

Associate in Arts Degree

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## History

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### Program Information

The history major fosters an understanding of ourselves and our world through the study of the past—both remote and recent. The program develops critical thinking and a broad background in issues and ideas from our past. The major thus prepares students for transfer to B.A. programs in history. It also offers all students fundamental preparation for careers in business, government, teaching, and a number of professional fields (for example, paralegal or law careers).

### Upon completion of this program, the student will be able to:

- evaluate historical questions with an understanding of the roles played by multiple causes and consequences and with an understanding that chronological sequence is important.
- recognize that interpretations of the past change and evaluate the basic strengths and weaknesses of competing interpretations.
- identify and use documents and secondary sources and cite them appropriately.
- evaluate primary and secondary sources and arguments.
- write essays in the form and format appropriate to history as a discipline
- demonstrate that understanding the past allows us to be more informed citizens, to have a critical understanding of society and social options.
- recognize the inclusive and exclusionary distinctions of diverse cultural heritages, based on race, gender, class, creed, or other conditions.
- analyze basic developments and ideas from early United States history.
- analyze basic developments and ideas from US history since Reconstruction.
- examine historical events in specific world regions, as well as large trends and themes up through 1500.
- examine historical events in specific world regions, as well as large trends and themes since 1500.
- demonstrate learning in a specific historical content area of the student's choice.

### Required Program

### Units

Introduction to Early United States History: .....	3
HIST 310 History of the United States (3) or HIST 320 History of the United States: African-American Emphasis (3) or HIST 483 History of the United States - Honors (3)	

Introduction to Recent United States History: .....	3
HIST 311 History of the United States (3) or HIST 321 History of the United States: African-American Emphasis (3) or HIST 484 History of the United States - Honors (3)	

Western Civilization or World History:.....	6
HIST 300 History of Western Civilization (3) and HIST 302 History of Western Civilization (3) or HIST 307 History of World Civilizations to 1500 (3) and HIST 308 History of World Civilizations, 1500 to Present (3)	

Breadth Area: A minimum of 3 units from the following:.....	3
HIST 360 History of African Civilizations (3) HIST 364 Asian Civilization (3) HIST 365 Asian Civilization (3) HIST 370 History of the Americas through the 19th Century Wars of Independence (3) HIST 371 History of the Americas from the 19th Century Wars of Independence to the Present (3) HIST 373 History of Mexico (3) HIST 380 History of the Middle East (3)	

A minimum of 3 units from the following.....	3
One additional history course	

**Total Units Required** **18**

### Associate in Arts (A.A.) Degree

The Associate in Arts degree may be obtained by completion of the required program, plus general education requirements, plus sufficient electives to meet a 60 unit total. See SCC graduation requirements.

### Transfer Program

Transfer Program: Transfer students should consult the Requirements of Transfer Institutions in this catalog and the History or related major sections of the specific catalog for the institution to which they wish to transfer to determine admissions, general education, and major requirements. Consultation with an SCC counselor is advised.

## History (HIST)

### HISTORY

#### **HIST 300 History of Western Civilization 3 Units**

*Prerequisite:* None.

*Advisory:* Completion of ENGWR 100 with a grade of C or better or ESLW 320 and ESLR 320 with grades of C or better.

*General Education:* AA/AS Area V(b); AA/AS Area I; CSU Area C2; CSU Area D6; IGETC Area 3B

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours:* 54 hours LEC

This is a study of Western Civilization from pre-historic times to the Renaissance. The focus of the course will be on the history of Europe, including a general account of those political, economic, and social institutions as well as the cultural and intellectual forces that help explain our present day civilization. The course includes the general study of the nature of history, prehistorical culture, the Ancient Near East, Greece, Rome, the Middle Ages and the Renaissance.

#### **HIST 302 History of Western Civilization 3 Units**

*Prerequisite:* None.

*Advisory:* Completion of ENGWR 100 or ESLW 320 and ESLR 320 with grades of "C" or better.

*General Education:* AA/AS Area V(b); AA/AS Area I; CSU Area C2; CSU Area D6; IGETC Area 3B

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours:* 54 hours LEC

This course is a study of Western Civilization concentrating on the history of Europe. A general account of political, economic, and social institutions as well as the cultural and intellectual forces that help explain our present day civilization will be covered from the High Renaissance to the present.

#### **HIST 305 Women in Western Civilization 3 Units**

*Prerequisite:* None.

*Advisory:* Completion of ENGWR 100 with a grade of "C" or better, or ESLW 320 and ESLR 320 with grades of "C" or better.

*General Education:* AA/AS Area V(b); AA/AS Area I; CSU Area C2; CSU Area D6; IGETC Area 3B

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours:* 54 hours LEC

This course surveys women's contributions to the major ideas, institutions, and events of Western Civilization. Diversified roles of women are examined from antiquity to the present with emphasis on the interaction of the sexes. The effects on the society of the patriarchal structure of the family and consequently the pervasive impact on all institutions of western culture are closely examined.

#### **HIST 307 History of World Civilizations 3 Units to 1500**

*Prerequisite:* None.

*Advisory:* Completion of ENGWR 100 with a grade of "C" or better or ESLW 320 and ESLR 320 with grades of "C" or better.

*General Education:* AA/AS Area V(b); AA/AS Area VI; CSU Area C2; CSU Area D6; IGETC Area 4F

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours:* 54 hours LEC

This course surveys world history to 1500 with an emphasis on the dynamic interaction of cultures and peoples. The course will emphasize the role of social, political, economic, cultural and intellectual forces as they shape the major world civilizations. It will also focus on the legacy of these civilizations and their contributions to our present cultures.

#### **HIST 308 History of World Civilizations, 3 Units 1500 to Present**

*Prerequisite:* None.

*Advisory:* Completion of ENGWR 100 or ESLW 320 and ESLR 320 with grades of "C" or better.

*General Education:* AA/AS Area V(b); AA/AS Area VI; CSU Area C2; CSU Area D6; IGETC Area 4F

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours:* 54 hours LEC

This course is a survey of world history from 1500 to the present with an emphasis on the dynamic interaction of cultures and peoples. The focus is on the role played by social, political, economic, cultural, and intellectual forces in shaping the major world civilizations, the legacies of these civilizations, and the on-going tension between tradition and modernity.

#### **HIST 309 World History in the Twentieth Century 3 Units**

*Prerequisite:* None.

*Advisory:* Completion of ENGWR 100 with a grade of "C" or better, or ESLW 320 and ESLR 320 with grades of "C" or better.

*General Education:* AA/AS Area V(b); AA/AS Area VI; CSU Area D6; IGETC Area 4F

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours:* 54 hours LEC

This course examines the major historical developments of the 20th Century world: nationalist and revolutionary movements; the development of modern capitalist, communist, and fascist systems; the dynamics of modern colonialism; postcolonial challenges; ethnic conflict, and the emergence of new global systems.

#### **HIST 310 History of the United States 3 Units**

*Prerequisite:* None.

*Advisory:* Completion of ENGWR 100 with a grade of "C" or better, or ESLW 320 and ESLR 320 with grades of "C" or better.

*General Education:* AA/AS Area V(a); AA/AS Area VI; CSU Area D5; CSU Area D6; CSU Area F1; CSU Area F2; IGETC Area 4F

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours:* 54 hours LEC

This course covers the development of American Institutions and society through Reconstruction and partially fulfills American Institutions requirements. The course emphasizes the role played by political, economic, social, cultural, and intellectual forces on the culture and development of multiple ethnic groups in a comparative format.

**HIST 311 History of the United States 3 Units**

*Prerequisite:* None.

*Advisory:* Completion of ENGWR 100 with a grade of "C" or better, or ESLW 320 and ESLR 320 with grades of "C" or better.

*General Education:* AA/AS Area V(a); AA/AS Area VI; CSU Area D6; CSU Area F1; CSU Area F3; IGETC Area 4F

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours:* 54 hours LEC

This course covers the development of American Institutions and society from Reconstruction to the present and partially fulfills American Institutions requirements. The course emphasizes the role played by political, economic, social, cultural, and intellectual forces on the culture and development of multiple ethnic groups in a comparative format.

**HIST 314 Recent United States History 3 Units**

*Prerequisite:* None.

*Advisory:* Completion of ENGWR 100 with a grade of "C" or better, or ESLW 320 and ESLR 320 with grades of "C" or better.

*General Education:* AA/AS Area V(a); CSU Area D6; IGETC Area 4F

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours:* 54 hours LEC

This course covers United States history from 1945 to the present, offering an in-depth study of post-World War II United States history. Emphasis will be placed on domestic policy, foreign policy, and social and political movements.

**HIST 320 History of the United States: African-American Emphasis 3 Units**

*Prerequisite:* None.

*Advisory:* Completion of ENGWR 100 with a grade of "C" or better or ESLR 320 and ESLW 320 with grades of "C" or better.

*General Education:* AA/AS Area V(a); AA/AS Area VI; CSU Area D3; CSU Area D6; CSU Area F1; CSU Area F2; IGETC Area 4F

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours:* 54 hours LEC

Covering the U.S. Constitution and founding of American governmental institutions, this course focuses on United States history from the establishment of the first New World colonies to the end of the Civil War. This course will pay particular attention to the ways in which black people have influenced the formation and development of this nation. This course will also examine the ways in which racial issues have shaped American society, culture, and politics.

**HIST 321 History of the United States: African-American Emphasis 3 Units**

*Prerequisite:* None.

*Advisory:* Completion of ENGWR 100 with a grade of "C" or better or ESLR 320 and ESLW 320 with grades of "C" or better.

*General Education:* AA/AS Area V(a); AA/AS Area VI; CSU Area D3; CSU Area D6; CSU Area F1; CSU Area F3; IGETC Area 4F

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours:* 54 hours LEC

This course focuses on United States history from 1865 to Present, including coverage of state and local government, with an emphasis on the role of African Americans. This course will pay close attention to the ways in which black people have shaped American society, culture, and politics.

**HIST 344 Survey of California History: A Multicultural Perspective 3 Units**

*Prerequisite:* None.

*Advisory:* Completion of ENGWR 100 with a grade of "C" or better, or ESLW 320 and ESLR 320 with grades of "C" or better.

*General Education:* AA/AS Area V(b); AA/AS Area VI; CSU Area D6; IGETC Area 4F

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours:* 54 hours LEC

This course is a survey of the history of California with an emphasis on the evolution of the state as a multicultural society, beginning with Native Californian cultures and continuing to the present. Above all, the course evaluates the historical experiences and dynamic interaction of Mexican, Asian, African American, European American, and other cultural groups. Field trips to local sites of historical significance may be included.

**HIST 360 History of African Civilizations 3 Units**

*Prerequisite:* None.

*Advisory:* Completion of ENGWR 100 with a grade of "C" or better, or ESLR 320 and ESLW 320 with grades of "C" or better.

*General Education:* AA/AS Area V(b); AA/AS Area VI; CSU Area C2; CSU Area D6; IGETC Area 3B; IGETC Area 4F

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours:* 54 hours LEC

This course is an introductory survey of African history from prehistory to the present. Major topics will include the rise of societies and states in Africa to 1500 CE, the Atlantic slave trade, European colonialism, and the emergence of nation states in modern Africa. The course examines the development of social, political, and economic institutions in Africa, the interactions of peoples and cultures, and the impact of the outside influences of Islam and the West on African history.

**HIST 364 Asian Civilization 3 Units**

*Prerequisite:* None.

*Advisory:* Completion of ENGWR 100 with a grade of "C" or better, or ESLR 320 and ESLW 320 with grades of "C" or better

*General Education:* AA/AS Area V(b); AA/AS Area I; AA/AS Area VI; CSU Area C2; CSU Area D6; IGETC Area 3B

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours:* 54 hours LEC

This course provides a general survey of Asian civilizations with an emphasis on East Asia, from earliest known settlements through 1600. The course will highlight overviews of the various political, philosophical, cultural, and religious foundations in China, Korea, Japan, and India and examine the influence of these states on each other and the rest of Asia.

**HIST 365 Asian Civilization 3 Units**

*Prerequisite:* None.

*Advisory:* Completion of ENGWR 100 with a grade of "C" or better, or ESLR 320 and ESLW 320 with grades of "C" or better

*General Education:* AA/AS Area V(b); AA/AS Area I; AA/AS Area VI; CSU Area C2; CSU Area D6; IGETC Area 3B

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours:* 54 hours LEC

This course provides an examination of the political, social, economic and cultural transformation of Asia since 1600 with an emphasis on East Asia. A focus will be placed on how these cultures responded to meet the challenges of western civilization.

**HIST 370 History of the Americas through the 19th Century Wars of Independence 3 Units**

*Prerequisite:* None.

*Advisory:* Completion of ENGWR 100 or ESLR 320 and ESLW 320 with grades of "C" or better.

*General Education:* AA/AS Area V(a); AA/AS Area VI; CSU Area D6; CSU Area F1; IGETC Area 4F

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours:* 54 hours LEC

This course provides a general historical survey of the Americas, North and South, from Precolumbian times through the Wars of Independence in the 19th century.

**HIST 371 History of the Americas from the 19th Century Wars of Independence to the Present 3 Units**

*Prerequisite:* None.

*Advisory:* Completion of ENGWR 100 or ESLR 320 and ESLW 320 with grades of "C" or better.

*General Education:* AA/AS Area V(a); AA/AS Area VI; CSU Area D6; CSU Area F1; IGETC Area 4F

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours:* 54 hours LEC

This course offers a general survey of the Americas, North, South, and Central, from the 19th Century Wars of Independence to the present day. Special emphasis is placed on the comparison of the political and economic development of the United States and that of Latin America, as well as on Latin American-United States relations.

**HIST 373 History of Mexico 3 Units**

*Prerequisite:* None.

*Advisory:* Completion of ENGWR 100 or ESLR 320 and ESLW 320 with grades of "C" or better.

*General Education:* AA/AS Area V(b); AA/AS Area I; AA/AS Area VI; CSU Area C2; CSU Area D6; IGETC Area 3B

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours:* 54 hours LEC

A general history course of Mexico from earliest times to the present, this course provides a comprehensive study of Indian-Mexico, the Spanish conquest, Colonial New Spain, War of Independence, Age of Santa Ana, Reign of Diaz, Revolution of 1910, and reconstruction and contemporary Mexico.

**HIST 380 History of the Middle East 3 Units**

*Prerequisite:* None.

*Advisory:* Completion of ENGWR 100 with a grade of "C" or better or ESLR 320 and ESLW 320 with grades of "C" or better.

*General Education:* AA/AS Area V(b); AA/AS Area I; AA/AS Area VI; CSU Area C2; CSU Area D6; IGETC Area 4C; IGETC Area 4F

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours:* 54 hours LEC

This course surveys the history of the Middle East (Southwest Asia) and North Africa with emphasis on the period from the 6th century CE (AD) to the present. The course focuses on the major social, economic, political and cultural transformations of the region, while taking into account both regional and global contexts of interaction and change in a comparative format. This course will provide students with a historical understanding of the impact of European colonialism, the discovery of petroleum and its consequences, the Palestinian-Israeli conflict, and the role played by the United States in the region.

**HIST 400 Critical Thinking in History 3 Units**

*Prerequisite:* ENGWR 300 with a grade of "C" or better

*Advisory:* Successful completion of at least one college history course.

*General Education:* AA/AS Area V(b); AA/AS Area II(b); CSU Area A3; IGETC Area 1B

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours:* 54 hours LEC

Students will apply critical thinking skills to historical problems and contemporary issues. Assigned writing projects will develop critical thinking skills and a working knowledge of the problems and opportunities facing the discipline of history in the world of post-modernism and the World Wide Web. Students will be required to successfully complete writing projects totaling at least 8,500 words, including an extended research project.

**HIST 483 History of the United States - Honors 3 Units**

*Prerequisite:* None.

*General Education:* AA/AS Area V(a); AA/AS Area VI; CSU Area D6; CSU Area F1; CSU Area F2; IGETC Area 4F

*Enrollment Limitation:* Eligibility for the Honors Program.

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours:* 54 hours LEC

This course covers the development of American Institutions and society through Reconstruction and partially fulfills American Institutions requirements. The course emphasizes the role played by political, economic, social, cultural, and intellectual forces on the culture and development of multiple ethnic groups in a comparative format. The class is conducted in a seminar format and requires that the student engage in the reading of at least four other major books besides the required text. This honors section uses an intensive instructional methodology and is designed to challenge motivated students.

## **HIST 484 History of the United States - 3 Units Honors**

*Prerequisite: None.*

*General Education: AA/AS Area V(a); AA/AS Area VI; CSU Area D6;  
CSU Area F1; CSU Area F3; IGETC Area 4F*

*Enrollment Limitation: Eligibility for the Honors Program.*

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours: 54 hours LEC*

The course will focus on the development of American institutions from 1877 to the present. It is not recommended for students who have completed HIST 317. This honors section uses an intensive instructional methodology designed to challenge motivated students.

## **HIST 485 Recent United States History - 3 Units Honors**

*Prerequisite: Admission to the Honors Program.*

*General Education: AA/AS Area V(a); CSU Area D6; IGETC Area 4F*

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours: 54 hours LEC*

The course covers United States history from 1945 to the present, offering an in-depth study of post World War II U.S. History. Emphasis will be placed on domestic policy, foreign policy, and social and political movements. This honors section uses an intensive instructional methodology designed to challenge motivated students.

## **HIST 494 Topics in History .5-4 Units**

*Prerequisite: None*

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU; UC Transfer credit will be awarded only after the course has been evaluated by the enrolling UC campus. The units completed for this course cannot be counted toward the minimum 60 units required for admissions.*

*Hours: 54 hours LEC*

Content will differ each time course is offered. Objective is to focus content on issues of national and international significance at the time of offering course.

## **HIST 495 Independent Studies in History 1-3 Units**

*Prerequisite: None*

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU; UC Transfer credit will be awarded only after the course has been evaluated by the enrolling UC campus. The units completed for this course cannot be counted toward the minimum 60 units required for admissions.*

*Hours: 54 hours LAB*

See Independent Studies

## **HIST 499 Experimental Offering in History .5-4 Units**

*Prerequisite: None*

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU; UC Transfer credit will be awarded only after the course has been evaluated by the enrolling UC campus. The units completed for this course cannot be counted toward the minimum 60 units required for admissions.*

*Hours: 54 hours LEC*

See Experimental Offerings