

B.A. Degree in History

Effective Fall 2018

I. UNIVERSITY-WIDE MASON CORE REQUIREMENTS (40)

- a. Written Communication: ENGH 101 (100 for ESL), 302 (6)
- b. Oral Communication: COMM 100 or 101 (3)
- c. Quantitative Reasoning (3)
- *d. Information Technology (3) (*may be met w/ HIST 390, which also counts toward the History major*)
- e. Literature (3)
- *f. Arts (3) (*may be met w/ approved 300-level ARTH course that can also count as elective for major*)
- g. Natural Science (7: 4 lab+3 non-lab)
- *h. Western Civilization/Global History: HIST 100 or HIST 125 (3) (*transfer students may use other HIST course options – see University Catalog*)
- * i. Global Understanding (3) (*may be met w/ approved HIST course that also counts toward major*)
- * j. Social and Behavioral Sciences (3) (*may be met w/ HIST 121 or 122, which also count toward major*)
- * k. Synthesis (3) (*met by HIST 300 or 499, which are required for the History major*)

II. CHSS REQUIREMENTS FOR B.A. DEGREE (9-21)

- a. Philosophy or Religious Studies (3)
- b. Proficiency in a Foreign Language through intermediate level (0-12)
- c. Social Sciences (3)
- *d. Non-Western Culture (3) (*may be met w/ approved HIST course that also counts toward the major*)

III. HISTORY MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (36; 18 must be upper-level courses with numbers from 300-499)

a. Methods and research – all History majors

1. HIST 300 (pre-req of 30 credits; a grade of "C" or better is required to graduate) (3)
2. HIST 499 (pre-req of 90 credits plus HIST 300 and ENGH 302) (3)

b. Breadth

- For majors in the U.S. History concentration: 6 credits of European history and 6 credits of global history. (12)
- For majors in the Global History concentration: 15 credits in global history with 9 credits in a particular region (15)
- All other majors (concentration in Public History, Digital History, or Individualized, or no concentration): 6 credits of U.S. history, 6 credits of European history, and 6 credits of global history. (18)

c. Concentration and/or electives within the major

1. For the History major without concentration: four electives (12) which may include any HIST course, one 300-level ARTH course, and HNRS 240.
- or: 2. For the Digital History concentration: HIST 390 (3) and three electives (9) with at least 6 credits in HIST chosen from: HIST 395 (repeatable), ENGH 375, ENGH 376, INTS 345, and other coursework, including internships, approved by the program director.
- or: 3. For the Public History concentration: HIST 396 (3), HIST 390 (3), HIST 399 (3) and one elective (3) chosen from: HIST 397, HIST 380, ARTH 394, ENGH 370, and other coursework, not including additional internships, approved by the program director.
- or: 4. For the Global History concentration: HIST 394 (3) and four electives (12) which may include any HIST course, one 300-level ARTH course, and HNRS 240. Study abroad and at least one credit of foreign language skills development (HIST 386) is encouraged but not required for this concentration.
- or: 5. For the U.S. History concentration: One applied history course (3) and five electives in U.S. history (15), including at least two U.S. courses from each time period, "Origins to 1877" and "1877 to Present."
- or: 6. For the individualized concentration: Four or five electives (12-15 credits) of coursework approved by the program director. Students pursuing an individualized concentration will typically be required to complete 18 (not 15) credits in the breadth requirement outlined above.

IV. COURSEWORK BEYOND MASON CORE, CHSS, AND HISTORY MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (26-35+)

Includes minor(s), 2nd major, and/or general electives taken to reach 120 credits with 45 at upper level.