**General Education Requirements**

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| **✓** | **Course** | **Sem/Yr** |
| **Humanities & Fine Art** | | |
|  | HIS 2010G or 2020G |  |
|  | HIS 15xxG or HIS 2xxxG |  |
|  | Fine Art |  |
| **Language** | | |
|  | ENG 1001G |  |
|  | ENG 1002G |  |
|  | CMN 1310G |  |
| **Mathematics** | | |
|  | Math |  |

**General Education Requirements**

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| **✓** | **Course** | **Sem/Yr** |
| **Scientific Awareness** | | |
|  | Biology |  |
|  | Physical Science |  |
|  | Lab |  |
| **Social & Behavioral Sciences** | | |
|  | HIS 3600G |  |
|  | Social & Behavioral #2 |  |
|  | Social & Behavioral #3 |  |
| **Senior Seminar or Capstone** | | |
|  | HIS 4375 |  |

**History Core Requirements**

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| **✓** | **Course** | **Sem/Yr** |
|  | HIS 1101 |  |
|  | HIS 2010G or 2020G |  |
|  | HIS 2500 |  |
|  | HIS 2560 |  |
|  | HIS 3555 |  |
|  | HIS 3600G |  |
|  | HIS 4375 |  |

**\*\*History Elective Requirements\*\***

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| **✓** | **Course** | **Sem/Yr** |
|  | HIS 1000+ elective |  |
|  | HIS 3000+ elective (US) |  |
|  | HIS 3000+ elective (US) |  |
|  | HIS 3000+ elective (non-US) |  |
|  | HIS 3000+ elective (non-US) |  |
|  | HIS 4000+ elective |  |
|  | HIS 4000+ elective |  |
|  | HIS 3000+ inclusive elective |  |

**Other University Requirements**

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| **✓** | **Course** | **Sem/Yr** |
| **Cultural Diversity Requirement** | | |
|  | Cultural diversity course |  |
| **Foreign Language Requirement** | | |
|  | Two semesters |  |
| **Electronic Writing Portfolio** | | |
|  | EWP #1 |  |
|  | EWP #2 |  |
| **Credits** | | |
|  | 120 Credit Hours |  |
|  | 40 Upper-Level Credit Hours |  |
|  | 42 Credit Hours at EIU |  |

Note: Honors equivalents count for requirements listed above, e.g. HIS 2090G in place of HIS 2010G

**HIS Major FAQ**

**When should I take HIS 1101?**

* As soon as possible! HIS 1101 is a prerequisite for HIS 2500: Historical Research and Writing and SOS 3400: Social Science Teaching Methods. HIS 1101 also introduces you to the discipline, to the faculty, and to careers for historians, including teaching —all things you should be thinking about as soon as you decide to major in history.

**Should I take HIS 2500 before I take upper-division courses?**

* Yes! While upper-division history electives don’t have formal prerequisites, they do entail considerable research and writing. That’s why we strongly recommend you take HIS 2500 before taking upper-division history courses. You’ll get so much more out of them. But beware: HIS 2500 is not offered every semester, so if you have the opportunity, don’t pass it up!

**How many history gen ed courses can I take toward my History major or minor?**

* HIS students must take HIS 2010G or HIS 2020G and HIS 3600G. Additionally, they can also take one of the 1000 or 2000-level HIS general education electives.

**Are required history courses offered every semester?**

* Unfortunately, no, so you should plan accordingly. HIS 1101 and HIS 3555 are usually offered in Fall semesters, and HIS 2500, HIS 2560, and HIS 4375 in Spring semesters. However, this is not a firm rule, so be sure to check the class schedule when registering for classes and register for courses when you can.