

PROGRAM IN HISTORY

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The Department of Social Sciences and Historical Studies offers programs leading to the Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, and Master of Arts degrees with majors in History. Special emphasis in public history is available at the graduate level. Also on the graduate level, the department offers a post-baccalaureate certificate in History. The department also offers an undergraduate minor in History as well as programs leading to teacher certification.

For information concerning the Master of Arts degree, and the Master of Arts in Teaching (M.A.T.), see the Graduate Catalog (<http://catalog.twu.edu/graduate/>).

No grade lower than C can be counted toward completion of any major or minor in this department.

Undergraduate Degrees Offered

- B.A. in History (<http://catalog.twu.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/history/history-ba/>)
- B.S. in History (<http://catalog.twu.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/history/history-bs/>)
- B.A. in History (4-8 Social Studies Certification) (<http://catalog.twu.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/history/history-ba-4-8-certification-social-studies/>)
- B.S. in History (4-8 Social Studies Certification) (<http://catalog.twu.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/history/history-bs-4-8-certification-social-studies/>)

Internship Experience

All majors and minors in the Program are encouraged to add a history internship to their classroom curricula. Internships allow students to expand and apply traditional learning through real-life experiences in the local, national, and global workplace. They also provide an opportunity for students to network with professionals in the field and clarify choices when making career decisions.

Teacher Certification

The History Program offers a variety of undergraduate and graduate programs resulting in state teacher certification at the middle school level. Each of the options listed for certification must be completed in compliance with requirements set by the Texas Education Agency and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

All students desiring teacher certification must comply with all certification requirements as outlined by the College of Professional Education (<http://catalog.twu.edu/undergraduate/professional-education/>). Contact the Department of Social Sciences and Historical Studies (<http://www.twu.edu/history-government/>) for details of teacher certification plans.

Admissions

All applicants must meet the general undergraduate admission requirements (<http://catalog.twu.edu/undergraduate/admission-information/>). The following degrees have additional secondary admission criteria:

- B.A. in History (4-8 Social Studies Certification) (<http://catalog.twu.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/history-political-science/history-ba-4-8-certification-social-studies/>)
- B.S. in History (4-8 Social Studies Certification) (<http://catalog.twu.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/history-political-science/history-bs-4-8-certification-social-studies/>)

Faculty

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Asterisk () denotes Graduate Faculty status.*

Courses

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HIST 1013. History of the United States, 1492-1865. (TCCN HIST 1301) Political, economic, social, and cultural development through the Civil War. Satisfies three hours American History Core (60). Three lecture hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 1023. History of the United States, 1865 to the Present. (TCCN HIST 1302) Political, economic, social, and cultural development since the Civil War; emphasis on foreign affairs. Satisfies three hours American History Core (60). Three lecture hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 2013. Survey of World Civilization to 1715. (TCCN HIST 2321) A survey of ancient and medieval culture and history and the beginning of the modern era. Topics include the broad spectrum of human activity, the politics, wars, industry, economics, culture, intellectual thought, science, artistic creations, and the interrelationships both with other cultures and with a world environment. Satisfies Global Perspectives graduation requirement. Three lecture hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 2023. Survey of World Civilization Since 1715. (TCCN HIST 2322) A survey of modern culture and history as related to recent developments. Topics include the broad advances in human society, government, science, literature, philosophy, war and peace, industry, culture, intellectual thought, artistic creations, and the growth of first national and then world economic factors. Emphasis on the myriad of interactions within world civilizations. Satisfies Global Perspectives graduation requirement. Three lecture hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 2713. History of Texas. (TCCN HIST 2301) Survey of the political, social, economic, cultural, and intellectual history of Texas including the myth of Texas, indigenous cultures, Spanish colonization and Spanish Texas, Mexican Texas, the Republic of Texas, statehood and secession, and 20th century development. Three lecture hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 3003. Introduction to the Study of History. Introductory exploration of historical methods, evidentiary analysis, interpretation, and writing. Three seminar hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 3023. American Frontier. Survey of westward expansion between European colonization and 1900. Review of recognizable groups such as trappers, miners, Amerindians, and of famous and infamous individuals. Evolution of attitudes about the frontier and its influence on the national character. Three lecture hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 3093. Women in Early America. Lives and experiences of Native American, African-American, and European-American women from 1600 to 1830 through the lenses of race, sexuality, identity, labor, spirituality, and legal status. Three seminar hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 3103. Colonial America. In-depth study of the period of national development between European colonization and 1790. Emphasis is upon the cultural, religious, economic, and political aspects of the period and upon persons and groups associated with change and continuity in colonial America. Three lecture hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 3143. Native American History. Cultural, social, and political history of U.S. Native American groups from pre-European contact to present. Three seminar hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 3153. Caribbean History. History of Caribbean basin from 1492 to the present; emphasis on colonization, enslavement, rebellion, and American interventionism. Three seminar hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 3433. Historical Britain. Examination and analysis of British history, culture, and governmental institutions at various historical periods of their development. May be repeated for additional credit when content varies. Three lecture hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 3763. History of Colonial Latin America. From colonial times to the present; the origins of a multiracial society; the institutions of empire; independence; national consolidation; problems of modernization and the movements for social revolution. Special emphasis on Argentina, Brazil, Chile, and Mexico. Prerequisite: Six hours of history or consent of instructor. Three lecture hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 4003. Creating the Commonwealth. History, culture, and politics of major Commonwealth nations including Australia and Canada from English colonization through the creation of the modern Commonwealth of nations. Three lecture hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 4103. Renaissance and Reformations. Cross-cultural study of European culture and society from 1350 to 1600; Italian, French, Dutch, Spanish, English, and German artistic achievements, social and political development, and religious reformations compared and contrasted. Three seminar hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 4113. Civil War and Reconstruction. Intense reading and discussion of the Civil War and Reconstruction with a critical eye on various historian's opinions and viewpoints. In-depth look at the Civil War and Reconstruction and how to critically examine and compare historical writings. Three lecture hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 4133. Between the Wars: U.S. in the 1920's and 1930's. Detailed study of the two decades of American life between the Great War and World War I, including an overview of the major political, social, economic and cultural themes of the 1920's and 1930's, emphasizing the long term causes and effects of significant issues and events during this period. Three lecture hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 4143. The Gilded Age. In-depth look at the Gilded Age through intense reading and discussion with a critical eye on various historians' opinions and viewpoints. Critical examination of historical writings from the Gilded Age. Three lecture hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 4183. American Experience in World War II. Military, social, political, and economic aspects of American involvement in World War II. Impact of World War II on American society and culture. Three seminar hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 4193. United States History Since 1945. U.S. history including Cold War, Korea, Vietnam, Civil Rights Movement, and Era of Global Terrorism from 1945 to present. Social, economic, political, and cultural change and continuity across U.S. domestic and foreign policy. Three seminar hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 4233. Global Issues and Trends. A general survey of various nations, regions, and cultures. Emphasis is on the modern period, the historical roots of significant issues, the impact of geography and religion, and the interactions of various ethnic and racial groups. Satisfies Global Perspectives graduation requirement. Three lecture hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 4253. Seminar in 20th Century U.S. History. Concentrated examination and analysis of specific eras in 20th century U.S. history with an emphasis on social, political, and economic development. May be repeated for additional credit when content varies. Three seminar hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 4263. Women in America, 1848-1920. Experiences of American women from 1848-1920; concepts of womanhood; impact of war, slavery, and abolitionism; suffrage; relationships; education and employment. Emphasis on the intersections of class, race, region, and immigrant status. Three seminar hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 4283. Public History Seminar. Experiential examination of specific methods and practices in Public History. Topics vary but may include oral history, local history, digital history, archival management, and museum studies. May be repeated for additional credit when content varies. Three seminar hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 4363. Slavery in the Americas. A broad survey of the many different types of slave systems throughout the Americas and the many different forms of slave resistance. Three lecture hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 4403. Religion in an Atlantic World 1450-1776. Cross-cultural study of religious ideas and practice in colonial America from the pre-Columbian era through 1776; varied religious experiences of indigenous groups, Spanish, French, English, Dutch, and German colonists, and enslaved African Americans are compared and contrasted. Three lecture hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 4513. Modern Europe. Examination and analysis of modern European history, culture, and governmental institutions at various stages of their development. Topics may include histories of modern Russia, Ireland, the European Union, and others. May be repeated for additional credit when content varies. Three lecture hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 4553. History of France. The beginning of an early French culture, the Roman conquest, the cultural panorama of medieval France, growth of the French monarchy, the Renaissance, the Age of Louis XIV, the Age of Reason, the French Revolution and Napoleon, modern France, Charles de Gaulle, and contemporary France and French culture in the world today. Prerequisites: Six hours of history. Three lecture hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 4663. European Cultural Heritage. Survey of the cultural highlights of Western Civilization and the ages which influenced them. The social, political, and religious circumstances and attitudes of people in various periods, and how these affected the great works of literature, art, and music will be examined. Three lecture hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 4803. History Internship. Integrates practical experience with the student's academic program through supervised work in an appropriate professional environment. May be repeated. Prerequisites: Twelve hours of history, including six hours advanced, and approval of internship director. Eight practicum hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 4806. History Internship. Integrates practical experience with the student's academic program through supervised work in an appropriate professional environment. May be repeated. Prerequisites: Twelve hours of history, including six hours advanced, and approval of internship director. Sixteen practicum hours a week. Credit: Six hours.

HIST 4813. Public History. Origins and objectives of public history as a philosophy of history and as a discrete field of study and research. Examination of social, political, economic, and cultural changes that influence the field of public history. Three seminar hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 4823. Public History Seminar. Experiential examination of specific methods and practices in Public History. Topics vary but may include oral history, local history, digital history, archival management, and museum studies. May be repeated for additional credit when content varies. Three seminar hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 4843. Senior Seminar. Capstone course for all history majors; focus on extensive readings and portfolio development including both verbal and written presentation of research findings. Prerequisites: Fifteen hours of advanced history or consent of instructor. Three seminar hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 4873. Everyday Life in Early America. Public history study of material objects (artifacts) in the context of 18th century America and the modern museum. Examination of connections between objects (furniture, tools, houses, clothing) and 18th-century identities. Three seminar hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 4883. War and Society. Various wars and their influence on society; topics including the American experience in World War II, World War II from a non-U.S. perspective, and others. May be repeated for additional credit when content varies. Prerequisite: HIST 1023. Three seminar hours a week. Credit: Three hours.

HIST 4901. Special Topics. Organized course with each section's title and content varying with specific subject matter and topic offered. One lecture hour a week. Credit: One hour.

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HIST 4911. Independent Study. Individual study of selected topics in history. Prerequisites: Six hours of history, junior standing, and consent of instructor. Credit: One hour.

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