HISTORY (HIST)

Courses primarily for undergraduates:

AF AM 469X: History of Racial Violence in Europe and the United States, 1865-1945
(Cross-listed with HIST 469X).
History of racial and genocidal violence comparing the experiences of Black, Latino/a/x, Native, and Asian peoples in the United States with Jewish people, the Romani, and people of African descent in Europe. The class focuses on the forms of individual and state-sponsored violence, culminating in the Holocaust. Field trip to Washington, D.C. Meets U.S. Diversity Requirement.

HIST 1950: Introduction to History
Credits: 1. Contact Hours: Lecture 1.
Introduction to the discipline of history and how historians think and work. Focus on research methodologies, writing and analytical practices of historians, and specialization in the discipline.

HIST 2010: Introduction to Western Civilization I
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Western civilization from ancient Mediterranean world to 1500. Social and cultural developments; economic and political ideas and institutions; problems of historical change and continuity. Meets International Perspectives Requirement. (Typically Offered: Fall)

HIST 2020: Introduction to Western Civilization II
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Western civilization from 1500 to present. Social and cultural developments; economic and political ideas and institutions; problems of historical change and continuity. Meets International Perspectives Requirement. (Typically Offered: Spring)

HIST 2070: Chinese Civilization
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Origins, development, decline and transformation of China from earliest times to 1911. Meets International Perspectives Requirement.

HIST 2110: Ancient Empires: From Sargon to Caesar
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 2, Discussion 1.
Development of empires in the Near East and Mediterranean from the Akkadians to the fall of Rome. Discussion of the Hittites, Assyrians, Persians, Athenians, Macedonians (including the conquests of Alexander the Great), Carthaginians, and Romans; examination of imperialism as well as the social, cultural, and economic consequences of empire. Meets International Perspectives Requirement. (Typically Offered: Fall, Spring)

HIST 2120: Medieval Kingdoms
Survey of political, social, and cultural developments in western Europe for the entire medieval period, 300-1500.

HIST 2210: Survey of United States History I
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Colonial foundations: revolution, confederation, and constitution; nationalism and democracy; sectional disunity, Civil War, and reunion. (Typically Offered: Fall)

HIST 2220: Survey of United States History II
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 2, Discussion 1.
Industrialization; emergence as a great power; boom and depression; war, internationalism and Cold War; modern industrial society. (Typically Offered: Spring)

HIST 2550: Modern World History, Globalization in Perspective
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
World history from 1500 to present. Globalization; colonization and empire; political revolutions; industrialization; modernization. Meets International Perspectives Requirement.

HIST 2710: The History of Sports in the United States
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Professionalization of sports from their origins as invented recreational activities to their present status as fiscally privileged, legally protected cultural icons. Covering the period from the 17th to the end of the 20th century. (Typically Offered: Spring)

HIST 2800: Introduction to History of Science I
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Ideas of nature from ancient Greece to the seventeenth-century scientific revolution. Meets International Perspectives Requirement.

HIST 2810: Introduction to History of Science II
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Science from seventeenth-century scientific revolution to Darwin and Einstein. Meets International Perspectives Requirement.

HIST 2840: Wonders of the World, Global History of Innovation
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Innovation across cultures from the ancient ‘Seven Wonders of the World’ to the modern world, with developments in Egypt, Greece, Rome, the Islamic World, India, China, Europe, and the Americas. Topics include major inventions, agricultural technologies, architecture, manufacturing, warfare, engineering, printing, entertainment, transport, and communications. Meets International Perspectives Requirement. (Typically Offered: Fall)
HIST 3010: The Historian's Toolbox
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: History major; Sophomore classification
Foundations of the discipline with emphasis on the purpose, practice, and methodology of History. Required of majors. (Typically Offered: Fall, Spring)

HIST 3040: Cultural Heritage of the Ancient World
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Historical examination of art, literature, thought, and religious beliefs of major civilizations of the ancient Mediterranean countries until the end of the 8th century.

HIST 3070: American Popular Culture
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Social practices, beliefs and material traits of everyday life in America from the mid-19th century to the present. Includes literature, music, theater and other entertainments. Dime novels, vaudeville, rock and roll music, Hollywood and establishment of professional athletic leagues are among the cultural artifacts and phenomena considered.

HIST 3100: Africa to 1880
(Cross-listed with AFAM 3100).
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Survey of the history of African societies, cultures and civilizations from earliest times to 1880. Evolution of states across the continent; social, economic, political, and cultural developments; nature and consequences of African interactions and relationship with Europeans. Meets International Perspectives Requirement.

HIST 3110: Africa under Colonial Rule
(Cross-listed with AFAM 3110).
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Development of Africa from imposition of colonial rule to independence, including processes of European domination, African reaction and resistance, emergence of nationalism, and dismantling of colonialism. Meets International Perspectives Requirement.

HIST 3180: History of Early Modern Europe, 1450-1789
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Survey of major themes in the social, political, cultural, and religious history of early modern Europe, including the eras of renaissance and reformation, the age of exploration, development of the modern individual and household, and enlightenment.

HIST 3200: History of Modern Europe, 1789 to Present
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Survey of major themes in the social, political, and religious history of Europe from the French Revolution to the present. Topics to be covered include the French Revolution, nationalism, the Industrial Revolution, the Russian Revolution, World Wars I and II, the Cold War, the fall of the Soviet Union, and the history of globalization. Meets International Perspectives Requirement. (Typically Offered: Fall)

HIST 3250: Society and Politics in England, 1525-1700
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Social, cultural, demographic, and economic experiences. Religious Reformation. Growth of the State (and Empire) and political institutions.

HIST 3270: History of the British Empire
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Development of British Empire from origins in the seventeenth century to dissolution in the twentieth century. Attention given to empire in S. Pacific, N. America, India and S. Asia, Hong Kong, Africa and the Middle East, as well as theories of empire and the impact of immigration on British society. Irish history also covered. Meets International Perspectives Requirement.

HIST 3310: History of the Islamic World to 1800
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Survey of the Islamic world from pre-Islamic Arabia to the 19th century covering the life of the Prophet Muhammad, the spread of Islam through the Arab conquests and the Caliphal dynasties of the Umayyads and the Abbasids, the Mongol conquests, Turkic migrations from Central Asia, and the rise of the Ottoman Empire. (Typically Offered: Fall)

HIST 3360: Ancient China
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
History of China from the beginning of civilization through the Opium War; examines social, political, economic, and cultural developments. Meets International Perspectives Requirement.

HIST 3370: Modern China
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
History of China from the Opium War through the founding of the PRC; examines the reforms and revolutions in China’s road toward modernity. Meets International Perspectives Requirement.
HIST 3390: US-Asian Relations
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Survey of US-East Asian (Japan, China, Korea) relations from the late 18th century to the end of the Cold War. Meets International Perspectives Requirement.

HIST 3400: Colonial Latin America
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Colonial Latin American history from European discovery and colonization to 1825.

HIST 3410: Modern Latin America
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Modern Latin American history from 1826 to present. Meets International Perspectives Requirement.

HIST 3450X: History of American Business
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
American business history from the Revolution to present; reviews agriculture, industrialization, technological change, depressions, wars, globalization.

HIST 3530: History of African Americans I
(Cross-listed with AFAM 3530).
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Examines African roots of black culture and the African American experience in the United States from the colonial period through the Civil War. Topics include Atlantic Slave Trade, slavery and American identity, abolition, the emergence of Black Nationalism, and black participation in the Civil War. Meets U.S. Diversity Requirement.

HIST 3540: History of African Americans II
(Cross-listed with AFAM 3540).
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Explores African American political thought and political action from Reconstruction to the present. Topics include rise of Jim Crow segregation, urban migration, Garvey movement, Harlem Renaissance, Depression and world wars, Pan-Africanism, civil rights, Black Power, and black feminism. Meets U.S. Diversity Requirement.

HIST 3570: American Family History
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
The impact on American families from colonial times onward of agricultural change, industrialization, urbanization, and wars and depressions.

HIST 3620: Global Environmental History
(Cross-listed with ENVS 3620).
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Survey of the interactions of human communities with their environments from the beginnings of human history to the present. Topics include the domestication of animals, the agricultural revolution, industrialization, urbanization, deforestation, hydraulic management, fossil fuel consumption, and climate change. (Typically Offered: Fall)

HIST 3630: U. S. Environmental History
(Cross-listed with ENVS 3630).
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Survey of the interactions of human communities with the North American environment. Focus on the period from presettlement to the present, with a particular concentration on natural resources, disease, settlement patterns, land use, and conservation policies.

HIST 3640: The Mythic Wild West
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Examination of the history of the mythic American West, including how people have thought about the region, the myths that emerged from the West, and the role the mythical West played in the formation of American identity. (Typically Offered: Summer)

HIST 3650: American Agriculture I: The Maya to McCormick's Reaper
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
North American agricultural development to 1865. American Indian agricultural systems, European background and agricultural revolution, agriculture in the colonial era, early republic and antebellum period. Topics include origins of modern crops, agriculture's role in the economy, politics, and settlement of the U.S., slavery, rural and frontier life, and mechanization.
HIST 3660: American Agriculture II: Homestead Act to GMOs
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
American agricultural development since 1865. Post-Civil War adjustments; westward expansion; economic boom and bust; mechanization; Dust Bowl and environmental challenges; Great Depression and New Deal; changing rural life; scientific and technological advances; farm crisis and late twentieth century challenges.

HIST 3670: America Eats
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Thematic approach to the development of the American agricultural system through the topics of food and eating. Changes in American food systems from Native American, pre-contact diets through modern innovations such as fast food, organics, and eating locally.

HIST 3700: History of Iowa
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Survey of major social, cultural and economic developments in Iowa from the late 1700s. Emphasis on minority groups, pioneer life, early economic development, industrial development, educational and religious development, and outstanding personalities.

HIST 3710: Mexican American History
(Cross-listed with USLS 3710).
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
History of the Mexican American community in the U.S. from the 1820s to the present. Topics include community development, employment, social marginalization, racism/discrimination, depression and world wars, civil rights, ethnic power and politics. Offered even-numbered years. Meets U.S. Diversity Requirement. (Typically Offered: Fall)

HIST 3720: Latina/o History
(Cross-listed with USLS 3720).
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Historical and cultural heritage of Latinas/os in the United States. The histories of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, and other Latin American peoples in the U.S. emphasizing political and cultural convergence and congruencies. Meets U.S. Diversity Requirement.

HIST 3740: Sex, Gender, and Culture in the Ancient Mediterranean World
(Cross-listed with CLST 3740/ WGS 3740).
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Survey of the roles of women and others on the margins and the issues that impacted them in the ancient Greek and Roman worlds. Evidence from literature, the visual arts, and archaeology. Contemporary approaches to studying women, gender, and sexuality in ancient history. Intersections of gender categories with ideas of slave and free status, citizenship, and ethnicity. Readings from ancient and modern sources. Meets International Perspectives Requirement.

HIST 3770: History of Women in Science, Technology, and Medicine
(Cross-listed with WGS 3770).
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
History of women’s relationship to the fields of science, technology, and medicine, as students and professionals, consumers, subjects and patients, family members, workers and citizens. Concentrates especially on 19th and 20th century United States, concluding with an examination of current issues of special interest to women in science, technology, and medicine. Meets U.S. Diversity Requirement.

HIST 3820: History and Philosophy of the Scientific Revolution
(Cross-listed with PHIL 3820).
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: 3 credits in PHIL or Permission of Instructor
The emergence of empirical science as the authoritative methodology for production of knowledge about the natural world in the period between Copernicus and Kant. Scientific progress achieved during the period, including the work of Galileo, Descartes, and Newton. The re-shaping of epistemology in the Western intellectual tradition. Implications for philosophy and historiography. Offered odd-numbered years. (Typically Offered: Spring)

HIST 3830: Technology, Public Science, and European Culture, 1715-Present
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
A survey from the Age of Enlightenment to the end of the twentieth century of the relationship between science, technology, and public or popular culture in a comparative European context (including Russia and the former Soviet Union). Meets International Perspectives Requirement.
HIST 3840: Roman Italy: An Introduction
(Cross-listed with CLST 3840).
Credits: 2. Contact Hours: Lecture 2.
Repeatable.
Prereq: Instructor Permission for Course
Introduction to the topography, history, archaeology, monuments, and art of Rome from the 8th century BCE to the 5th century CE; attention given to the culture of modern Italy, preparatory to study abroad in Rome. Enrollment limited to students participating in CLST 3850/HIST 3850. Meets International Perspectives Requirement. (Typically Offered: Spring)

HIST 3850: Study Abroad: Roman Italy: Building the Empire
(Cross-listed with CLST 3850).
Credits: 3. Repeatable, maximum of 6 credits.
Prereq: CLST 3840/HIST 3840, Instructor Permission Required
Supervised on-site instruction in the history, archaeology, monuments, and art of Rome and environs from the 8th century BCE to the 5th century CE; attention given to the culture of modern Italy. Meets International Perspectives Requirement. (Typically Offered: Summer)

HIST 3860: History of Women in America
(Cross-listed with WGS 3860).
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
A survey of social, economic, and political aspects of women’s role from colonial era to present; emphasis on employment, education, concepts of sexuality, and changing nature of the home. Meets U.S. Diversity Requirement.

HIST 3870: First Ladies in U.S. History
(Cross-listed with POLS 3870/ WGS 3870).
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Evolution of the role and office of the First Lady in U.S. history, including her political activism, social impact, and international influence. Analysis of the authority, intersectionality and agency of First Ladies in the aggregate and exploration of how individual First Ladies have interpreted and adapted this unique public position. Offered even-numbered years. (Typically Offered: Fall)

HIST 3890: American Military History
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
American military experience from the Pequot War to Vietnam, including King Philip’s War, the French & Indian Wars, the American Revolution, the War of 1812, the Mexican-American War, the Civil War, the Spanish-American War, World Wars I & II, and the Korean War. Meets International Perspectives Requirement.

HIST 3900: World Military History
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Covers military history from the Napoleonic era through the mid- and late-19th century wars, the First and Second World Wars, and wars of national liberation and regional conflicts since 1945. Meets International Perspectives Requirement.

HIST 3910: American Diplomatic History
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
A study of US foreign relations during the twentieth century, including the rise to global power, the First World War, diplomacy during prosperity and depression, the Second World War, the Cold War, relations with Latin America, East and South Asia and Africa, the search for markets, and the perceptions of American foreign policy held by the US, its allies and adversaries, and others.

HIST 3960A: Topics in History: Europe
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Repeatable, maximum of 9 credits.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Specialized topics in history; topics vary each time offered.

HIST 3960B: Topics in History: U.S. and North America
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Repeatable, maximum of 9 credits.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Specialized topics in history; topics vary each time offered.

HIST 3960C: Topics in History: Global
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Repeatable, maximum of 9 credits.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Specialized topics in history; topics vary each time offered.

HIST 4020: Greek Civilization
(Cross-listed with CLST 4020).
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Ancient Greece from the Bronze Age to the Hellenistic period; evolution of the Greek polis and its cultural contributions, with a particular emphasis on the writings of Herodotus and Thucydides.
HIST 4030: Roman Civilization
(Cross-listed with CLST 4030).
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Ancient Rome from the Regal Period to the fall of the Western Empire; evolution of Roman institutions and Rome's cultural contributions studied through original sources.

HIST 4050: Transformations of the Early Medieval World
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Examines major political, religious, and cultural transformations in Western Europe and the Mediterranean, 300-1000. Major topics include the fall of Rome, rise of Christianity, Germanic kingdoms, and Carolingian empire.

HIST 4060: The Birth of Europe in the High Middle Ages
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Examines political, economic, religious, and cultural forms emerging in Europe, 1000-1300, that still characterize Western society to this day. Major topics include the medieval agricultural revolution, English and French monarchies, crisis of church and state, and growth of the papacy and personal religion.

HIST 4070: Crises of the Late Middle Ages
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Examines major political, economic, religious, and intellectual crises that beset Europe, 1300-1500, paving the way for early modernity. Major topics include Black Death, 100 Years War, papal schism, and origins of Renaissance and Reformation.

HIST 4100: The Holocaust in History
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Historical and historiographical coverage of the Holocaust. Actions of perpetrators, experiences of the murdered, and inaction or action of bystanders within global, European, German, and Jewish history. Topics include history, historical methods, and contemporary and historical commemoration of the Holocaust. Seminar discussion format. Meets International Perspectives Requirement. (Typically Offered: Spring)

HIST 4190: History of Modern France
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
From absolutism to revolution and the rise of modern democracy.

HIST 4200: France's Revolutionary Century, 1715-1815
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
An in-depth investigation of the French Revolution, its causes and consequences, beginning in the Ancien Regime and ending with the fall of Napoleon.

HIST 4210: History of Russia I
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Russia to 1850. Origins of Russian people; Byzantine influences; Mongol invasion; rise of Moscow; Westernization. Meets International Perspectives Requirement.

HIST 4220: History of Russia II
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Russia since 1850. Reform and revolution; transformation of society; USSR as a world power; recent changes. Meets International Perspectives Requirement.

Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Russian intellectual history from the reign of Catherine the Great to the collapse of Communism. Discussion of Russian literary, philosophical and cultural trends in the nineteenth century and the relationship between intellectual & cultural figures and the Soviet state in the twentieth century.

HIST 4240: History of Modern Germany
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Political, social, and cultural history of Germany from the 19th century to the present. Meets International Perspectives Requirement.
HIST 4270: Crime and Policing in England 1550-1850
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Course examines different forms and ideas of criminality and the nature and development of law enforcement in England between 1550 and 1856. Significant issues will include the nature of criminal records and statistics, the legal system, the politics of the law and its links with social relations, policing, female crime, juvenile delinquency, organized crime, riots, 'social crime,' and the treatment of crime in creative literary texts.

HIST 4280: Punishment, Mentalities, and Society in England, 1550-1868
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Explores the history of punishing criminals in England and shows how interdisciplinary perspectives, ideas, and practices of punishment are related to mentalities, and socio-economic change. Issues of significance examined: violence, civility, manners, madness, public punishment, execution, imprisonment, transportation, mercy, the rise of asylums, and penal reform.

HIST 4290: Monstrous London: London's Histories 1500-1800
Credits: 3-4.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Study of London's social, economic, cultural, political, and environmental history 1500-1800, using both quantitative and qualitative methods to examine contemporary and secondary sources. Course combines standard lecture and discussion format with one week of intensive study abroad for 4th hour of course credit.

HIST 4310: Modern England
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
England since 1850. Parliamentary and constitutional development; social reform and economic change; imperial Britain; welfare state. Meets International Perspectives Requirement.

HIST 4500: Colonial America
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Exploration, colonization, and development of political, economic, religious, and cultural institutions of North American colonies before 1754. Topics also include social history, emergence of African-American slavery, relations with American Indians.

HIST 4510: American Revolutionary Era
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Participants, ideas, and events leading to independence and the foundation of the United States, 1754 to 1789. Topics include political, military, social, cultural history, also issues of gender and race relations.

HIST 4530: Law and Society in U.S. History: Crime, Race, Family, Work and Property
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
The development of both law and the legal system from colonial times to the present, highlighting their crucial role in aspects of American life such as marriage, family, employment, racial identification, and economic exchange. Topics will include important past legal disputes, the different levels of courts, the various actors in the legal process (e.g., police, prosecutors, prisoners, judges and juries), the relationship between the individuals and institutions that comprise the legal system.
HIST 4540: Early American Republic
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Examination of the United States from the Constitutional Convention up to the Mexican War. Topics include the Washington, Jefferson, and Jackson administrations, the War of 1812, slavery and the South, economic and social development, Westward expansion and reform.

HIST 4550: U.S. Civil War and Reconstruction Era
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Examination of the social and economic contradictions that led to Civil War and the reconstruction of American freedom and democracy. Topics include the Mexican War, sectional conflict and the crisis of disunion, economic, political and social aspects of civil war, emancipation, and reconstruction.

HIST 4570: History of American Sexualities
(Cross-listed with WGS 4570).
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
The social construction of American sexualities from the colonial era to the present with particular emphasis on how ideas about sex and sexuality have shaped American public life, including education, public policy, party politics, and racial justice. Meets U.S. Diversity Requirement.

HIST 4580: U.S. 1900 to 1945
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
America in transition and crisis: Progressivism, World War I, the twenties, the Great Depression, and World War II.

HIST 4590: U.S. 1945 to the Present
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Modern American history with an emphasis on political, socio-cultural, ethno-racial, and military history. Topics include the Cold War, the wars in Korea and Vietnam, civil rights and Black/ethnic Power, modern feminism, and the conservative movement.

HIST 4600: The Great Plains
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
History of the Great Plains from prehistoric period. Emphasis on agricultural and rural development, Native Americans, cattle ranching, land policy, agrarian reform movements and federal policy.

HIST 4610: The American South
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
History of the American South from colonial period to present. Emphasis on economic, social, and political change in this rural region.

HIST 4650: The American West
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
History of trans-Mississippi West from 1800 to present, concentrating on settlement and regional identity. Emphasis on the state, the environment, urbanization, agriculture, Native Americans, and minority communities.

HIST 4680: History of Rural America
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
History of rural America from the colonial period to the present. Emphasizes immigration, ethnicity, religion, social and cultural change, and agriculture in relation to rural settlement, institution building, demographic change, gender, class, and political and economic development.

HIST 469X: History of Racial Violence in Europe and the United States, 1865-1945
(Cross-listed with AF AM 469X).
Credits: 0-99. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Repeatable.
History of racial and genocidal violence comparing the experiences of Black, Latino/a/x, Native, and Asian peoples in the United States with Jewish people, the Romani, and people of African descent in Europe. The class focuses on the forms of individual and state-sponsored violence, culminating in the Holocaust. Field trip to Washington, D.C. Meets U.S. Diversity Requirement.

HIST 4730: Civil Rights and Ethnic Power
(Cross-listed with AFAM 4730/ USLS 4730).
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Comparative history of the civil rights and ethnic power movements (African American, Chicano, American Indian, Puerto Rican, among others) in the U.S. from World War II to the present. Topics include institutional foundations, leadership, gender and racial dynamics, and the convergences and divergences of these differing ethnic struggles for rights. Meets U.S. Diversity Requirement.
HIST 4790: China and the Cold War
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Important events in China’s Cold War involvement, connections between domestic and foreign affairs, factors and rationales in China’s foreign policy making the relationship between China’s Cold War experience and recent developments.

HIST 4800A: Pre-Student Teaching Experience III: History/Social Sciences
(Cross-listed with EDUC 4800A).
Credits: 2. Repeatable, maximum of 2 credits.
Prereq: Admitted to the Educator Preparation Program
Supervised participation in a 5-12 school setting. Permission of History/Social Sciences coordinator required prior to enrollment. Two, half-days per week needed for school experience. Clinical Supervision Level 3. (Typically Offered: Fall)

HIST 4810: Public History
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Repeatable, maximum of 3 credits.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Development of theories and methods in the field of public history. Emphasis on practical applications such as archival research, museum interpretation, historic preservation, and oral history within the context of United States history. (Typically Offered: Fall)

HIST 4820: Birth, Death, Medicine, and Disease
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
History of medicine, sickness, and public health from ancient times to the twenty-first century in the US, Europe, and around the world. Topics include changing ideas of health and illness, development of doctors and hospitals, social and ethical issues in health care, and epidemics from cholera to AIDS.

HIST 4880: American Stuff, Colonial Times to the Present
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Inventions, innovations, artifacts, and material culture in the United States, from homespun cloth and the Colt revolver, through the transcontinental railroad and Model T, to fast food and the iPhone.

HIST 4890: The World at War
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Repeatable, maximum of 6 credits.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
In-depth exploration of a particular global conflict (topic varies; e.g., the French and Indian War, the Napoleonic Wars, World War I, World War II, the Vietnam War, and post-Cold War U.S. overseas conflicts) by focusing on multiple aspects of that conflict such as belligerents’ justification, diplomacy, manpower policy, technology, strategies and tactics, morality, protest, civilian and military experiences, gender roles, the aftermath of conflict, and collective memory and memorialization. (Typically Offered: Spring)

HIST 4900: Independent Study
Credits: 1-3. Repeatable, maximum of 6 credits.
Prereq: Permission of Department Chair for Course
Reading and reports on problems selected in conference with each student. No more than 6 credits of HIST 4900 may be counted toward graduation with a major in History. No credits of HIST 4900 may count toward a minor in History. Graduation Restriction: No more than 6 credits of HIST 4900 may be counted toward graduation with a major in History. No credits of HIST 4900 may count toward a minor in History.

HIST 4950: Historiography and Research Writing
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Variable topics seminar that focuses on historiographical and research skills and writing. Required of majors. (Typically Offered: Fall, Spring)

HIST 4960A: Advanced Topics in History: Europe
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Repeatable, maximum of 9 credits.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Specialized topics in history, topics vary each time offered.

HIST 4960B: Advanced Topics in History: U.S. and North America
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Repeatable, maximum of 9 credits.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Specialized topics in history, topics vary each time offered.

HIST 4960C: Advanced Topics in History: Global
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Repeatable, maximum of 9 credits.
Prereq: Sophomore classification
Specialized topics in history, topics vary each time offered.
HIST 4980: Methods of Teaching History/Social Sciences
(Dual-listed with HIST 5980). (Cross-listed with EDUC 4980).
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Theories and processes of teaching and learning secondary history/social sciences. Emphasis on development and enactment of current methods, assessments, and curriculum materials for providing appropriate learning experiences. (Typically Offered: Fall, Spring)

Courses primarily for graduate students, open to qualified undergraduates:

HIST 5100: Readings Seminar in East Asian History
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Repeatable.
Readings in East Asian history. Topics vary each time offered.

HIST 5110A: Readings Seminar in American History: Colonial Period
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Repeatable.
Readings in American history. Topics vary each time offered.

HIST 5110B: Readings Seminar in American History: Nineteenth Century
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Repeatable.
Readings in American history. Topics vary each time offered.

HIST 5110C: Readings Seminar in American History: Twentieth Century
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Repeatable.
Readings in American history. Topics vary each time offered.

HIST 5110E: Readings Seminar in American History: Social and Cultural
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Repeatable.
Readings in American history. Topics vary each time offered.

HIST 5110F: Readings Seminar in American History: West
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Repeatable.
Readings in American history. Topics vary each time offered.

HIST 5110G: Readings Seminar in American History: The South
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Repeatable.
Readings in American history. Topics vary each time offered.

HIST 5120A: Readings Seminar in European History: Ancient
(Cross-listed with CLST 5120A).
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Repeatable.
Readings in European history.

HIST 5120B: Readings Seminar in European History: Medieval and Early Modern
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Repeatable.
Readings in European history.

HIST 5120C: Readings Seminar in European History: Modern
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Repeatable.
Readings in European history.

HIST 5130: Readings Seminar in Latin American History
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Repeatable.
Readings in Latin American history. Topics vary each time offered.

HIST 5300: Readings Seminar in Modern Russian/Soviet History
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Repeatable.
Readings in modern Russian history. Topics vary each time offered.

HIST 5500B: Proseminar in European Rural and Agricultural History: Twentieth Century Europe
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Repeatable.
Proseminar in European Rural and Agricultural History: Twentieth Century Europe.

HIST 5520A: Readings Seminar in American Rural and Agricultural History: American Agriculture
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Repeatable.
Readings in American agricultural history. Topics vary each time taught.

HIST 5520B: Readings Seminar in American Rural and Agricultural History: Agrarian Reform Movements
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Repeatable.
Readings on American agrarian reform movements. Topics vary each time taught.

HIST 5520C: Readings Seminar in American Rural and Agricultural History: Midwestern Rural Society
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.
Repeatable.
Readings on American Midwestern rural society. Topics vary each time taught.
HIST 5520D: Readings Seminar in American Rural and Agricultural History: Women in Rural Life
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3. Repeatable.
Readings on American women and rural life. Topics vary each time taught.

HIST 5540A: Readings Seminar in Environmental History: American
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3. Repeatable.
Readings in American environmental history. Topics vary each time offered.

HIST 5540B: Readings Seminar in Environmental History: European
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3. Repeatable.
Readings in European environmental history. Topics vary each time taught.

HIST 5540C: Readings Seminar in Environmental History: Global
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3. Repeatable.
Readings in global environmental history. Topics vary each time taught.

HIST 5750: Readings Seminar in the History of Technology
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3. Repeatable.
Readings in the history of technology. Topics vary each time taught.

HIST 5830A: Historical Methods: Narrative
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3. Repeatable.
Study of the methodologies of historical narrative.

HIST 5830B: Historical Methods: Statistical Evidence and Analysis
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3. Repeatable.
Study of methodologies of using statistical evidence in writing history.

HIST 5830C: Historical Methods: Issues in Historiography
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3. Repeatable, maximum of 9 credits.
Study of issues surrounding the development of historiography and historical theories.

HIST 5850: Teaching Methods for the Modern Europe Survey
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 2, Laboratory 2.
Pedagogy and historiography of Europe, from the Protestant Reformation to the present. Pedagogical topics covered include general principles of survey-course construction, lecture technique, and textbook evaluation; historiographical topics will include the Reformation, the Enlightenment, the Industrial Revolution, the French Revolution, the rise of Nationalism, imperialism, the two World Wars, the Cold War and decolonization. (Typically Offered: Spring)

HIST 5860: Readings Seminar in Women's and Gender History
(Cross-listed with WGS 5860).
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3. Repeatable.
Readings in women's and gender history.

HIST 5900: Special Topics
Prereq: Permission of Department Chair for Course
(Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer)

HIST 5910: Directed Readings in History
Credits: 1-3. Repeatable, maximum of 9 credits.
Individually directed readings in History for doctoral students preparing for preliminary examinations in Rural, Agricultural, Technological and Environmental History (RATE). Graduation Restriction: Only 9 credits of HIST 5910 may count toward graduation. (Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer)

HIST 5930A: Research Seminar in American History: Colonial Period
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3. Repeatable.
Topics vary each time offered.

HIST 5930B: Research Seminar in American History: Nineteenth Century
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3. Repeatable.
Topics vary each time offered.

HIST 5930C: Research Seminar in American History: Twentieth Century
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3. Repeatable.
Topics vary each time offered.

HIST 5930F: Research Seminar in American History: West
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3. Repeatable.
Topics vary each time offered.
HIST 5940A: Research Seminar in European History: Ancient  
(Cross-listed with CLST 5940A).  
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.  
Repeatable.  
Topics vary each time offered.  

HIST 5940B: Research Seminar in European History: Medieval and Early Modern  
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.  
Repeatable.  
Topics vary each time offered.  

HIST 5940C: Research Seminar in European History: Modern  
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.  
Repeatable.  
Topics vary each time offered.  

HIST 5980: Methods of Teaching History/Social Sciences  
(Dual-listed with EDUC 4980/ HIST 4980).  
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.  
Theories and processes of teaching and learning secondary history/social sciences. Emphasis on development and enactment of current methods, assessments, and curriculum materials for providing appropriate learning experiences. (Typically Offered: Fall, Spring)  

HIST 5990: Creative Component  
Credits: 1-6. Repeatable, maximum of 6 credits.  
Prereq: Instructor Permission for Course  
(Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer)  

Courses for graduate students:  

HIST 6100: Research Seminar in American Rural and Agricultural History  
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.  
Repeatable, maximum of 9 credits.  
Emphasis varies each time offered.  

HIST 6120: Research Seminar in Environmental History  
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.  
Repeatable, maximum of 9 credits.  
Emphasis varies each time offered.  

HIST 6140: Research Seminar in the History of Technology  
Credits: 3. Contact Hours: Lecture 3.  
Repeatable, maximum of 9 credits.  
Emphasis varies each time offered.  

HIST 6990: Research  
Credits: 1-6. Repeatable.  
Prereq: Instructor Permission for Course  
Graduate student thesis research. (Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer)