

HISTORY, BA

Graduates with a BA in history have several options including entry-level positions in history-related fields, graduate study in history, and solid liberal arts preparation for a variety of public service, business, writing, and education careers. The study of history has traditionally provided a strong background for graduates who go on to law school. Yet history degrees are versatile, viable, and valuable. Among the top skills that today's employers want are written and oral communication, solving problems, analyzing data, and obtaining and processing information. History majors develop those desirable skills.

History majors at Clayton State have an experience unique in the nation because no other institution of higher learning has a state archives and a regional national archives located immediately adjacent to campus. Clayton State students will have the opportunity to conduct research in these facilities, and internships in either facility are possible.

Graduates of this program will be able to:

- Discuss historical findings in clear and coherent presentations.
- Perform historical research using primary and secondary sources in libraries, archive, and other repositories of historical events.
- Identify and evaluate conflicting historical interpretations of events and personalities
- Write in a clear, analytical and organized manner, demonstrating appropriate professional documentation methods.
- Identify and critically evaluate primary and secondary historical sources.
- Identify and describe basic chronologies of US and world history.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Core IMPACTS		42
All core curriculum recommendations are shown under the Core IMPACTS section of the Undergraduate Graduation Requirements. (https://catalog.clayton.edu/graduation-requirements/undergraduate-graduation-requirements/core-curriculum/#nonsciencemajorstext)		
Field of Study - History		18
<i>World Language Option</i>		
Students contemplating advanced study in the field of history or international travel are strongly encouraged to study a language other than English.		0-6
<i>Lower Division Major Requirements</i>		
Choose 12 hours from the following: ¹		12
HIST 1111	Survey-PreModern World History	
	or HIST 1112 Survey of Modern World History	
HIST 2111	Survey of US History to 1877	
	or HIST 2112 US HIST Since Reconstruction	
HIST 2500	Historical Methods	
HIST 2750	Critical Trends and Issues	
<i>Lower Division Major Electives</i>		
Choose from the following:		0-6
AFAM 2010	Introduction to African American Studies	
ECON 2105	Principles of Macroeconomics	
ECON 2106	Principles of Microeconomics	

MATH 1401	Elementary Statistics	
PHIL 2010	Introduction to Philosophy	
PHIL 2030	Ethics, History, and Contemporary Perspectives	
PHIL 2040	Introduction to Aesthetics	
POLS 2101	Intro to Political Science	
POLS 2401	Intro to Global Issues	
PSYC 2103	Intro to Human Development	
SOCI 1101	Introduction to Sociology	
SOCI 2293	Modern Families	
Upper Division Major Requirements		9
HIST 3001	Historiography	3
HIST 3110	Georgia History and Government	3
HIST 4850	Senior Thesis in History	3
Required Upper Division United States History Core		12
Select 4 courses from the following:		
HIST 3010	Intro to Public History	
HIST 3120	Establishment-US 1607-1800	
HIST 3125	The Age of Jefferson & Jackson	
HIST 3130	The Civil War Era	
HIST 3132	The Reconstruction Era	
HIST 3135	US-Gilded Age & Prog. Era	
HIST 3140	Themes-Twentieth Cen. US Hist.	
HIST 3170	U.S. History, 1914-1945	
HIST 3180	Modern America, 1945-present	
HIST 3245	History through Film	
HIST 3330	Business & Economic History	
HIST 3420	Family History & Genealogical Resources	
HIST 3450	U.S. Military History	
HIST 3700	U.S. Historical Geography	
HIST 4003	Women's History	
HIST 4004	Environmental History	
HIST 4020	History of the Old South	
HIST 4030	History of the New South	
HIST 4040	African American Hist. to 1877	
HIST 4050	African Am. Hist. since 1877	
HIST 4440	Introduction to Museums	
HIST 4450	Intro- Historical Preservation	
HIST 4800	Selected Topics in History	
HIST 4900	Independent Study-History	
HIST 4901	History Internship	
HIST 4902	Archival Internship II	
HIST 4903	History Practicum	
Required Upper Division World History Core		12
Choose 4 courses from the following:		
HIST 3210	Twentieth Century World	
HIST 3221	Colonial Latin America	
HIST 3223	Modern Latin America	
HIST 3225	Caribbean History	
HIST 3227	History of Mexico	
HIST 3230	History of Sub Sahara Africa	
HIST 3240	Spec. Topics in Hist-Mid. East	
HIST 3245	History through Film (relevant topics)	

HIST 3250	Pre-Modern East Asian History
HIST 3255	Modern East Asian History
HIST 3260	Pre-Modern South Asia History
HIST 3265	Modern South Asian History
HIST 3270	Pre-Modern Russian History
HIST 3275	Modern Russian History
HIST 3280	History of Middle East to 1800
HIST 3285	History of Middle East-1800
HIST 3800	World Historical Geography
HIST 4110	Ancient Greece and Rome
HIST 4115	History of the Middle Ages
HIST 4150	Early Modern Europe
HIST 4160	Europe Since 1815
HIST 4250	History of World Religions
HIST 4800	Selected Topics in History
HIST 4900	Independent Study-History
HIST 4901	History Internship
HIST 4902	Archival Internship II

General History Concentration or Minor 15-21

History majors must select the General History Concentration or choose an approved minor in another discipline.

Choose 5-7 additional Upper Division (3000-4000 level) HIST courses.

Upper-Division Free Electives 3-12

Choose 3-12 hours of 3000-level or above courses from any course prefix

Free Elective 0-3

Choose any course numbered 1000 or higher (except PHED, WLAB, or courses identified in the catalog as career or institutional credit courses).

Total Credit Hours 120

¹ Grades of C or better are required for all lower division HIST courses.

Suggested Course Sequence

Please Note: This is a suggested course sequence and assumes a starting freshman with no prior college credit who intends to complete their degree in four years. Students should consult with their academic advisor and review the course prerequisites and minimum grade requirements as seen in the Academic Catalog.

Course	Title	Credit Hours
First Year		
First Semester		
ENGL 1101	English Composition I ^{Core IMPACTS}	3
MATH 1101	Intro to Mathematical Modeling ^{Core IMPACTS}	3
CRIT 1101	Critical Thinking ^{Core IMPACTS}	3
POLS 1101	American Government ^{Core IMPACTS}	3
HIST 1111	Survey-PreModern World History ^{Core IMPACTS}	3
CSU 1000	First Year Seminar ¹	1
Credit Hours		16
Second Semester		
ENGL 1102	English Composition II ^{Core IMPACTS}	3
HIST 1112	Survey of Modern World History	3
Communication or Foreign Language	^{Core IMPACTS}	2
HIST 2111	Survey of US History to 1877 ^{Core IMPACTS}	3

AFAM 2010	Intro-African American Studies ^{Core IMPACTS}	3
or ECON 1101	or Economic of Financial Literacy	
or ECON 2105	or Principles of Macroeconomics	
or ECON 2106	or Principles of Microeconomics	
or PSYC 1101	or Intro to General Psychology	
or SOCI 1101	or Introduction to Sociology	
or WST 2010	or Intro to Women's Studies	

Credit Hours 14

Second Year

First Semester

HIST 2112	US HIST Since Reconstruction	3
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AFAM 2010	Intro-African American Studies	3
or ECON 2105	or Principles of Macroeconomics	
or ECON 2106	or Principles of Microeconomics	
or MATH 1401	or Elementary Statistics	
or PHIL 2010	or Introduction to Philosophy	
or PHIL 2030	or Ethics/History/Cntmpty Persp	
or PHIL 2040	or Intro to Aesthetics	
or POLS 2101	or Intro to Political Science	
or POLS 2401	or Intro to Global Issues	
or PSYC 2103	or Intro to Human Development	
or SOCI 1101	or Introduction to Sociology	
or SOCI 2293	or Modern Families	

HIST 2750	Critical Trends and Issues	3
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Science Course with Lab ^{Core IMPACTS}		4
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Math, Science, or Technology Course ^{Core IMPACTS}		3
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Credit Hours 16

Second Semester

HIST 3110	Georgia History and Government	3
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Science Course without Lab ^{Core IMPACTS}		3
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AFAM 2010	Intro-African American Studies	3
or ECON 2105	or Principles of Macroeconomics	
or ECON 2106	or Principles of Microeconomics	
or MATH 1401	or Elementary Statistics	
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Fine Arts or Intermediate Foreign Language ^{Core IMPACTS}		3
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Literature, Philosophy, or Foreign Language ^{Core IMPACTS}		3
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Credit Hours 15

Third Year

First Semester

HIST 2500	Historical Methods ²	3
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World History Elective (3000/4000 HIST Course)		3
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US History Elective (3000/4000 HIST Course)		3
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Minor or HIST Elective (3000/4000 Course)		3
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Minor or HIST Elective (3000/4000 Course)		3
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Credit Hours 15

Second Semester

HIST 3001	Historiography ²	3
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World History Elective (3000/4000 HIST Course)		3
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US History Elective (3000/4000 HIST Course)		3
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Minor or HIST Elective (3000/4000 Course)		3
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Minor or HIST Elective (3000/4000 Course)		3
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Credit Hours 15

Fourth Year

First Semester

HIST 4850	Senior Thesis in History ²	3
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World History Elective (3000/4000 HIST Course)		3
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US History Elective (3000/4000 HIST Course)		3
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Minor or HIST Elective (3000/4000 Course)		3
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Minor or HIST Elective (3000/4000 Course)	3
Credit Hours	15
Second Semester	
History Elective	3
World History Elective (3000/4000 HIST Course)	3
US History Elective (3000/4000 HIST Course)	3
Free Elective	3
Related Elective (3000/4000 Course)	3
Credit Hours	15
Total Credit Hours	121

¹ First-time traditional students enrolling in 9 or more semester hours are required to enroll in CSU 1000 First Year Seminar

² HIST 2500, HIST 3001, and HIST 4850 are designed to be taken in a three-semester sequence.

Grades of "C" or above are required in ALL history courses used in Core IMPACTS and Field of Study areas of the history major. No more than two grades of "D" in upper division courses are allowed in the history major. 1000 or 2000 level courses used in upper division are included in this restriction.