

History Major

Major Requirements

Degree Type: B.A. or B.S.
Minimum Credits Required: 120

University Degree Requirements

For complete details on these and other university degree requirements, refer to the Degree and Graduation Requirements (<https://catalog.ndsu.edu/academic-policies/undergraduate-policies/degree-and-graduation/>) section in the University Catalog.

1. Minimum of 120 semester credits (some programs may exceed this minimum).
2. Complete the University General Education requirements.
3. Minimum institutional GPA of 2.00 based on work taken at NDSU.
4. Minimum of 30 credits in resident at NDSU.
5. Minimum of 36 upper level credits (courses numbered 300 or higher).
6. Students with transfer credit must meet the NDSU 30 credits in residence (#4). Of these 30 credits in residence, a minimum of 15 credits must be in courses numbered 300 or above, and 15 credits must be in the student's declared major curricula.

University General Education Requirements

A list of university approved general education courses along with the administrative policies governing the requirement and the categories is available here (<https://catalog.ndsu.edu/academic-policies/undergraduate-policies/general-education/>).

Code	Title	Credits
Category C: Communication		12
Category R: Quantitative Reasoning		3
Category S: Science and Technology		10
Category A: Humanities and Fine Arts		6
Category B: Social and Behavioral Sciences		6
Category W: Wellness		2
Category D: Cultural Diversity		
Category G: Global Perspectives		
Category L: Digital Literacy		
Total Credits		39

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Core Requirements		
HIST 1XX or 2XX level		3
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HIST 390	Historical Research and Writing	3
HIST 489	Senior Seminar (Capstone) ¹	3
Additional History Electives		6
Distribution Requirement: Minimum credit required for each distribution area.		
North American History - Select 6 credits from the following:		6
RELS 240	"Cults" and New Religious Movements	
RELS 345	Church and State in America	
HIST 328	War and Society in America	
HIST 415	Public Memory and Memorialization in America	
HIST 420	Colonial American History	
HIST 421	Revolutionary America	
HIST 422	American Civil War and Reconstruction	
HIST 423	The Gilded Age and Progressive America	

HIST 424	U.S. History 1917-1960	
HIST 425	U.S. History 1917-Present II	
HIST 426	Women in American History	
HIST 431	The North American Plains	
HIST 434	Environmental History	
HIST 436	American Frontier to 1850	
European History - Select 6 credits of the following:		6
HIST 320	History of Christianity	
HIST 449	Ancient Rome: From Republic to Empire	
HIST 450	Ancient History	
HIST 451	Medieval History	
HIST 454	Renaissance And Reformation	
HIST 456	Europe 1815-1914	
HIST 457	Europe Since 1914	
HIST 464	Imperial Spain	
HIST 465	Germany since 1750	
HIST 467	History Of Russia II	
Widening Horizons - Select 6 credits of the following:		6
HIST 355	Global Islam	
HIST 381	Australia & New Zealand	
HIST 440	The Ottoman Empire	
HIST 473	Colonial Mexico	
HIST 474	Modern Mexico	
HIST 475	The Aztec, Maya, and Inca	
HIST 477	Slavery in the Atlantic World	
HIST 480	History of Modern China from 1600	
HIST 481	History of Japan	
HIST 482	Vietnam: 125 Years of Conflict	
HIST 484	Cultures and Civilizations of the Pre-modern World	
HIST 485	Cultural Exchange and the Making of the Modern World	
HIST 486	Plague! Tragedies and Triumphs of Globalization	
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¹ The prerequisite for HIST 489 Capstone is HIST 390.

Degree Requirements and Notes:

- Twenty-four (24) credits must be taken at the 300-400 level and of these 24, twenty (20) credits must be taken in residence at NDSU for a history major.