

# MASTER OF ARTS IN HISTORY

**Web Site:** <https://twu.edu/history-political-science/graduate-programs/master-of-arts-in-history/>

## Degree Requirements

### Total Semester Credit Hours Required

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

Students will take at least 9 SCH in U.S. history and 3 SCH in non-U.S. history. Students are encouraged to distribute the 9 U.S. history SCH 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 SCH for the thesis.

Code	Title	SCHs
<b>U.S. History</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>9</b></span>		
Choose three of the following		
HIST 5003	Studies in 19th Century U.S	
HIST 5093	Women in Early America	
HIST 5123	Religion in an Atlantic World, 1450-1776	
HIST 5143	Early National Period	
HIST 5203	Jefferson to Jackson	
HIST 5303	Progressives	
HIST 5333	The Gilded Age	
HIST 5403	American Experience in World War II	
HIST 5503	Between the Wars	
HIST 5703	U.S. Since 1945	
<b>Non-U.S. History</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>3</b></span>		
Choose one of the following		
HIST 5103	Renaissance and Reformations	
HIST 5253	History of France	
HIST 5883	Seminar in European History	
HIST 5903	Special Topics (Can be used for any category depending on the subject.)	
<b>Electives</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>9</b></span>		
9 SCH can be chosen from any of the classes listed above plus		
HIST 5803	Oral History Methodology	
HIST 5813	Methods in Public History	
HIST 5913	Independent Study	
HIST 5933	Internship	
or HIST 5936	Internship	
<b>Required Courses</b>		
HIST 5033	Research Methods in History	3
HIST 5983	Thesis	3
HIST 5993	Thesis	3
Total SCHs		30

### Professional Paper Option

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

Code	Title	SCHs
<b>U.S. History</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>9</b></span>		
Choose three of the following		
HIST 5003	Studies in 19th Century U.S	
HIST 5093	Women in Early America	
HIST 5123	Religion in an Atlantic World, 1450-1776	
HIST 5143	Early National Period	
HIST 5203	Jefferson to Jackson	
HIST 5303	Progressives	
HIST 5333	The Gilded Age	
HIST 5403	American Experience in World War II	
HIST 5503	Between the Wars	
HIST 5703	U.S. Since 1945	
<b>Non-U.S. history</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>3</b></span>		
Choose one of the following		
HIST 5103	Renaissance and Reformations	
HIST 5253	History of France	
HIST 5883	Seminar in European History	
HIST 5903	Special Topics (Can be used for any category depending on the subject.)	
<b>Electives</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>18</b></span>		
18 SCH can be chosen from any of the classes listed above plus		
HIST 5803	Oral History Methodology	
HIST 5813	Methods in Public History	
HIST 5911	Independent Study	
HIST 5913	Independent Study	
HIST 5933	Internship	
or HIST 5936	Internship	
<b>Required Courses</b>		
HIST 5033	Research Methods in History	3
HIST 5973	Professional Paper	3
Total SCHs		36

## M.A. in History with Graduate Certificate in Political Science

Couples 21 semester credit hours (SCH) of graduate study in history with 18 SCH of graduate study in political science. Graduates of the certificate program write a professional paper and receive an M.A. in History but earn a certificate in political science and have enough graduate hours to teach in both history and political science in Texas community colleges.

Minimum of 39 semester credit hours, including 3 SCH for the professional paper.

Code	Title	SCHs
<b>U.S. History</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>9</b></span>		
Choose three of the following		
HIST 5003	Studies in 19th Century U.S	
HIST 5093	Women in Early America	
HIST 5123	Religion in an Atlantic World, 1450-1776	
HIST 5143	Early National Period	
HIST 5203	Jefferson to Jackson	
HIST 5303	Progressives	
HIST 5333	The Gilded Age	

HIST 5403	American Experience in World War II	
HIST 5503	Between the Wars	
HIST 5703	U.S. Since 1945	
<b>Non-U.S. history</b>		<b>3</b>
Choose one of the following		
HIST 5103	Renaissance and Reformations	
HIST 5253	History of France	
HIST 5883	Seminar in European History	
HIST 5903	Special Topics (Can be used for any category depending on the subject.)	
<b>Electives</b>		<b>3</b>
One elective can be chosen from any of the classes listed above plus		
HIST 5803	Oral History Methodology	
HIST 5813	Methods in Public History	
HIST 5911	Independent Study	
HIST 5913	Independent Study	
HIST 5933	Internship	
<b>Required Courses</b>		
HIST 5033	Research Methods in History	3
HIST 5973	Professional Paper	3
<b>Graduate Certificate in Political Science</b>		
POLS 5033	Research Methods in Government	3
Global/Comparative Politics - Choose one of the following		3
POLS 5003	Comparative Politics	
POLS 5523	American International Relations	
Political Theory		3
POLS 5723	Seminar in Political Theory	
Public Policy - Choose one of the following		3
POLS 5013	American National Defense Policy	
POLS 5053	The Presidency and Public Policy	
POLS 5193	Rights, Race, and Social Justice	
U.S. Politics, Law, and Government - Choose one of the following		3
POLS 5073	Issues in Constitutional Law	
POLS 5093	Law, Gender, and Sexuality	
POLS 5133	Leadership and Women	
POLS 5163	Women in Politics	
POLS 5263	Women, Elections, and Strategy	
POLS 5303	Problems in the Legislative Process	
POLS 5473	Vietnam War: Culture, History, and Law	
POLS 5493	Women As Citizens	
POLS 5903	Special Topics (can be used for any category depending on the subject.)	
One elective can be chosen from any of the classes listed above plus		3
POLS 5911	Independent Study	
POLS 5913	Independent Study	
POLS 5933	Internship	
Capstone written portfolio and oral defense		
Total SCHs		39

## 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. Students enrolled in the Graduate Certificate in Political Science will complete and defend a portfolio that describes their course work and research in political science.

## Final Examination

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