European Union Studies

The European Union spans from Western Europe to the Baltic Region, Eastern and Central Europe, and to Cyprus. The new Europe manifests itself in different ways—through integrated economic markets, Europe-wide elections, evolving political institutions, and emerging European identity. It is significant due to its increasing global importance as well as the special character of its relationship with the US. The minor in European Union Studies seeks to equip students with the analytical tools to deal with the making and operation of the European Union. The European Union Studies minor is designed to give students an opportunity to gain multi-disciplinary expertise, as well as practical hands-on experience, in EU related affairs through course work and research opportunities.

**Minor in European Union Studies**

Students who select this minor must consult with and have approval of the Political Science adviser to establish a plan of study. This should be done prior to completing 6 hours of course work listed for the program. The program form must be filed with an academic advisor in the College of Liberal Arts and certified upon application for graduation by the Dean of the College in which the major study degree will be awarded.

**Required Courses:**

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<td>POLS 4320</td>
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<td>The Politics of the European Union</td>
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History

The history curriculum offers courses that provide all University students with the opportunity to deepen their understanding and appreciation of the development of the United States, Latin America, and Europe. These courses also assist students in refining their reading, listening, critical thinking, writing, communication, and research skills. The history curriculum offers integrated perspectives on political, social, economic, cultural, and military factors, which have shaped the city, the state, the nation, the region, Europe, and Latin America.

The history major is designed for students seeking certification for grades 4-8 and secondary education, a greater understanding of the past, or preparation for graduate-level studies in the humanities and law. Drawing upon the holdings of the Special Collections and Archives Department as well as other library resources, the program also offers graduate courses for students enrolled in the Master of Arts in History program and for those selecting history as a field in the Master of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies degree.

The history major requires a minimum of 33 semester hours of history course work, at least 27 of which must be at the upper-division level. Six additional hours of lower division United States history are required as part of the University core curriculum. The College of Liberal Arts also requires students in history to take at least 6 hours of a second language.
At the completion of the History major, the graduate is able to:

- think critically, read analytically, and write clearly;
- conduct independent research, handle primary sources, and construct an original historical thesis;
- understand the social, economic, and political dimensions of historical development.

**REQUIREMENTS FOR THE HISTORY MAJOR**

**Degree Requirements**

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*First Year Seminars

Full-time, first-year students are required to take the following courses:

- UCCP 1101/UCCP 1102  First-Year Seminar I, II  2

**Semester Hours**

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**Upper Division**

- HIST 3302 Latin American History  3 hrs.

3 hours from:

- HIST 3315 Europe 1750-1815  3 hrs.
- HIST 3317 Europe 1815-1914  3 hrs.
- HIST 3319 Europe 1914 to the Present  3 hrs.
- HIST 4340 European Women’s History  3 hrs.
- HIST 4342 The Holocaust  3 hrs.
- HIST 4345 European Thought and Culture, 1750-Present  3 hrs.

3 hours from:

- HIST 3320 Colonial & Revolutionary U.S.  3 hrs.
- HIST 3321 The Early American Republic  3 hrs.
- HIST 3323 Civil War and Reconstruction  3 hrs.
- HIST 3324 U.S. Gilded Age and Progressive Era  3 hrs.
- HIST 3325 Emergence of Modern U.S.  3 hrs.
- HIST 3326 U.S. Since 2nd World War  3 hrs.
- HIST 3335 The U.S. Urban Experience  3 hrs.
- HIST 4320 U.S. Cultural Experience  3 hrs.
- HIST 4325 Business & Labor History  3 hrs.
- HIST 4327 U.S. Modern Popular Culture  3 hrs.
- HIST 4335 The Military and United States History  3 hrs.
- HIST 4336 Mexican American History  3 hrs.
- HIST 4337 United States Women’s History  3 hrs.
- HIST 3331 Texas History  3 hrs.
- HIST 3340 Modern East Asia  3 hrs.
History majors must also take 6 hours of electives from the following two sets of courses:

3 hours from: 3 hrs.
HIST 4336 Mexican American History
POLS 4325 Politics in Latin America
MXAS 3301 Introduction to Mexican American Studies
MXAS 3311 Mexican American Literature
MXAS 4390 Topics in Mexican American Studies
ENGL 4361 Ethnic American Literature
SOCI 3312 Racial and Ethnic Relations
SOCI 3321 Mexican American Women
SOCI 4312 Social Class and Inequality

HIST 4337 United States Women’s History
HIST 4340 European Women’s History
POLS 3311 Women and Politics
ENGL 4360 Women’s Literature
SOCI 3320 Sociology of Gender
MXAS 4390 Topics in Mexican American Studies (with approval of dept.)

Total 33

Students planning to pursue graduate study should elect additional courses which help achieve proficiency in foreign languages and/or statistics.

MINOR IN HISTORY

Semester Hours

Lower Division
*HIST 1301 U.S. History to 1865 (3 hrs.)
*HIST 1302 U.S. History Since 1865 (3 hrs.)
HIST 2311 Western Civilization I 3 hrs.
HIST 2312 Western Civilization II 3 hrs.

Upper Division
3 hours from: 3 hrs.
HIST 3320 Colonial & Revolutionary U.S.
HIST 3321 The Early American Republic
HIST 3323 Civil War and Reconstruction
HIST 3324 U.S. Gilded Age and Progressive Era
HIST 3325 Emergence of Modern U.S.
HIST 3326 U.S. Since 2nd World War
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3 hours from: 3 hrs.
HIST 4373 Mexico: The Colonial Period
HIST 4374 Mexico: The National Period