HIST - HISTORY

HIST401 Science and Gender (3 Credits)
Examine the role of women and gender in the history of science. Includes consideration of barriers to women's participation in science; women's role as scientific subjects and researchers; and questions about the scientific construction of gender and the gendered construction of science.
Credit Only Granted for: HIST401 or HIST429R.
Formerly: HIST429R.

HIST404 History of Modern Biology (3 Credits)
The internal development of biology in the 19th and 20th centuries, including evolution, cell theory, heredity and development, spontaneous generation, and mechanism-vitalism controversies. The philosophical aspects of the development of scientific knowledge and the interaction of biology with chemistry and physics.

HIST405 Environmental History (3 Credits)
An introduction to the key issues and methods of environmental history. The scope of the subject is discussed, as well as its relationship with other disciplines, such as ecology, anthropology, and geography. A primary focus is environmental change in history with emphasis on the American experience.

HIST407 Technology and Social Change in History (3 Credits)
Social consequences of technological innovations and the ways in which societies have coped with new technologies.

HIST408 Senior Seminar (3 Credits)
A capstone course for history majors, designed to increase historical knowledge and the ability to analyze texts and arguments. Topics will focus on the literature of a particular field and primary-source research.
Restriction: Must be in History program.
Repeatable to: 6 credits if content differs.

HIST415 Ideas and Politics in Europe Since 1900 (3 Credits)
Examination of intersection of ideas and politics in Europe since 1900. Focus will be on advocates of liberalism, social democracy, fascism, Nazism, communism, and conservatism and their impact on political and policy since 1900.

HIST416 History of Slavery and the Slave Trade in Africa (3 Credits)
Examine the history and impact of the slave trade on African states, societies, and economies. Investigates the meaning of slavery in Africa, the local uses of slavery there and Africa's connections to the Trans-Saharan, Red Sea, and Trans-Atlantic slave trades.
Credit Only Granted for: HIST416 or HIST419Y.
Formerly: HIST419Y.

HIST417 Colonial Encounters: Natives, Spaniards, and Africans in the New World (3 Credits)
An exploration of the discourses and practices of the Spanish colonial project in the New World and the ways in which Indians and Blacks were incorporated into or excluded from that project. Also examines native and African resistance and adaptation to Spanish rule, and the process of transformation and hybridization of Spanish, native and African cultures in Spanish America. An analysis of recent historiographical developments that have profoundly changed the understanding of the Spanish conquest and colonization of the New World.
Recommended: HIST220 and HIST250.
Credit Only Granted for: HIST417 or HIST428Y.
Formerly: HIST428Y.

HIST418 Jews and Judaism: Selected Historical Topics (3 Credits)
Prerequisite: HIST281, HIST283, HIST106, HIST286, or HIST282; or permission of instructor.
Repeatable to: 6 credits if content differs.

HIST419 Special Topics in History (3 Credits)
Repeatable to: 9 credits if content differs.

HIST419Q Before the Holocaust: The Golden Age of Eastern European Jewry (3 Credits)
An exploration of the history of the Jews of Eastern Europe from the period of the Polish Lithuanian Commonwealth until the Holocaust. Topics to be covered include religious, political, social, and cultural transformation of Jewish life in Eastern Europe in the context of the general political changes in the area.Cross-listed with: JWST370.
Credit Only Granted for: JWST419E, JWST370, or HIST419Q.
Formerly: JWST419E.

HIST421 Medieval Heresies (3 Credits)
An examination of twelfth- and thirteenth-century heresies in the medieval West. Consideration of why so many heretics emerged, and how the church attempted to deal with them, and what effect their persecution had on Europe both then and later. Special attention given to groups that stood on the fine line between heresy and orthodox religion.
Credit Only Granted for: HIST408L or HIST421.
Formerly: HIST408L.

HIST424 Imperial Russia (3 Credits)
The rise and fall of the Russian Empire, Peter the Great to the collapse of tsarism in revolution. Emphasis on the evolution of autocracy, social groups, national identities, and cultural change.

HIST426 Age of Decline: Britain 1914 to Present (3 Credits)
British society since the First World War. The social, cultural, economic, and political impact of the First World War; labor and politics in the 1920s and 1930s; the inter-war Depression, appeasement and foreign policy; the social impact of the Second World War; the welfare state and nationalization of industry; the dissolution of Empire; the emergence of a consumer society; social criticism in the 1950s; the economic and political problems of the 1960s and 1970s.

HIST428 Selected Topics in History (3 Credits)
Repeatable to: 9 credits.

HIST429 Special Topics in History (3 Credits)
Repeatable to: 9 credits.

HIST429X Tradition and Change: Jewish Religion in the Modern World (3 Credits)
An exploration of the history of the different modern Jewish religious movements that developed in Europe, starting with messianic movements and ending with Reform and Orthodoxly. Emphasis will be placed on the influence of the academic study of Judaism on the development of modern Jewish religious ideologies and practices.Cross-listed with: JWST347, RELS347.
Credit Only Granted for: RELS347, JWST347, HIST429X, or RELS419R.
Formerly: RELS419R.

HIST430 Reformation in Politics, Religion, and Gender: England 1485-1603 (3 Credits)
An examination of the political, religious, and social forces in England life, 1485-1603, with special emphasis on Tudor government, the English reformation, and the Elizabethan era.

HIST431 Becoming Great Britain, 1603-1704 (3 Credits)
An examination of the political, religious, and social forces in English life, 1603-1714, with special emphasis on Puritanism and the English revolutions.
HIST433 Strategic Military Theory: Clausewitz (3 Credits)
An exploration of Clausewitzian thought. Topics include the conduct of fighting and war planning, the relationship of war and politics, guerrilla war, the principles of concentration of force, the Clausewitzian trinity, absolute war and real war, unlimited and limited war, the relative strengths of the defense and the attack, and the intuitive sources of strategic decision.
Credit Only Granted for: HIST419J or HIST433.
Formerly: HIST419J.

HIST436 Napoleon, the French Revolution and the World (3 Credits)
An argument for the broad continuity between the revolutionary and Napoleonic wars.

HIST437 Modern France from Napoleon to DeGaulle (3 Credits)
The changing political and cultural values of French society in response to recurrent crises throughout the 19th and 20th centuries. Students should have had some previous survey of either Western civilization or European history.

HIST441 Germany Since 1900 (3 Credits)
Course places Nazism in context of German and European history. Topics include collapse of German democracy and the establishment of the Nazi dictatorship; the role of Hitler; the response of political, military, economic, diplomatic, legal, media, theological elites and the broader population; the mix of terror, consent and coercion; propaganda and Nazi culture; contours of Nazi racial ideology and anti-Semitism and their impact on domestic and foreign racial policy; the economic history of the Nazi regime; foreign policy from rearmament to launching World War II to expansion and defeat; Jewish policy from the years of persecution to those of extermination; Nazi policy in Eastern and Western Europe, towards the United States, and towards North Africa and the Middle East; why the Allies won World War II and why and how Nazi Germany was defeated; the nature of the Allied occupation after 1945; the Nuremberg war crime trials; aftermath of facing and avoiding the crimes of the Nazi regime in West and East Germany.

HIST442 Twentieth-Century Russia (3 Credits)
Russia and the Soviet Union from the fall of the tsars to the post-communist present. Impact of Leninism, Stalinism, and Soviet Communism on state, society, culture, and nationality.

HIST446 Old Regime France, 1589-1789 (3 Credits)
An exploration of the demographic patterns of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. Examination of arguments that the population was governed by Malthusian constraints; the social structure of the time; the nature of the elites; the debate over the phrase "rise of the bourgeoisie"; the Enlightenment both as an intellectual phenomenon and as a social agent; and arguments that Enlightenment led to the desacralization of the monarchy.
Credit Only Granted for: HIST419I or HIST446.
Formerly: HIST419I.

HIST447 Riot, Law and Justice in European History (3 Credits)
An examination of the role of violence and the attempt of law to contain or punish it. Major interpretations of societal codes of honor, retribution, and punishment, and how violence is governed by these codes.
Credit Only Granted for: HIST428C or HIST447.
Formerly: HIST428C.

HIST450 American Capitalism: 1600-1900 (3 Credits)
This course explores the transformation of economic life in what became the United States from pre-colonial times to 1900, with special emphasis on economic interactions among Native American, Mexican, and European societies; how and why capitalism took root and became dominant; economic dimensions of the Revolutionary and Civil Wars; why the North, South, and West followed distinct economic paths; the revolutions in transportation and communications; slavery as a business system; causes and consequences of industrialization; and trends in the distribution of wealth and income.
Prerequisite: HIST200, HIST210, HIST213, HIST222, HIST254, HIST275, or HIST311; or permission of instructor.

HIST451 American Capitalism: 1900 to Present (3 Credits)
An examination of the evolution of American capitalism from 1900 to the present, with special attention on the emergence of the United States as the world's leading economic power; the impact of big business on work and government regulation; causes and consequences of the Great Depression; the role of business in the two world wars; postwar growth followed by the decline of U.S. global competitiveness; why consumerism occupied a central role in U.S. history; the influence of economic theory on policymaking; realities and mythologies of Reaganomics and Clintonomics; and the economic impact of the digital revolution.
Prerequisite: HIST201, HIST211, HIST213, HIST222, HIST255, or HIST275; or permission of instructor.

HIST452 Diplomatic History of the United States to 1914 (3 Credits)
American foreign relations from the American Revolution to the beginning of World War I. International developments and domestic influences that contributed to American expansion in world affairs. Analyses of significant individuals active in American diplomacy and foreign policy.

HIST453 Diplomatic History of the United States from 1914 (3 Credits)
American foreign relations in the 20th century. World War I, the Great Depression, World War II, the Cold War, the Korean War, and Vietnam. A continuation of HIST452.

HIST454 Constitutional History of the United States: From Colonial Origins to 1865 (3 Credits)
The interaction of government, law, and politics in the constitutional system. The nature and purpose of constitutions and constitutionalism; the relationship between the constitution and social forces and influences, the way in which constitutional principles, rules, ideas, and institutions affect events and are in turn affected by events. The origins of American politics and constitutionalism through the Constitutional Convention of 1787. Major constitutional problems such as the origins of judicial review, democratization of government, slavery in the territories, secession, and civil war.

HIST455 Constitutional History of the United States: Since 1865 (3 Credits)
American public law and government, with emphasis on the interaction of government, law, and politics, and the relationship between the constitution and social forces and influences, the way in which constitutional principles, rules, ideas, and institutions affect events and are in turn affected by events. Major crises in American government and politics such as Reconstruction, the rise of corporate power, civil liberties during wartime, the New Deal era, the civil disorders of the 1960s.

HIST457 History of American Culture and Ideas Since 1865 (3 Credits)
A continuation of HIST456, from the Civil War to the present.
Prerequisite: HIST201, HIST211, HIST213, HIST222, HIST255, or HIST275; or must have completed HIST157; or permission of instructor.
HIST459 Society in America: Historical Topics (3 Credits)
A consideration of selected aspects of American society from colonial times to the present. Special emphasis on regionalism, immigration, nativism, minorities, urbanization, and social responses to technological changes.
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HIST 492 Women and Society in the Middle East (3 Credits)
Examines the customs, values and institutions that have shaped women's experience in the Middle East in the past and in the contemporary Middle East.
Recommended: Prior coursework in Middle East studies or gender studies. Cross-listed with: WGSS456.
Credit Only Granted for: HIST492, WMST456 or WGSS456.
Formerly: WMST456.

HIST 495 Women in Medieval Culture and Society (3 Credits)
Medieval women's identity and cultural roles: the condition, rank and rights of medieval women; their access to power; a study of women's writings and the constraints of social constructs upon the female authorial voice; and contemporary assumptions about women. Cross-listed with: WGSS455.
Credit Only Granted for: HIST495, WMST455 or WGSS455.
Formerly: WMST455.

HIST 499 Independent Study (1-3 Credits)
Restriction: Permission of ARHU-History department.
Repeatable to: 6 credits.

HIST 601 History and Contemporary Theory (3 Credits)
An introduction to contemporary theories in philosophy, literary criticism, cultural studies, anthropology, and other fields; and analysis of their usefulness to historians.

HIST 607 The Teaching of History in Institutions of Higher Learning (1 Credit)

HIST 608 General Seminar (3 Credits)
General seminar in student's major field of study (e.g., U.S.; Women and Gender; International, World, and Comparative; Science and Technology; Latin America) exploring the concentration's major issues, topics, and literature.
Restriction: Permission of ARHU-History department.
Repeatable to: 9 credits if content differs.

HIST 609 Readings in the History of Science and Technology (3 Credits)

HIST 610 Introduction to Museum Scholarship (3 Credits)
Provides students a basic understanding of museums as cultural and intellectual institutions. Topics include the historical development of museums, museums as resources for scholarly study, and the museum exhibition as medium for presentation of scholarship. Cross-listed with ANTH655, AMST655.
Credit Only Granted for: AMST655, ANTH655, or HIST610.

HIST 618 Readings in Women's and Gender History (3 Credits)

HIST 619 Special Topics in History (1-3 Credits)

HIST 628 Readings in Colonial American History to 1763 (3 Credits)
Major historical literature on various groups and developments in the European colonies that later became the United States through the period ending with the British-French "Great War for Empire."

HIST 629 Readings in the American Revolution and New Nation, 1763 to 1812 (3 Credits)

HIST 638 Special Topics in History (3 Credits)
Special Topics in History.
Repeatable to: 9 credits if content differs.

HIST 639 Special Topics in History (3 Credits)
Special Topics in History.
Repeatable to: 9 credits if content differs.

HIST 648 Readings in Early 20th-Century America, 1900-1941 (3 Credits)
Major historical literature on various groups and developments in the United States between the Progressive Era and the beginning of World War II.

HIST 649 Readings in Recent American History, 1941-Present (3 Credits)
Key subjects, themes, and historiographic debates in the history of the United States from 1941 to the present.

HIST 658 Readings in American Constitutional and Legal History (3 Credits)
Historical literature on the American constitutional order from the colonial foundations to the present. The founding and development of political and constitutional institutions examined from the perspectives of law, politics, government and political philosophy.

HIST 659 Readings in American Cultural and Intellectual History (3 Credits)
Major historical literature pertinent to the cultural/intellectual development of the varied peoples of the United States.

HIST 666 Readings in American Social History (3 Credits)
Major historical literature related to specific issues in the social history of the United States.

HIST 669 Readings in U.S. Economic and Business History (3 Credits)
An overview of U.S. economic and business history and historiography from colonial times to the present. Emphasizes the methodologies of "new" economic historians and institutional business historians, the evolving role of the state in the American economy, and cultural dimensions of economic change.
Repeatable to: 6 credits.

HIST 678 Readings in American Labor History (3 Credits)
Major historical literature related to the development of the American working class, the labor movement, and gender/racial/ethnic issue within them.

HIST 679 Readings in the History of American Foreign Policy (3 Credits)
Major historical literature related to the diplomacy and international relations of the United States.

HIST 689 Readings in Southern History (3 Credits)
Major historical literature centered on the development and peoples of the southern United States.

HIST 698 Professional Internship (3 Credits)
Internship with a professional organization in the historical disciplines or related fields.
Restriction: Must be in one of the following programs (History (Master's); History (Doctoral)).
Repeatable to: 6 credits if content differs.

HIST 708 Directed Independent Reading for Comprehensive Examinations I (1-4 Credits)
Directed reading in preparation for Doctoral Comprehensive Examinations. In consultation with their advisors, students will select a number of books and articles from an approved list. Grading for the course will reflect performance on the written and oral sections of the Comprehensive Examinations.
Restriction: Permission of ARHU-History department.
Repeatable to: 12 credits if content differs.
HIST709 Directed Independent Reading for Comprehensive Examinations II (1-4 Credits)
Directed reading in preparation for Doctoral Comprehensive Examinations. In consultation with their advisors, students will select a number of books and articles from an approved list. Grading for the course will reflect performance on the written and oral sections of the Comprehensive Examinations.
Repeateable to: 12 credits if content differs.

HIST711 Final Project in Historic Preservation II (2 Credits)
An independent, applied research project investigating the preservation of a particular site or a specialized issue in historic preservation. This is part two of a two-semester sequence and involves project research and writing.
Credit Only Granted for: HISP700 or HISP711.
Formerly: HISP700.

HIST718 Readings in Medieval History (3 Credits)

HIST719 Readings in the History of the Renaissance and Reformation (3 Credits)

HIST720 Readings in the History of the Catholic Church (3 Credits)
This is graduate-level readings seminar in the modern history of the Catholic Church. We will begin with the Reformation and proceed through the present day. This course will combine European history with global history, looking both at how the Church changed in the face of major turning points in modern European history (the Scientific, French, and Russian Revolutions; the two world wars; and the Cold War) and at its missionary encounters and long-term presence across the world (in Latin America, India, China, Africa, and North America).

HIST722 Readings in Modern European History (3 Credits)
Reading knowledge of some European language recommended but not required.

HIST739 Readings in the History of Great Britain (3 Credits)

HIST748 Readings in Modern French History (3 Credits)

HIST749 Readings in German History, 1815 to the Present (3 Credits)
Reading knowledge of German is encouraged, but not required.
Repeatable to: 9 credits if content differs.

HIST758 Readings in Eastern European History (3 Credits)
Selected topics in the history of the Hapsburg monarchy and the successor states, Poland and the Balkans. Emphasis on the rise of nationalism during the 19th century and the experience with fascism and communism in the 20th century.
Repeatable to: 6 credits if content differs.

HIST759 Readings in Russian and Soviet History (3 Credits)

HIST768 Readings in Chinese History (3 Credits)

HIST777 Readings in Latin American History (3 Credits)

HIST779 Readings in Middle Eastern History (3 Credits)

HIST789 Readings in Modern European Intellectual History (3 Credits)

HIST799 Readings in Jewish History (3 Credits)
Readings on selected topics in Jewish history. Emphasis on analysis of primary sources. Reading knowledge of Hebrew recommended.
Repeatable to: 6 credits.

HIST799 Master's Thesis Research (1-6 Credits)

HIST808 Seminar in the History of Science and Technology (3 Credits)

HIST809 Seminar in the History of Women and Gender (3 Credits)
Repeatable to: 9 credits if content differs.

HIST810 Museum Research Seminar (3 Credits)
A research seminar focusing on the practice and presentation of cultural and historical scholarship in museums and historical sites. Students will complete an original research project on the challenges and opportunities of public exhibition and interpretation of cultural and historical research.
Prerequisite: AMST655, ANTH655, or HIST610. Cross-listed with ANTH856, AMST856.
Credit Only Granted for: AMST856, ANTH856, or HIST810.

HIST811 Museum Scholarship Practicum (3-6 Credits)
Students devise and carry out a research program using the collections at the Smithsonian Institution or some other cooperating museum, working under joint supervision of a museum professional and a university faculty member.
Prerequisite: AMST856, ANTH856, or HIST810.
Restriction: Permission of Museum Scholarship Program required. Cross-listed with ANTH857, AMST857.
Credit Only Granted for: AMST857, ANTH857, or HIST811.

HIST819 Special Topics in History: Independent Research (1-3 Credits)
Individual graduate research in an area not covered by current seminar offerings. The product will be a finished research paper normally based on original materials.
Restriction: Must be in History program; and permission of ARHU-History department.
Repeatable to: 6 credits if content differs.

HIST829 Seminar in Latin American History (3 Credits)

HIST838 Seminar in Ancient History (3 Credits)
Restriction: Permission of instructor.
Repeatable to: 6 credits.

HIST839 Seminar in Medieval and Early Modern European History (3 Credits)

HIST848 Seminar in Modern European History (3 Credits)

HIST849 Seminar in Russian and Soviet History (3 Credits)

HIST869 Seminar in Recent American History (3 Credits)

HIST878 Seminar in Colonial American History (3 Credits)

HIST879 Seminar in the American Revolution and Formative Period (3 Credits)

HIST880 Seminar in Southern History (3 Credits)

HIST888 Seminar in the Middle Period and Civil War (3 Credits)

HIST898 Pre-Candidacy Research (1-8 Credits)

HIST899 Doctoral Dissertation Research (1-8 Credits)