United States. Emphasis is placed on socio-cultural contributions of Mexican Americans to American institutions. AA/AS area C1; CSU area D1; IGETC area 4.

HIST 330  Women in American History  3 Units
Formerly: HIST 16W
Prerequisite: None
Advisory: ENGWR 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116; or ESLR 320, ESLW 320; or placement through assessment process
Course Transferable to UC/CSU
Hours: 54 hours LEC
This course offers a survey of U.S. women's history, including the origin and development of the nation's political, social, economic, and intellectual institutions from pre-contact indigenous societies to the modern era. The diverse roles and contributions of European American, Native American, African American, Mexican American and Asian American women are emphasized throughout the course. AA/AS areas C1 & F; CSU area D1; IGETC area 4.

HIST 340  History of California through 1879  3 Units
Formerly: HIST 29
Prerequisite: None
Advisory: ENGWR 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116; or ESLR 320, ESLW 320; or placement through assessment process
Course Transferable to UC/CSU
Hours: 54 hours LEC
This course is a survey of the discovery and settlement of California by the Spanish, the Mexican period, American conquest and occupation, the Gold Rush; and events through the Constitution of 1879. AA/AS area C2; CSU area C2 and D3; IGETC area 3.

HIST 341  History of California: 1879 to Present  3 Units
Formerly: HIST 30
Prerequisite: None
Advisory: ENGWR 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116; or ESLR 320, ESLW 320; or placement through assessment process
Course Transferable to UC/CSU
Hours: 54 hours LEC
This course is a survey of California late Nineteenth and Twentieth century history emphasizing political, economic and cultural development to the present time. This course fulfills California state requirement in state and local government, but does not meet the requirement in United States Constitution. AA/AS area C2; CSU area D3; IGETC area 3.

HIST 343  The California Mother Lode  .5-3 Units
Formerly: HIST 31
Prerequisite: None
Advisory: ENGWR 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116; or ESLR 320, ESLW 320; or placement through assessment process
Course Transferable to CSU
Hours: 8-54 hours LEC, 3-18 hours LAB
This course is a history of the Mother Lode with emphasis on the Gold Rush Era and its effect on the natural environment of the region. Lecture-lab activities at selected locations in the Mother Lode region complement the classroom instruction. Each combination of classroom and on-site instruction constitutes one half unit of credit. A student may earn a maximum of 3 units. AA/AS area C2; CSU area D3.

HIST 364  Asian Civilization  3 Units
Formerly: HIST 19
Prerequisite: None
Advisory: ENGWR 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116; or ESLR 320, ESLW 320; or placement through assessment process
Course Transferable to UC/CSU
Hours: 54 hours LEC
This course is a survey of Asian Civilization with emphasis on South and East Asia, beginning with dawn of recorded history through 1800. The cultures of India, China, and Japan will be emphasized. AA/AS area B or C2; CSU area C2 or D3; IGETC area 3.

HIST 365  Asian Civilization  3 Units
Formerly: HIST 20
Prerequisite: None
Advisory: ENGWR 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116; or ESLR 320, ESLW 320; or placement through assessment process
Course Transferable to UC/CSU
Hours: 54 hours LEC
This course is a survey of the political, social, economic and cultural transformation of India, China and Japan since 1800. Emphasis on how these cultures responded to meet the changes of Western Civilization. AA/AS area B or C2; CSU area C2 or D3; IGETC area 3.

HIST 367  History of Russia  3 Units
Formerly: HIST 33
Prerequisite: None
Advisory: ENGWR 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116; or ESLR 320, ESLW 320; or placement through assessment process
Course Transferable to UC/CSU
Hours: 54 hours LEC
This course is a survey of Russian history from 1861 to the present. The course examines the major social, political, and economic developments that have shaped Russian society and culture. Special attention will be given to Russian culture, politics and protest during the 19th century, the revolutions of 1917 and the Bolshevik rise to power, the creation and expansion of the Soviet state under Stalin, and the decline and collapse of Soviet power. AA/AS area C2; CSU area C2 and D3; IGETC area 3.

HIST 373  History of Mexico  3 Units
Formerly: HIST 10
Prerequisite: None
Advisory: ENGWR 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116; or ESLR 320, ESLW 320; or placement through assessment process
Course Transferable to UC/CSU
Hours: 54 hours LEC
This is a survey of Indian Mexico, the Spanish conquest and fusion of two cultures; the War of Independence; the age of Santa Ana and the loss of North Mexico; the reign of Diaz; the Revolution of 1910; reconstruction and contemporary Mexico. AA/AS area C2; CSU area C2 & D3; IGETC area 3.

HIST 480  History of Western Civilization - Honors  3 Units
Formerly: HIST 4H
Prerequisite: Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above; ENGWR 300 with a grade of "C" or better.
Course Transferable to UC/CSU
Hours: 54 hours LEC
This course is a survey of western civilization from its origins in the Ancient Middle East until the Renaissance. The emphasis will be on the social, political, economic, cultural and intellectual forces that have served to shape the modern world. The focus will be on challenging students to interpret the past by critically analyzing both primary sources and relevant works by leading historians. AA/AS area B3 or C2; CSU area C2 or D3; IGETC area 3.
HIST 481  History of Western Civilization - Honors
3 Units
Formerly: HIST 5H
Prerequisite: Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above; ENGWR 300 with a grade of "C" or better.
Course Transferable to UC/CSU
Hours: 54 hours LEC
This course is a survey of western civilization from the Renaissance to the present. Emphasis will be on the social, political, economic, cultural and intellectual forces that have served to shape the modern world. The focus will be on challenging students to interpret the past by critically analyzing both primary sources and relevant works by leading historians. AA/AS area B or C2; CSU C2 or D3; IGETC area 3.

HIST 483  History of the United States - Honors 3 Units
Formerly: HIST 17H
Prerequisite: Cumulative GPA of 3.0; ENGWR 300 with a grade of "C" or better.
Course Transferable to UC/CSU
Hours: 54 hours LEC
This course is an in-depth study of American history from the Colonial through the American Civil War eras. Particular emphasis will be placed on the interrelationships of the developing American political, economic, social, and cultural institutions. AA/AS area C1; CSU area D1; IGETC area 4.

HIST 484  History of the United States - Honors 3 Units
Formerly: HIST 18H
Prerequisite: Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above; ENGWR 300 with a grade of "C" or better.
Course Transferable to UC/CSU
Hours: 54 hours LEC
This course is an intense study of American history from 1865 to the present day. Particular emphasis will be placed on the interrelationships of American political, economic, social and cultural developments. This course is designed to partially fulfill American Institutions graduation requirements. AA/AS area C1; CSU area D1; IGETC area 4.

HIST 494  Topics in History 1-3 Units
Formerly: HIST 40
Prerequisite: None
Advisory: ENGWR 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116; or ESLR 320, ESLW 320; or placement through assessment process
Course Transferable to CSU
Hours: 18-54 hours LEC
This course is a historical examination of significant ideas, developments and movements which had a major impact in illuminating the historic growth of civilization in the world. Covering topics from a wide range of academic disciplines including anthropology, economics, engineering, fine arts, history, law, life science, literature, mathematics, philosophy, political science, sociology, psychology and will vary in content and scope with the interests and expertise of both the instructors and the students. Modules of one unit each. In any given semester a student may enroll in from one to three modules. AA/AS area C2.