The History Minor is designed to introduce students to the broad field of historical study, both by deepening their knowledge and understanding of the past and by developing their ability to do critical, historically-minded analysis. In working with both primary and secondary texts, students will hone their skills in research methods, critical thinking, and expository/analytical writing. The requirement that courses are distributed across geographic fields and chronological periods ensures that students consider the variety and range of historical experiences. History courses must be completed with a grade of C- or better to count toward the minor. Additionally, a minimum GPA of 2.0 is required across all courses counted toward the minor.

To make an appointment to explore or declare a minor, go to www.arhu.umd.edu/undergraduate/academics/minors

Requirements

Participating students must complete 18 credits (6 courses) in History.

• The courses must be distributed in at least 2 geographic fields (Asia, Europe, United States, Middle East, etc.).
• The courses must include at least one course in each of two chronological periods (pre-1750/post-1750).
• A minimum of 9 credits (3 courses) must be taken at the 3xx or 4xx-level.
• No more than 3 credits (1 course) may be taken at the 1xx-level.
• No more than 3 credits (1 course) may be fulfilled by AP, IB, or transfer credit.
• A student may use a maximum of 6 credits (2 courses) to satisfy requirements for both a major and a minor. Courses completed for one minor may not be used to satisfy the requirements for another minor.
• Any student is eligible to pursue the minor, with the exception of a student majoring in History.