

HIST: HISTORY (HIST)

HIST 114. World History to 1500. (3 Credits)

A Topical introduction to the evolution of civilizations through the scientific, industrial, political and economic revolutions of the Modern Period down to the present. Emphasis will be placed on the evolution of global interdependence through the interaction of western and non-western cultures.

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HIST 122. U.S. History to 1865. (3 Credits)

Introduces students to the social, political and economic history of the United States from Pre-Columbian America to the end of the Civil War.

HIST 123. U.S. History After 1865. (3 Credits)

Introduces students to the social, political and economic history of the United States from Reconstruction to Contemporary America.

HIST 222. U S Hist Early Beginning To 18. (3 Credits)

This reading and writing intensive survey course provides students with an in-depth analysis of key historical issues of American history from the first habitation to the end of the Civil War.

HIST 223. U S History 1865 To Present. (3 Credits)

This reading and writing intensive survey course students with an in-depth analysis of key historical issues of American history from 1865 to today.

HIST 231. History of Virginia. (3 Credits)

A general course on the development of Virginia and its role in the history of the nation.

HIST 240. African American Hist. to 1865. (3 Credits)

HIST 240 African American History to 1865- 3 Semester hours A reading and writing intensive course which provides students with an analysis of important issues in African American origins to 1865.

HIST 241. Afric. Am. Hist. Fr 1865 to Pr. (3 Credits)

HIST 241 African American History From 1865 to Present- 3 Semester hours A reading and writing intensive course which provides students with an analysis of important issues in African American history from 1865 to the present.

HIST 243. Hip Hop History. (3 Credits)

Hip Hop" is a term that describes a range of artistic, intellectual, cultural, and political themes and practices closely associated with late 20th and early 21st century urban American and African American culture. The course will survey the origins and development of hip hop culture, explore both the aesthetics and aspirations of the movement, and consider major topics of concern to the culture, including identify, oppression, entrepreneurship, social justice, and political power.

HIST 244. Readings in History. (3 Credits)

The course introduces students to the discipline of history and allows flexibility to both student and professor to explore a historical topic or theme in depth, different from a survey format. Mainly intended for history or related majors, the course will emphasize a critical thinking approach to analysis of historical events, thus preparing students for higher courses in historical methodology and the history senior seminar. This course must be successfully completed before enrolling in HIST 344.

HIST 245. HBCU History. (3 Credits)

HIST 245 HBCU History - 3 semester hours Historically Black Colleges and Universities have been a vital instrument in the struggle for liberty, equality, and opportunity for the African American community. This course traces the history of these institutions from their emergence in the nineteenth century, through the challenges they faced during the twentieth century, and their evolving role within African American life and American society generally in the twenty-first century United States.

HIST 246. History of Virginia State Univ. (3 Credits)

This course traces the history of Virginia State University from its founding through the contemporary period. Topics will include how the institution has overcome challenges, both internally and externally, the history of academic, social, and intellectual life on campus, VSU's outreach as a land grant college, and how VSU graduates have helped change the world.

HIST 250. American Sports History. (3 Credits)

A social history of America, using sports and leisure as indicators of how these activities reflect American attitudes from the colonial period to the present day.

HIST 257. History of American Holiday. (3 Credits)

A study of how different American holidays emerged, changed over time, and, in many cases, have disappeared from American life and culture, from colonial times to the present. The course reflects on how holidays can be sources of myth, identity, community, memory, and social protest under the general theme "you are what you celebrate."

HIST 258. Consumption & Clutter in Amer. (3 Credits)

This course examines the place, uses, and understanding of consumer goods and material objects in American life and culture. Topics include the evolution of American consumerism, the idea of "conspicuous consumption," how individuals assert identity through material items, the connections between gender and consumer culture, the dichotomy of abundance and scarcity during industrialization and globalization, and the environmental consequences of consumerism.

HIST 260. U.S. Women's History to 1865. (3 Credits)

This course is a general survey of the history of women in the United States from the pre-colonial era to the mid-nineteenth century. The course will take a mainly narrative approach, but will also introduce students to important concepts, such as the intersection of race, class, and gender in women's lives and its impact on the evolution of sex and gender norms. Major topics may include the importance of women's work and community networks, the gendered underpinnings of American slavery and racist ideologies, changing ideas about women and citizenship, the transformative impacts of colonization, industrialization, and westward expansion.

HIST 261. U.S. Women's History Sin 1865. (3 Credits)

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HIST 274. History of Africa to 1800. (3 Credits)

A survey of the history of Africa from the earliest times to the end of the 18th century. The course will explore the old myths of Africa as a 'dark continent' and emphasize the internal dynamics of the development of indigenous cultures and civilizations. Africa's contribution to world history, and the significance of external forces as they impacted Africa, especially the slave trade, will be underscored.

HIST 275. History of Africa Since 1800. (3 Credits)

A survey of the history of Africa since the late 18th century as a background for understanding today's events. The course will examine socio-economic and political developments inside Africa, relations with outside forces, and the increasing European interest in Africa, which paved way for the imposition of European colonialism. The colonial impact and African reactions, decolonization, the post-colonial period and the current problems and prospects of Africa will be studied.

HIST 277. History of England. (3 Credits)

HIST 277 History of England - 3 semester hours A survey of the social, economic, and political development of England from 1485 to the Twentieth Century.

HIST 299. Special Topics In History. (3 Credits)

A temporary and/or topic specific course with content appropriate for a sophomore level audience.

HIST 301. Colonial American to 1763. (3 Credits)

A study of the establishment and development of British colonies in North America emphasizing their political, social and economic patterns.

HIST 304. American Military History. (3 Credits)

A study of American Military History, and the origin and the growth of the United States Army and its accomplishments in war and peace from 1775 to the present.

HIST 305. Amer. Rev. & Early U.S. Republ. (3 Credits)

A study of the establishment and development of British colonies in North America emphasizing their political, social and economic patterns.

HIST 307. Black Freedom in an Age of Evo. (3 Credits)

This course focuses on how people of African ancestry in the Americas fought for political freedom, social equality, and economic opportunity in the era of the American, French, and Haitian Revolutions. Topics will include the experiences of African Americans in American Revolution, the efforts of the first civil rights leaders in the United States, the movement to end slavery and the slave trade in the early U.S., the Haitian Revolution and its impact on the early U.S., and the emergent discussion of pan-African and African-American identity in the early 19th century.

HIST 309. Antebellum America. (3 Credits)

An overview of the United States from 1815 to the outbreak of the Civil War, with an emphasis on major political, economic and social trends.

HIST 312. History Of Russia & Soviet Uni. (3 Credits)

A historical overview of the development of the Russian state, with emphasis on the time period of Communist control under the Soviet Union and the re-emergence of non-communist Russia.

HIST 313. Civil War and Reconstruction. (3 Credits)

A study of the Civil War and its causes as well as the economic, political, and social changes in the South during Reconstruction.

HIST 315. The New South. (3 Credits)

A study of the effects of the Civil War and Emancipation on southern reconstruction, industrialization, and agriculture.

HIST 317. Progress to Depress 1900-1933. (3 Credits)

A survey of the social, economic, and political development of England from 1485 to the twentieth century. 201608.

HIST 321. New Deal to Now, 1933 to Pres.. (3 Credits)

A concentrated study of the recent history of the United States, including a consideration of the Depression and the New Deal, the Second World War, the Cold War, Civil Rights struggle, and other domestic developments.

HIST 325. Contemporary American History. (3 Credits)

A survey of the social, economic, and political development of England from 1485 to the twentieth century. 201608.

HIST 327. History Of The Carribbean. (3 Credits)

A history of the political, economic, and social characteristics of the Caribbean region.

HIST 328. America in Two World Wars. (3 Credits)

A study of America's participation in World War I and World War II, the conflicts that marked American's transition to a global superpower.

HIST 333. Reel History. (3 Credits)

This course will focus on how the past is portrayed in visual media, and is thus a class in public history, or how the past is presented in non-academic settings. Subjects will be drawn from multiple nations and cultures and the course will explore presentations of the past from societies across the planet from antiquity to the contemporary period.

HIST 340. African American History To 18. (3 Credits)

This reading and writing intensive course will provide students with an analysis of important issues in African American origins to 1865.

HIST 341. African Amer Hist Fr 1865 To P. (3 Credits)

This reading and writing intensive course will provide students with an analysis of important issues in African American history from 1865 to the present.

HIST 344. Historical Methods. (3 Credits)

This course introduces students to the methods involved in historical analysis, research and writing. Emphasis will be placed on approaches to the study of history, modes of historical writing, interpretation and argument, data collection, analysis and documentation, and style and writing conventions. Students successfully completing this course will be able to write effectively, reason logically, and argue convincingly. This course must be successfully completed before enrolling in HIST 444: Senior Seminar.

HIST 347. Black Voices in American Hist. (3 Credits)

A reading and discussion intensive course that explores the ways in which African Americans have experienced and responded to life in the social, political, and economic spheres of American society.

HIST 348. Islam in African Amer Experien. (3 Credits)

The course explores the origins and connections between Islam and African American culture from colonial times to the present.

HIST 349. HBCU History. (3 Credits)

HIST 349 HBCU History - 3 semester hours Historically Black Colleges and Universities have been a vital instrument in the struggle for liberty, equality, and opportunity for the African American community. This course traces the history of these institutions from their emergence in the nineteenth century, through the challenges they faced during the twentieth century, and their evolving role within African American life and American society generally in the twenty-first century United States.

HIST 350. Native Americans in Early Amer. (3 Credits)

A study of Native Americans in North American from the earliest settlements on the continent until the early nineteenth century.

HIST 352. Black Voices In American Histo. (3 Credits)

A reading and discussion intensive course that explores the ways in which African Americans have experienced and responded to life in the social, political, and economic spheres of American society.

HIST 353. Amer Constitutional History. (3 Credits)

A historical study of the creation of the U.S. constitution, its impact upon American development and society, and the evolution of the document through contemporary history.

HIST 360. Race, Sex and Gen in Amer. HIS. (3 Credits)

This course examines aspects of American history and culture through the intersecting lenses of race, sex, and gender. Topics include the evolution of sex and gender norms, the gendered roots of white supremacy, colonization, and westward expansion, multiple definitions of race in American culture, and changing understandings of sex and sexuality from the colonial era to the present.

HIST 362. WMN, Politics & Amer. Pub Life. (3 Credits)

Women actively contributed to American public life well before winning the vote. Along with the abolitionist, suffrage, civil rights, and other social justice movements, this course examines the ways women have exercised public influence in everyday life. Other topics may include boycotts, public protests, strikes, voluntary associations, and grass-roots organizing. Close attention will be paid to the varied ways race, class, legal status, and gender identity have interacted with women's experiences of public life.

HIST 372. Women's Voices in Wrld History. (3 Credits)

This course takes a topical approach to world history by examining selected eras and events through the lens of women's writings and acts of cultural remembrance. Specifics of place and time period will vary by semester. Topics will also vary by semester but may include war, migration, colonialism, education, social unrest, and political activism.

HIST 380. African Disaporic History. (3 Credits)

An examination of the African diaspora, from its origins in the slave trade to the present day. Topics may include the emergence of diasporic identities, the endurance of African cultural practices and traditions, and the interaction between diasporic people and Africa.

HIST 381. Black Women's History in Ameri. (3 Credits)

A study of black women in both North America and Latin America focusing on comparative historical themes and the changing historical roles of black women in the various parts of the Americas.

HIST 392. Public History. (3 Credits)

This course combines theory and experience to introduce students to the academic and practical aspects of public history. The focus will vary by semester and areas of interest may include museum exhibitions, efforts at historical commemoration, the use of history within various media, and the process of historic site excavation, interpretation, and preservation.

HIST 399. Special Topics In History. (3 Credits)

A temporary and/or topic-specific course with content appropriate for an upperclassman audience.

HIST 401. Colonial America To 1763. (3 Credits)

A study of the establishment and development of British colonies in North America emphasizing their political, social and economic patterns.

HIST 402. Student Teaching For History. (3 Credits)

This course is designed to provide supervision in the content area for pre-service secondary history candidates.

HIST 405. Revolutionary Early Nat'L Peri. (3 Credits)

An examination of the founding of the United States from the Revolution through the War of 1812.

HIST 406. Native Americans In Early Amer. (3 Credits)

An examination of the founding of the United States from the Revolution through the War of 1812.

HIST 409. Antebellum America. (3 Credits)

An overview of the United States from 1815 to the outbreak of the Civil War, with an emphasis on major political, economic and social trends.

HIST 413. Civil War And Reconstruction. (3 Credits)

A study of the Civil War and its causes as well as the economic, political, and social changes in the South during Reconstruction.

HIST 415. The New South. (3 Credits)

A study of the effects of the Civil War and Emancipation on southern reconstruction, industrialization, and agriculture.

HIST 417. Progressivism Depression 1900. (3 Credits)

An intensive study of the United States in the first three decades of the twentieth century, including a consideration of Progressive Reform, World War I, the Twenties, the Crash, and the Depression.

HIST 421. New Deal To Now 1933 To Presen. (3 Credits)

A concentrated study of the recent history of the United States, including a consideration of the Depression and the New Deal, the Second World War, the Cold War, Civil Rights struggle, and other domestic developments.

HIST 425. Contemporary American History. (3 Credits)

An intensive study of contemporary topics and analysis of their background and impact.

HIST 426. Methods Materials Teach Soc St. (3 Credits)

Implications of contemporary teaching strategies, educational materials, and instructional designs for cross-disciplinary instruction in history and social studies.

HIST 428. America In Two World Wars. (3 Credits)

A study of America's participation in World War I and World War II, the conflicts that marked American's transition to a global superpower.

HIST 431. History Of Virginia. (3 Credits)

A general course on the development of Virginia and its role in the history of the nation.

HIST 435. American Diplomatic History. (3 Credits)

A comprehensive study of American foreign relations from the colonial era to the present day.

HIST 437. Econ & Bus His Us:Growth Capit. (3 Credits)

A study of the ideas, forces, and people behind the emergence of a capitalist economy in the United States, from the Revolution to the present.

HIST 439. American Constitutional Histor. (3 Credits)

A historical study of the creation of the U.S. constitution, its impact upon American development and society, and the evolution of the document through contemporary history.

HIST 441. Ameri Intellectual Cultural Hi. (3 Credits)

An overview of the major social trends of the various peoples of America, including intellectual, religious, cultural and literary movements.

HIST 443. History Internship. (3 Credits)

Provides students with the opportunity to experience the practice of history through placement in internships with public or private agencies.

HIST 444. Senior Seminar. (3 Credits)

Designed as a capstone course for History majors, the Senior Seminar requires students to demonstrate their historical knowledge and skills through the research, writing, presentation and defense of a seminar paper on a topic approved by the seminar director. Prerequisite/Co-requisite: HIST 344.

HIST 445. Women'S History. (3 Credits)

A study of the significance of women in American history, focusing on the changing historical roles of women in society and the emergence of the women's movement.

HIST 449. History Of The American Wet. (3 Credits)

An examination of the primary events, social movements and historical impact of American migration into the West from the nineteenth century to the present day.

HIST 450. Reel History. (3 Credits)

This course will focus on how the past is portrayed in visual media, and is thus a class in public history, or how the past is presented in non-academic settings. Subjects will be drawn from multiple nations and cultures and the course will explore presentations of the past from societies across the planet from antiquity to the contemporary period.

HIST 451. Black History. (3 Credits)

A study tracing the career of Afro-Americans throughout American history from the African background to present times.

HIST 453. History Of Black Ed In The Us. (3 Credits)

An investigation into the ideologies, methods, and struggles involved in the education of blacks in the United States across time and regions.

HIST 455. Black Protet Twentieth Century. (3 Credits)

An extensive examination of the efforts of Afro-Americans to secure freedom and dignity in twentieth- century America with emphasis on the philosophies and leaders of the major protest organizations.

HIST 459. History Black Religion Exp Ame. (3 Credits)

This course examines the origins and contributions of the black sectarian and established religious experiences in America from the Colonial period to the present.

HIST 461. History Of Africa To 1800. (3 Credits)

Survey of the history of Africa from the earliest times to the end of the 18th century. The course will explode the old myths of Africa as a 'dark continent', and emphasize the internal dynamics of the development of indigenous cultures and civilizations. Africa's contribution to world history, and the significance of external forces as they impacted Africa, especially the slave trade, will be underscored.

HIST 462. History Of Africa Since 1800. (3 Credits)

Survey of the history of Africa since the late 18th century as a background for understanding today's events. The course will examine socio-economic and political developments inside Africa, relations with outside forces, and the increasing European interest in Africa, which paved way for the imposition of European colonialism. The colonial impact and African reactions, decolonization, the post-colonial period and the current problems and prospects of Africa will be studied.

HIST 463. The Rise Of The Atlantic World. (3 Credits)

A study of the how European exploration and trade brought together Europe, Africa and the new World in a commercial relationship culminating in the Atlantic slave trade; the coping mechanisms and the role of Africans in the emergence of new communities around this Atlantic world.

HIST 465. W. Africa Era Of Atlantic Sla. (3 Credits)

A study of the social, political and economic developments inside West Africa in the era of the greatest forced migration in human history. Attention will be paid to the ways in which the slave trade influenced internal developments and impacted societies in West Africa.

HIST 481. Europe 1814-1914. (3 Credits)

An examination of the rise of nationalism and industrialism in Europe during the nineteenth century and the causes of World War I.

HIST 482. Methods/Materials Teach HIST. (3 Credits)

Implications of contemporary teaching strategies, educational materials, and instructional designs for cross-disciplinary instruction in history and social studies.

HIST 483. Europe Since 1914. (3 Credits)

An examination of conditions in Europe since 1914: the rise of dictatorship; the coming of World War II; the defeat of the Axis; the end of European imperialism; and post-war European organization and problems.

HIST 484. Senior Sem inTeaching History. (3 Credits)

A course designed to provide supervision in the content area for pre-service secondary history candidates.

HIST 487. British Empire/Commonwealth. (3 Credits)

A survey of the development of the British Empire from the American Revolution to the Commonwealth of Nations and its place in the Age of Anti-Colonialism.

HIST 489. American Legal History. (3 Credits)

A history of the American legal system from the colonial era to the present, emphasizing the changing nature of the law to reflect American society.

HIST 490. History Internship. (3 Credits)

An opportunity to experience the practice of history through placement in internships with public or private agencies.

HIST 491. The French Revolution. (3 Credits)

An analytical examination of the people and processes of the French Revolutionary period. A special focus of this course will be the study of revolutionary theories developed by social scientists during the last several decades.

HIST 492. American Immigration History. (3 Credits)

A history of immigration to the Western Hemisphere, including a discussion of where the immigrants came, why they came, and how they influenced America after their arrival.

HIST 493. Historical Pathways & Careers. (3 Credits)

HIST 493 Historical Pathways and Careers - 3 semester hours The course introduces students to trending theoretical and practical resources for securing rewarding careers in history. It is designed for history majors and others interested in history careers to align their strengths, talents, scholarly interest, and transferable skills for post-graduation professional school and other career options.

HIST 495. Independent Study In History. (3 Credits)

An open format history course featuring directed supervision of the student in their chosen topic by a designated faculty member.

HIST 497. Historiographical Methods. (3 Credits)

Designed as an elective lead-in course to the capstone course for History majors, Historiographical Methods requires students to complete a major historiographical essay on a topic approved by the professor of record. Prerequisite(s): Student must complete one "basic core" course in history (any course numbered HIST 240-289) and one "advanced core" course in history (any course numbered HIST 340-389) to enroll in HIST 497.

HIST 499. Senior Sem Historical Methods. (3 Credits)

Designed as a capstone course for History majors. Students will work closely with the seminar director on how to apply historical methods to their own primary research. To complete the course, students must successfully write, present, and defend a seminar paper based on original research on a topic approved by the seminar director.