

MASTER OF ARTS IN HISTORY

Total Semester Credit Hours Required

30-39 semester credit hours minimum with at least 21 semester credit hours of course work in the major.

Major

The student will select one of the options with consultation and approval of her or his graduate committee. The student's graduate committee may require completion of more than the minimum number of semester credit hours indicated and specify courses to be included in the student's individual degree .

At least 30 semester credit hours of course work in the specified program of study. Six elective hours can optionally be applied towards a minor (in consultation with advising committee). Completion of the mandatory course in Research Methods, with a four course distribution, is required.

Minor

Optional. All minors must be approved by the student's graduate committee and must include at least 6 semester credit hours.

Special Requirement

No grade lower than B can be counted toward meeting the minimum number of semester credit hours required.

Final Examination

An oral defense of the thesis or professional paper is required.

Master of Arts in History Program of Study (30 – 39 semester credit hours)

Students will take at least 9 semester credit hours in U.S. history and 3 semester credit hours in non-U.S. history. Students are encouraged to distribute the 9 U.S. history semester credit hours across the following fields: 17th or 18th century US history, 19th century U.S. history, and U.S. history since 1900.

Thesis Option

Minimum of 30 semester credit hours, including 6 semester credit hours for the thesis.

Code	Title	SCHs
	17th or 18th century U.S. history	3
	19th century U.S. history	3
	U.S. history since 1900	3
	Non-U.S. history	3
HIST 5033	Research Methods in History	3
	Electives (additional graduate hours in history)	9
HIST 5983	Thesis	3
HIST 5993	Thesis	3
	Total SCHs	30

Professional Paper Option

Minimum of 36 semester credit hours, including 3 semester credit hours for the professional paper.

Code	Title	SCHs
	17th or 18th century U.S. history	3
	19th century U.S. history	3
	U.S. history since 1900	3
	Non-U.S. history	3
HIST 5033	Research Methods in History	3
	Electives (additional graduate hours in history)	18
HIST 5973	Professional Paper	3
	Total SCHs	36

Public History Option

Minimum of 36 semester credit hours. Students in history, in consultation with their graduate committee, may take 3-6 credit hours in Public History and 3-6 credit hours of internship plus a professional paper.

Code	Title	SCHs
	17th or 18th century U.S. history	3
	19th century U.S. history	3
	U.S. history since 1900	3
	Non-U.S. history	3
HIST 5033	Research Methods in History	3
	Choose from the following options to total 18 semester credit hours	15
	HIST 5933 Internship or HIST 5936 Internship	
	Electives (additional graduate hours in history)	
	Three hours Intro to PublicPublic History	3
HIST 5973	Professional Paper	3
	Total SCHs	36

Combined History and Government Option (History Emphasis)

Couples 21 hours of graduate study in history with 18 hours of graduate study in government. Graduates of the combined program write a professional paper and receive an M.A. in History but have enough graduate hours to teach both history and government in Texas community colleges. Graduates are also qualified to teach dual credit courses in both history and government in Texas high schools.

Minimum of 39 semester credit hours, including 3 semester credit hours for the professional paper. (Note: Student must select one field as major and one as a minor.

Code	Title	SCHs
	17th or 18th century U.S. history	3
	19th century U.S. history	3
	U.S. history since 1900	3
	Non-U.S. history	3
HIST 5033	Research Methods in History	3
	Electives (additional graduate hours in history)	3
	Electives (graduate hours in government)	18
HIST 5973	Professional Paper	3
	Total SCHs	39