

SOCIAL SCIENCES: HISTORY MAJOR, A.S.

Location(s): AL, AN, LO, MA, WO
NOVA Code: 882-01

Purpose

This major is designed for students who want to establish a strong foundation in the analytical skills and content related to the study of history, historical methods, and research tools across a variety of subject fields, including U.S., European, World, and Public History. Graduates who complete the major will be prepared for transfer opportunities and careers in fields that require critical thinking and clear written communications, as well as a deeper understanding of the importance of being an active and engaged citizen. When transferring to a four-year college or university, graduates will have the equivalent skills and knowledge of a junior.

Transfer Information

Students are advised to work closely with the faculty and counseling staff for program and course scheduling. Electives should be chosen carefully to meet requirements of the transfer institution. The responsibility for proper course selection rests with the student.

Two Years

Course	Title	Credits
1st Semester		
Select one of the following: ¹		3-4
101 - World Language or ASL (https://catalog.nvcc.edu/world-languages/#wl101)		
Transfer Elective (p. 1)		
CST 100 or CST 110	Principles of Public Speaking or Introduction to Human Communication	3
ENG 111	College Composition I	3
HIS 101 or HIS 111	Western Civilizations Pre-1600 CE ² or World Civilizations Pre-1500 CE	3
Select one of the following: ³		3
MTH 154	Quantitative Reasoning	
MTH 161	PreCalculus I (or Higher)	
SDV 100 or SDV 101	College Success Skills or Orientation to:	1
Credits		16-17
2nd Semester		
Select one of the following: ¹		3-4
102 - World Language or ASL (https://catalog.nvcc.edu/world-languages/#wl102)		
Transfer Elective (p. 1)		
ENG 112	College Composition II	3
HIS 102 or HIS 112	Western Civilizations Post-1600 CE ² or World Civilizations Post-1500 CE	3
Select one of the following: ⁴		3
ITE 152	Introduction to Digital and Information Literacy and Computer Applications	
General Education Elective (https://catalog.nvcc.edu/general-education-electives/)		
Select one of the following: ³		3
MTH 155	Statistical Reasoning	
MTH 245	Statistics I (or Higher)	
Credits		15-16

3rd Semester		
Select one of the following: ¹		3-4
201 - World Language or AS (https://catalog.nvcc.edu/world-languages/#wl201)		
Transfer Elective (p. 1)		
HIS Elective (p. 2)		3
Humanities/Fine Arts Elective (https://catalog.nvcc.edu/general-education-electives/#ge_hum_fa_elect) ⁵		3
Physical or Life Science Elective w/Lab (https://catalog.nvcc.edu/general-education-electives/#ge_phy_life_sci_elec)		4
PSY 200 or SOC 200	Principles of Psychology or Introduction to Sociology	3
Credits		16-17
4th Semester		
Select one of the following: ¹		3-4
202 - World Language or ASL (https://catalog.nvcc.edu/world-languages/#wl202)		
Transfer Elective (p. 1)		
HIS Elective (p. 2)		3
Humanities/Fine Arts Elective (https://catalog.nvcc.edu/general-education-electives/#ge_hum_fa_elect) ⁵		3
Physical or Life Science Elective w/Lab (https://catalog.nvcc.edu/general-education-electives/#ge_phy_life_sci_elec)		4
Credits		13-14
Total Credits		60-64

Electives should be chosen with the advice of an academic advisor to meet the requirements of the intended transfer institution.

- ¹ Based on transfer pathways, students may choose to complete four semesters of a World Language or pursue a History Concentration (U.S. History, European/World History, or Public History). Refer to the Transfer Elective list below for course options.
- ² Students must take HIS 101 Western Civilizations Pre-1600 CE **and** HIS 102 Western Civilizations Post-1600 CE or HIS 111 World Civilizations Pre-1500 CE **and** HIS 112 World Civilizations Post-1500 CE as a sequence, based on transfer partner preference.
- ³ Students who plan to take MTH 245 Statistics I should take MTH 154 Quantitative Reasoning or MTH 161 PreCalculus I first. Credit will not be awarded for both MTH 155 Statistical Reasoning and MTH 245 Statistics I, or for both MTH 261 Applied Calculus I and MTH 263 Calculus I, or for both MTH 262 Applied Calculus II and MTH 264 Calculus II. Students should consult with an advisor to ensure mathematics courses meet their intended transfer institution requirement.
- ⁴ This elective is not needed if selections for all other requirements total 60 credits or more.
- ⁵ Students must choose courses from two of the following three areas: Fine Arts, Humanities, and Literature. Credit will not be awarded for taking two courses from the same area.

Transfer Elective - History Concentration

¹ Based on transfer pathways, students have the option of completing four semesters of a World Language or pursuing a History Concentration (U.S. History, European/World History, or Public History).

For the History Concentration, students can select from the following courses:

Code	Title	Credits
HIS 101	Western Civilizations Pre-1600 CE	3
HIS 102	Western Civilizations Post-1600 CE	3

HIS 111	World Civilizations Pre-1500 CE	3
HIS 112	World Civilizations Post-1500 CE	3
HIS 121	United States History to 1877	3
HIS 122	United States History Since 1865	3
HIS 127	Women in American History	3
HIS 141	African-American History I	3
HIS 142	African-American History II	3
HIS 180	Historical Archaeology	3
HIS 181	Introduction to Historic Preservation	3
HIS 183	Survey of Museum Practice	3
HIS 203	History of African Civilizations	3
HIS 218	Introduction to Digital History	3
HIS 231	Introduction to Latin American History	3
HIS 241	History of Russia I	3
HIS 243	History of The Ancient World I	3
HIS 254	History of Modern East Asian Civilizations	3
HIS 267	The Second World War	3
HIS 269	Civil War & Reconstruction	3
HIS 276	US History Since World War II	3
HIS 279	Age of The American Revolution	3
HIS 281	History of Virginia I	3

General Education Elective (<https://catalog.nvcc.edu/general-education-electives/>)¹

¹ Students may also choose a General Education Elective from another discipline, in accordance with the preferences of their transfer institution.

HIS Elective

Code	Title	Credits
HIS 121	United States History to 1877	3
HIS 122	United States History Since 1865	3
HIS 127	Women in American History	3
HIS 141	African-American History I	3
HIS 142	African-American History II	3
HIS 180	Historical Archaeology	3
HIS 181	Introduction to Historic Preservation	3
HIS 183	Survey of Museum Practice	3
HIS 203	History of African Civilizations	3
HIS 231	Introduction to Latin American History	3
HIS 241	History of Russia I	3
HIS 243	History of The Ancient World I	3
HIS 254	History of Modern East Asian Civilizations	3
HIS 267	The Second World War	3
HIS 269	Civil War & Reconstruction	3
HIS 276	US History Since World War II	3
HIS 279	Age of The American Revolution	3
HIS 281	History of Virginia I	3

History Pathways

U.S History

Code	Title	Credits
HIS 121	United States History to 1877	3
HIS 122	United States History Since 1865	3
HIS 127	Women in American History	3
HIS 141	African-American History I	3
HIS 142	African-American History II	3
HIS 269	Civil War & Reconstruction	3
HIS 276	US History Since World War II	3
HIS 279	Age of The American Revolution	3
HIS 281	History of Virginia I	3

European/World History

Code	Title	Credits
HIS 203	History of African Civilizations	3
HIS 231	Introduction to Latin American History	3
HIS 241	History of Russia I	3
HIS 243	History of The Ancient World I	3
HIS 254	History of Modern East Asian Civilizations	3
HIS 267	The Second World War	3

Public History

Code	Title	Credits
HIS 180	Historical Archaeology	3
HIS 181	Introduction to Historic Preservation	3
HIS 183	Survey of Museum Practice	3
HIS 218	Introduction to Digital History	3