100 Level
Gain an overview of a topic or region. Learn how historians work.

Pages 2-4

300-400 Level
Explore a Theme. Develop your skills

Pages 5-8

500-600 Level
Specialize. Deepen your analysis and enhance your presentation of data.

Pages 9-10
100-200 Level

Courses that provide an overview of a topic or region. Introductions to how historians evaluate data and present their results

101. Science and Religion (MW 12:30-1:45)

The interaction and confrontations between science and religion will be considered together with the religious responses to science. Fulfills KU Core 1.1

104. Introduction to African History (MW 12:30-1:45)

An introduction to important historical developments in Africa mainly south of the Sahara. Topics include early history, empires, kingdoms, and city-states, the slave trade, the independence era, military and civilian governments, and liberation movements. Fulfills KU Core 1.1 and 3

101/114. Europe: Renaissance to Revolution (Online: 8 week course)

An introduction to early modern European history (1500-1789) with emphasis on the cultural, political, economic, and cultural forces that have helped to shape the modern world. Fulfills KU Core 1.1

101/112. Introduction to British History (TR 9:30-10:45)

Introduces students to the concepts, issues, and methods of historical study at the same time as it explores the main processes and events that shaped the history of Britain and its imperial dependencies. Fulfills KU Core 1.1

103. The Environment and History (MW 1:00-1:50 + discussion)

Surveys the environmental history of the earth from the extinction of the dinosaurs to the present with a focus on the changing ecological role of humans.
108. Medieval Europe (MW 9:00-9:50 + discussion)
The history of Europe from the Barbarian Invasions to the beginning of the 16th century.

115. Europe, French Revolution to the Present (MW 11:00-11:50 + disc)
An introduction to recent European history, with emphasis on the social, political, economic, and cultural forces that helped to create the Europe of today. Core 1.1, 3

117. Russia, an Introductory History (TR 2:30-3:45)
A survey of the evolution of Russia from its origins to the present. Focuses on the interaction of government and society and on the internal and extern pressures affecting modernization and reform, revolution, and territorial expansion. Core 3 and 4.2

118. Introduction to East Asia (TR 8:00-9:15)
A survey of the history of China, Japan, Korea, and other cultures in East Asia from premodern to modern times. Students are introduced to the major currents of East Asian history and historical methods used to study them. Core 4.2

120. Colonial Latin America (TR 2:30-3:45)
The evolution and analysis of societies, economies, and religions of native American peoples, the impact of Spanish and Portuguese conquests and settlement, government, trade and culture upon native civilizations, the influence of African population and culture, and the creole nature of the resulting society in the colonial period. Core 3, 4.2
128. **US History Through the Civil War** (MW 1:00-1:50 + discussion)

This survey is designed to reflect the diversity of the American experience, to offer the student a chronological perspective on the history of the United States, and to explore the main themes, issues, ideas, and events that shaped US history. **Core 3**

129. **US Since the Civil War** (MW 10:00-10:50 + discussion)

This survey is designed to reflect the diversity of the American experience, to offer the student a chronological perspective on the history of the United States, and to explore the main themes, issues, ideas, and events that shaped American history. **Fulfills KU Core 3**

140 / 144 **Global Environment I** (MW 9:30-10:45 + discussion)

An interdisciplinary course and lab surveying the foundations of environmental understanding and the process of scientific discovery. Topics include the history of environmental systems and life on earth, the discovery of evolution and climate change. **Core 3** (144 is the Honors section)

160. **West African History** (TR 8:00-9:15)

Highlights the major historical patterns that gave rise to West Africa’s development as an integral part of world history by examining themes of technology, socioeconomic change, religion, conquest and resistance, trade, and cultural transformations. **Core 3 and 4.2**

177. **Freshmen Seminar / Notorious Pirates** (TR 11:00-12:15)

A limited-enrollment, seminar course about pirates for freshmen. Students will use historical methods to investigate piracy as a window into the economic, military, political, and social histories of global interconnections of labor relations and international law. **Fulfills KU Core 1.1**

177. **Freshmen Seminar / Latin American Mythos** (TR 1:00-2:15)

Like the American myth about George Washington and the cherry tree, Latin Americans have also melded history with myth as a tool for understanding their past. By exploring varied mythologies in film, literature, and history students will develop the skills of analysis, interpretation, and communication that will help them better understand how their past has been constructed. **Core 1.1**

177. **Freshmen Seminar / A Century of Protest in Egypt** (TR 1:00-2:15)

A limited-enrollment, seminar course for freshmen. Offers an in-depth look at the social and political movements that transformed 20th century Egypt though the eyes of the men and women who took to the streets. **Core 1.1**

*A major challenge of the twenty-first century is how to analyze data, draw conclusions, and present those ideas to others. History can teach you that!*
300-400 Level
Explore a theme.
Hone your skills in evaluating data and in critical thinking and writing.

300. Modern Africa
A survey of social, political, and economic developments during the colonial era, independence struggles, and contemporary experience.
Fulfills KU Core 4.2
(TR 11:00-12:15)

314. Globalization: History & Theory
Explores the rise of global capitalism in the 19th and 20th centuries, contemporary debate about globalization, and the role of globalization in our daily lives.
(TR 2:30-3:45)

318. Indian Territory
The history of Indian Territory, now the state of Oklahoma, surveying the diverse tribal cultures, geography, and impact of the Indian Removal Act, assimilation, and acculturation.
(TBA)

301. The Historian’s Craft
Introduces the practice and methods of the study of history and serves as the gateway to the major. Students learn (1) to think historically; (2) to understand how historians construct and write about the past through narratives, theory and analytical discussion; (3) to critically evaluate historical arguments and the material used to substantiate those arguments, including an introduction to the process of peer review; (4) to develop writing and research skills including the interpretation of primary sources; and (5) to master professional standards of presenting their findings. Required of all history majors and a prerequisite for HIST 696. Open for declared majors.

(Check schedule for times)
327. Premodern Middle East
A broad survey of the Middle East from 600-1800 CE. Topics covered include: the rise and spread of Islam, Crusader heroes, religious tolerance in Moorish Spain, harem culture of the Ottoman Empire, and medieval robots. Core 4.2
(TR 4:00-5:15)

335. History of Jewish Women
Explores the history of Jewish women from antiquity to the twentieth century, examining historical constructions of women's identities.
(T 2:30-5:00)

336. Ethics, Ideas & Nature
The ethical frameworks developed for thinking about, using, and protecting the natural world. Core 5.1
(TR 12:30-1:45 or MW 7:35-8:50)

341. Hitler and Nazi Germany
An examination of the rise of Hitler and Nazism, beginning with the breakdown of 19th century culture in the First World War and continuing through the failure of democracy under the Weimar Republic.
(MW 10:00-10:50 + disc., Lawrence)
(or W 6:00-8:30 Edwards Campus)

340. Second World War
A survey of the origins, course, and consequences of the war, 1930-1945. Political, economic, military, and social aspects will be dealt with in the context of their global effects.
(MW 11:00-11:50 + discussion)

337. History, Ethics, Modernity
How has human dignity been preserved or violated in the modern age? The course explores the history of human rights, genocide, refugees, anarchists, disasters, prisoners, and other topics.
(TR 1:00-2:15)
353. Indigenous Peoples North America
This course surveys the history of the first peoples to inhabit North America from prehistory to present. Core 4.1
(MW 10:00-10:50 + discussion)

392. Huns, Turks & Mongols
The impact of major nomadic groups from 1000 BCE-1500 CE. Investigates the natural and human factors that shaped the nomads and their changing image in history
(TR 2:30-3:45)

355. US Borderlands, since 1848
Examines the Mexican borderlands after conquest and acquisition by the US. Themes include race relations, immigration, labor, culture, and the environment
(TR 9:30-10:45)

399. Samurai
The samurai from their origins to the dissolution of their class in 1877, examining their military role, philosophy, and cultural contributions. Core 1.1, 4.2
(Online)

362. American Way of War
American Military history from WWII to current military operations. Covers the Cold War, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, both Persian Gulf wars, and the global war on terrorism.
(MW 7:35-8:50)

395. History of Sushi
Sushi reveals the transformation of an ancient Japanese dish into a global phenomenon. Trace its history from Kansas back to Japan while learning about food studies. Core 1.1, 4.2
(TR 11:00-12:15)
490. Honors Seminar

The capstone seminar (HIST 696) for honors students. **KU Core 6.1**

(T 1:00-3:30)

390. Fascinating Topics

Cities in US History  (MW 11:00-12:15)

Jerusalem through the Ages  (MW 11:00-12:15)

Slavery from the Slaves Point of View  (TR 9:30-10:45)

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**Of all Humanities Majors, History is the Most Lucrative**

- History majors have higher median wages ($54,000 annually) of any humanities degree.
- With graduate degrees, history majors earn the most ($80,000 annually) among any humanities majors.

  *Source: Economic Value of College Majors, Georgetown University (2015)*

- A degree in History has the same salary potential as a degree in Business Administration
- 4 out of 5 history majors are satisfied with their current jobs
- Companies hiring history majors include J.P. Morgan Chase, Randstad North America, Hartford Financial Services Group, and Geico

  *Source: www.payscale.com, accessed 24 November 2015*
500-600 Level

Specialize.
Deepen your analysis and enhance your presentation of data.

510. History of Science
This history of scientific inquiry, technological developments, key discoveries, and controversial theories are among the topics of this course.
(TBA)

511. Foodways, North America
Surveys the traditional foodways of the peoples of North America including meal preparation, medicinal plants, and modern health concerns.
(TR 9:30-10:45)

531. History of American Women
Women’s history from 1870 to the present examining the impact of war, professionalization, radical movements, and the lives of activists.
Core 4.1
(W 7:00-9:30)

510. History of Korean Thought
Examines Korean intellectual history introducing key thinkers and their contributions to national and international debates.
(TR 2:30-3:45)

568. Rise & Fall of USSR
The USSR’s creation, evolution and collapse in Russia and Eurasia. Special attention given to how the multi-ethnic Soviet state’s rise and fall reflected broader changes globally.
Core 4.2
(TR 11:00-12:15)

579. History of Brazil
The history of Brazil from European discovery to the present with emphasis on social and economic change.
(MW 12:30-1:45)

625. Body, Self & Society
Examines the role of the human body in the creation of personal and social identities. Students learn and apply theories of embodiment and the senses.
(TR 1:0-2:15)

Women's history from 1870 to the present examining the impact of war, professionalization, radical movements, and the lives of activists.
Core 4.1
(W 7:00-9:30)
A 696 seminar provides a group setting for history majors to prepare, write, and discuss a substantial work of research analyzing primary sources. The seminar gives students the closest experience of advanced, professional, historical work.

History 696 fulfills KU Core 6.1

696. Citizenship, Race, Gender, Class
Students will be introduced to research methods, develop a topic according to their interests, and complete a research paper on any aspect of the themes of seminar.

696. American History
Students will be introduced to research methods, develop a topic according to their interests, and complete a research paper on any aspect of American history.

Historians see the big picture in the small data. They analyze problems and communicate solutions.
The Major

The requirements for a major are 30 credit hours* including:
1) History 301
2) Five courses in a major field of study
3) Three courses in a minor field of study
4) History 696
* 24 hours of courses must be 300 level or above including two 500 level classes.

The Minor

Minoring in History adds depth and breadth to your undergraduate major, whatever department you may be in. Requirements are 18 hours (6 courses) in History; at least 12 hours (4 courses) must be at the 300 level or above; two courses in category I (Western), two courses in category II (non-Western), and two electives.

All History courses above the 500 level now count to the Research Experience Program Certificate, a valuable credential to add to your transcript whatever your major.

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