

HI: Courses in History

Department of History

HI 101-102 History of Western Civilization 6 Cr

A survey of the chief political, economic, social, intellectual, religious, and cultural developments of the West in their historical context. Required for all history majors. Offered annually.

HI 201 Greek History 3 Cr

A study of the Greek experience with special emphasis on the political, social, economic, and cultural factors which have influenced modern civilization. Fall semester, odd-numbered years.

HI 202 Roman History 3 Cr

A study of the Roman experience with special emphasis on the political, economic, social, and cultural factors which have influenced modern civilization. Spring semester, even-numbered years.

HI 203-204 Medieval History 6 Cr

The development of Europe from the decline of the Roman Empire to the beginning of the 16th century. Fall semester, even-numbered years and spring odd-numbered years.

HI 211 History of Modern Europe to 1870 3 Cr

A survey of the major political, social, economic and intellectual developments from 1648 to 1870. This course may be used to meet history major or minor program requirements. Offered annually in the Fall semester.

HI 212 History of Modern Europe since 1870 3 Cr

A survey of the major political, social, economic and intellectual development from 1870 to the present. This course may be used to meet history major or minor program requirements. Offered annually in the Spring semester.

HI 221-222 History of the United States 6 Cr

An introductory survey of the American experience from the Age of Exploration to the present, with emphasis on those national traits which continue to influence American attitudes and actions. Required of all history majors. Offered annually.

HI 231 Montana and the West 3 Cr

An introductory survey of Montana's past and its importance in the development of the West, from the period of exploration to the present. Fall semester, odd-numbered years.

HI 251 Introduction to East Asia 3 Cr

A survey of Chinese, Japanese, and Korean culture and history, with emphasis on the 19th and 20th centuries. Fall semester, even-numbered years.

HI 271 History of Modern Latin America 3 Cr

A survey of the major trends in the political, social, economic and intellectual development of Latin America since independence. The primary focus will be on the histories of Mexico, Cuba, Brazil and Argentina, although examples from across the region will be studied. Fall semester. Fulfills global diversity requirement.

HI 301-302 History of the Catholic Church 6 Cr

An introductory survey of the history of the Catholic Church from the time of Christ to the present post-conciliar period, emphasizing the organic development of the Church in its historical context through the ages. Fall semester, even-numbered years and spring semester, odd-numbered years.

HI 303 Renaissance History 3 Cr

A history of the Renaissance in Europe from the beginning of the 14th century to the middle of the 16th century, with emphasis on the intellectual and cultural achievements of that period. Fall semester, odd-numbered years.

HI 304 History of the Reformation 3 Cr

A history of the Reformation from the beginning of the 16th century to the middle of the 17th century, including a treatment of the complex political, economic, social, and cultural milieu in which religious differences arose. Emphasis is on the theological disputes which shattered the unity of medieval Christendom. Spring semester, even-numbered years.

HI 305 The Long Nineteenth Century: Europe, 1789-1918 3 Cr

An interpretative course which investigates a number of significant themes in the history of nineteenth century Europe. Revolution, liberalism and nationalism, industrialization, the question of class, diplomacy and imperialism are among the subjects to be examined. Spring semester, odd-numbered years. Fulfills writing intensive requirement.

HI 307 Contemporary Europe: Politics, Society and Culture since 1945 3 Cr

An interpretative course which examines various themes in the history of the Continent since the end of the Second World War. The reconstruction of Europe, the trials of war criminals, the Cold War, the protests of the 1960s, European integration and the collapse of Communism are some of the topics that will be examined. Spring semester, even-numbered years. Fulfills writing intensive requirement.

HI 312 History of Modern Britain 3 Cr

A history of Great Britain since 1688. The emphasis will be on political, social and cultural developments. Special emphasis will be placed on the development of British identity in these years. Fall semester, odd-numbered years. Fulfills writing intensive requirement.

HI 314 History of Modern France 3 Cr

A history of France since 1715, with emphasis on the political, cultural and social debates that have shaped the country since that time. Spring semester, even-numbered years. Fulfills writing intensive requirement.

HI 316 History of Modern Germany 3 Cr

A history of Germany from 1648 to the present, with an emphasis on the nineteenth and twentieth centuries and the questions of political unity, militarism and economic development. Fall semester, even-numbered years. Fulfills writing intensive requirement.

HI 317 The Weimar Republic: The Path to the Nazi Dictatorship 3 Cr

An analytical study of Germany during the time of the Weimar Republic (1919-1933). Special emphasis is placed on political, intellectual, economic, and military developments during a critical phase of German history. Offered at the discretion of the department.

HI 320 History of Modern Russia 3 Cr

A history of Russia from Kievan times to the Confederation of Independent States (CIS). Special attention is given to political and intellectual progress. Offered at the discretion of the department.

HI 321 Topics in the History of Spain & Portugal 3 Cr

An investigation of several themes and periods in the history of Spain and Portugal. Topics to be examined will range from the medieval period to the creation of overseas empires, to the crises of the nineteenth centuries and the dictatorships of the twentieth. This course is not a survey, but will instead be organized on a thematic and topical approach. Offered at the discretion of the instructor.

HI 322 Civil War and Reconstruction 3 Cr

An investigation of the ideas, personalities, and events of the critical years between 1830-1890. Includes an examination of abolitionists, sectionalism, civil rights, and military action. Spring semester, even-numbered years.

HI 323 20th Century American History 3 Cr

An interpretive examination of the special forces that have shaped American history, from 1900 to the present, with particular emphasis on the social and cultural aspects of the period. Spring semester, odd-numbered years.

HI 352 American - East Asian Relations 3 Cr

An analytical survey of America's interaction with East Asia since 1800. Special emphasis is placed on economic, religious, cultural, diplomatic, and military exchanges. Spring semester, odd-numbered years.

HI 372 History of Modern Mexico 3 Cr

A history of Mexico since independence. Particular focus will be placed on political and economic development, social change, the Revolutionary period, and the question of U.S.-Mexican relations. Spring semester, odd-numbered years. Fulfills global diversity requirement.

HI 382 The Second World War Era 3 Cr

This course will allow students to examine the period of the Second World War in considerable depth. The origins of the war and subsequent diplomacy, the military dimension of the conflict, the Holocaust, and the impact of the war away from the front lines will all be themes of the course. The diversity of experience between 1939-1945 is striking. This course does not attempt to be a survey, but rather will seek to give students the opportunity to examine some of the most significant and controversial issues of the period. Offered summers at the discretion of the instructor.

HI 411 The Holocaust 3 Cr

An examination of the destruction of European Jewry within Nazi-dominated Europe. The origins of, development of and response to the Holocaust will be assessed using a variety of resources. Fall semester, odd-numbered years.

HI 421-422 American Diplomatic History 6 Cr

An analytical survey of major developments and trends in United States diplomacy from the American Revolution to the present. Fall semester, odd-numbered years and spring semester, even-numbered years.

HI 424 History of the Trans-Mississippi West 3 Cr

A topical study of the Trans-Mississippi West from the late 18th through the 20th centuries. Special emphasis on the myths and symbolism of the West, and on the West's impact on the nation's attitudes and values. Fall semester, even-numbered years.

HI 486 Readings and Conference 1-3 Cr

An informal seminar course with readings and reports in selected periods of history. Offered by arrangement. Prerequisite: Consent of the department chairperson and Vice President for Academic Affairs. See Independent Study.

HI 493 Historical Research Practicum 3 Cr

A practical research course conducted at the Montana Historical Society. Designed to familiarize research-oriented students with research, methodology, and historical materials. Prerequisite: Junior standing and consent of the instructor. Offered each semester on an arranged basis. This course may be taken more than once.

HI 494 Historiography 3 Cr

A formal seminar which surveys theories and literature of history as seen in the work of a variety of historians. Emphasis will be on methodological and topical approaches. Required for all history majors. Offered annually in the Spring semester. Fulfills writing intensive requirement.

HI 495 Research Seminar in History 3 Cr

A formal seminar in which the students research, write, and evaluate major papers based on primary and secondary source materials. Required for all history majors. Fall semester.