

History Master's

Department Information

- **Program Information:**
ndsu.edu/programs/graduate/history (<http://ndsu.edu/programs/graduate/history/>)
- **Department Web Site:**
ndsu.edu/schoolofhumanities/graduate_program/ (http://ndsu.edu/schoolofhumanities/graduate_program/)
- **Application Deadline:**
April 1 for assistantship consideration
- **Credential Offered:**
M.A., M.S.
- **English Proficiency Requirements:**
TOEFL ibt 100; IELTS 7; Duolingo 125

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Master of Arts Curriculum

Code	Title	Credits
HIST 702	Historiography	3
HIST 705	Directed Research (taken during second year)	1
HIST 710	Research Seminar in North American History	3
Select six credits of the following (one to be in the student's major area and the other the minor area)		6
HIST 730	Readings in North American History	
HIST 760	Readings in European History	
HIST 780	Readings in World History	
History graduate coursework, of which at least two credits must be didactic.		9
HIST 798		8
Total Credits		30

- The Master of Arts requires proficiency in at least one foreign language. The language requirement can be met by completing college coursework in that language through the second year (e.g., SPAN 202) or by passing a language exam administered by the faculty.

Master of Science Curriculum

Code	Title	Credits
HIST 702	Historiography	3
HIST 710	Research Seminar in North American History	3
HIST 730	Readings in North American History	3
HIST 760	Readings in European History	3
HIST 780	Readings in World History	3
Didactic coursework (601-689, 691; 700-789, 791). Up to 3 credits may be from outside of History.		12
HIST 797		3
Total Credits		30

Admission and Application Requirements

- Graduate School admission and application requirements are found on the Admission Information (<https://catalog.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2025-2026/graduate/admission-information/>) page.
- In addition, this program requires applicants to:
 - Provide a statement of intent that clearly outlines the applicant's interest and purpose for seeking a master's degree in history. The department uses this statement to assess the applicant's ability to organize thoughts, to formulate a plan of academic study, and to complete the graduate

program. This statement also enables the department to determine whether North Dakota State University's graduate history program suits the applicant's needs and objectives.

- Submit a substantial paper submitted for an upper-division history class or for a class in the humanities and social sciences. The paper should provide evidence of an applicant's ability to synthesize information, organize thoughts logically, and communicate clearly and effectively.