

History Major Checklist

Catalogs Fall 2016 to Present (updated May 2021)

General Education Requirements

Sem	Yr	Course	Grade
Humanities & Fine Art			
		HIS 15xxG or other	
		HIS 2010/90G or HIS 2020/90G	
		Fine Art	
Language			
		ENG 1001G/1091G	
		ENG 1002G/1092G	
		CMN 1310G/1390G	
Mathematics			
		Math	

Major Regs: History

Sem	Yr	Course	Grade
Fa		HIS 1101 (1 s.h.)	
		HIS 2010/90G or HIS 2020/90G	
		HIS 2500	
Sp		HIS 2560	
Fa		HIS 3555	
		HIS 3600G/3690G	
Sp		HIS 4375	

Other Requirements

Cultural Diversity Req.			
Sem	Yr	Course	Met?
		Cultural Diversity Course	
Foreign Language Req. (2 semesters or H.S.)			
Sem	Yr	Course	Grade
		For. Language Sem. #1	
		For. Language Sem. #2	
Electronic Writing Portfolio			
Sem	Yr	Submission	Passed?
		EWP #1	
		EWP #2	
		EWP #3	

General Education Requirements

Sem	Yr	Course	Grade
Scientific Awareness			
		Biology (3 or 4 cu)	
		Physical Science (3 or 4 cu)	
		Lab requirement	
Social & Behavioral Sciences			
		HIS 3600G/36090G	
		Other #1	
		Other #2	
Senior Seminar or Study Abroad Capstone			
		EIU 41xxG or STA 4000G	

Major Reqs: Electives

Sem	Yr	Course	Grade
		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+ Elective	
		HIS 1000+ Elective	

Minor if Applicable

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FAQ for History majors, minors, and enthusiasts

When should I take HIS 1101?

- ❖ As soon as possible! HIS 1101 is a prerequisite for HIS 2500: Historical Research and Writing. It also introduces you to the discipline, to the faculty, and to careers for historians—all things you should be thinking about as soon as you decide you are interested in majoring or minoring (or just studying) 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 HIS 15xx courses can I take toward my History major or minor?

- ❖ One for majors and two for minors. Majors can take one of HIS 1500G, HIS 1521G, HIS 1522G, HIS 1523G, HIS 1524G, HIS 1525G, HIS 1526G (and their honors equivalents) toward degree. Minors can take two. HIS-TL students must take HIS 1500G.

Are required HIS 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.