
This program leads to a profession which requires an occupational license as defined under Texas Occupations Code 58.001 This requires that all applicants seeking to become licensed must undergo a criminal background check prior to licensure. Students in this program should check with the College of Education and P-16 Integration on the requirements for a criminal background check prior to student teaching.

As an integral part of a liberal arts education, history courses introduce students to different historical eras, diverse cultures, famous and ordinary women and men, and a variety of geographical settings. Our courses challenge students to think critically, express themselves clearly, and become informed and responsible citizens in an increasingly interconnected world. Students majoring or minoring in history may become teachers or seek employment in business or government. History is an excellent background for those who wish later to go to law school or enter journalism.

A – GENERAL EDUCATION CORE – 42 HOURS

Students must fulfill the General Education Core requirements. The courses listed below satisfy both degree requirements and General Education core requirements.

Required

080 - Social and Behavioral Sciences – 3 hours

ECON 2301 Principles of Macroeconomics

B – MAJOR REQUIREMENTS – 57 HOURS (45 advanced)

1 – Social Studies Composite Core – 21 hours (12 advanced)

ECON 2302 Principles of Microeconomics
HIST 2321 World History I
HIST 2322 World History II
HIST 3300 Historiography and Methods
HIST 3302 Geography and Environment in History
HIST 3333 Texas History
HIST 4399 Senior Research Seminar

2 – Social Studies Composite Electives – 36 hours (33 advanced)

a – United States History – 12 hours (12 advanced)

Choose one course from each area. A course can only be counted in one area.

1 – Colonial America to 1776 – 3 hours (3 advanced)

Choose from:

HIST 3320 Colonial America to 1763
HIST 3332 Mexican-American History
HIST 4321 The Spanish Southwest to 1821
HIST 4323 History of the Old South

2 – Early National Period to 1848 – 3 hours (3 advanced)

Choose from:

HIST 3321 The United States, Revolution, and the New Nation, 1763-1815
HIST 3322 Rise of the American Nation, 1815 - 1848
HIST 3327 The American Military Experience
HIST 3328 History of the American Presidency
HIST 4323 History of the Old South

3 – Era of Sectional Conflict– 3 hours (3 advanced)

Choose from:

HIST 3323 Era of Sectional Conflict, 1848-1877
HIST 3327 The American Military Experience
HIST 3328 History of the American Presidency
HIST 3332 Mexican-American History
HIST 3334 History of the American West
HIST 4322 American Southwest and Borderlands after 1821
HIST 4323 History of the Old South

4 – 1877 to the Present – 3 hours (3 advanced)

Choose from:

HIST 3330 The U.S. as a World Power

HIST 3324 The Emergence of Modern America, 1877-1929
HIST 3325 Twentieth Century America
HIST 3327 The American Military Experience
HIST 3328 History of the American Presidency
HIST 3332 Mexican-American History
HIST 4324 History of the New South Since 1877
HIST 4325 The United States: War, Prosperity, and Depression, 1917 – 1945
HIST 4326 The United States since 1945

b – European History – 6 hours (6 advanced)

Choose from:

HIST 3340 Medieval Europe
HIST 3341 Early Modern Europe
HIST 3342 Revolutionary Europe, 1789-1850
HIST 3343 Europe's Age of Imperialism, 1850-1919
HIST 3344 Contemporary Europe, 1919 to the Present
HIST 3345 History of England to 1688
HIST 3346 History of England after 1688
HIST 3347 History of Spain
HIST 4340 Ancient Greek History
HIST 4341 Ancient Roman History
HIST 4342 The Renaissance and Reformation, 1300-1650
HIST 4343 Russia Since 1905
HIST 4344 Absolutism and Enlightenment in Europe, 1650-1789
HIST 4391 Special Topics in European History

c – Latin American History – 3 hours (3 advanced)

Choose from:

HIST 3360 Pre-Conquest Mexico and Central America
HIST 3361 Colonial Latin America
HIST 3362 Modern Latin America
HIST 3363 Mexico from Pre-Conquest to the Present
HIST 3364 Mexico through Independence
HIST 3365 Mexico since Independence
HIST 3366 Latin American Women in the Modern Era
HIST 3367 Women in Colonial Latin America
HIST 4360 Mexico's First Century as an Independent Republic
HIST 4361 Contemporary Mexico
HIST 4362 History of Mexican Culture
HIST 4363 History of Mexican Cinema
HIST 4364 Brazil after Independence
HIST 4365 Latin America Since Independence
HIST 4366 The Caribbean and Central America
HIST 4393 Special Topics in Latin American History

d – World History – 3 hours (3 advanced)

Choose from:

HIST 3303 Classical and Post-Classical World, 500 BCE to 1450
HIST 3304 First Globalization, 1450 – 1750
HIST 3305 The Modern World, 1750 – Present
HIST 3306 Great Discoveries in Archaeology and History
HIST 3307 Women in History
HIST 4300 The Atlantic World
HIST 4301 Maritime Archaeology and History
HIST 4302 Comparative Colonialism
HIST 4303 Public Health in the Americas
HIST 4304 U.S. – Latin American Relations

HIST 4306 History of the Cold War
HIST 3370 Early Middle East History
HIST 3371 Modern Middle Eastern History
HIST 3372 History of East Asia to 1800
HIST 3374 History of the Ottoman Empire
HIST 3375 History of Modern Japan
HIST 3376 History of Modern China
HIST 4390 Special Topics in World History

e – Social Studies Composite Electives – 12 hours (9 advanced)

i – Geography Component – 3 hours

GEOG 1303 World Regional Geography

ii – History Component – 3 hours (3 advanced)

Choose 3 hours of advanced History. HIST 3301 does not fulfill the HIST elective requirement.

iii – Political Science Component – 6 hours (6 advanced)

Choose from:

POLS 3311 Contemporary Texas Politics
POLS 3355 U.S. Public Policy
POLS 4312 U.S. U.S. Constitutional Law - Civil Liberties
POLS 4341 U.S. Political Theory

C – TEACHER CERTIFICATION – 27 HOURS (24 advanced)

Area of Certification: Social Studies (7-12)

EDFR 2301 Intercultural Context of Schooling
EDUC 3301 The Teaching Profession and Student Learning in Contemporary Schools
EDUC 3302 Knowledge of Student Development and Learning
EDUC 3304 Instructional Planning and Assessment in Culturally Sustaining Classrooms
EDUC 3306 Evidence-Based Teaching in Positive Learning Environments
EDUC 4306 Implementing and Assessing Effective Secondary Content Pedagogy
READ 4305 Disciplinary Literacy in Content Area Classrooms
EDUC 4611 Student Teaching Secondary or All-Level

TOTAL CREDIT HOURS FOR GRADUATION – 126 HOURS

TOTAL ADVANCED HOURS – 69 HOURS

ADMISSION, PROGRESSION, AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS, if applicable:

Progression requirements

Social Studies Composite Majors must earn a 'C' or better in HIST 3300 before taking advanced HIST classes or may progress at the discretion of the instructor. For teacher certification, students must apply for admission and be accepted to the College of Education and P-16 Integration prior to enrolling in teacher certification courses, except for EDFR 2301 which is open to all students.