

HISTORY

College of Liberal Arts
Department of History
907-474-7126
www.uaf.edu/history/

BA Degree

Minimum Requirements for Degree: 120 credits

The History Department prepares students to critically analyze and interpret cultural heritage, the great problems that have faced humans throughout history and how we have sought to solve them.

If you enjoy studying and researching major cultural, social, economic and political events of the past, then a BA in history may be for you. Through our program you will develop skills in oral and written presentation, research and critical thinking, and gain a greater awareness of the human condition. Our students also acquire an appreciation of the complexity of the discipline, an understanding that historical narratives are constructed, contested and always changing, and the recognition that there are varied perspectives on the past.

As liberal arts majors, history prepares students for a multitude of careers in the public, private and nonprofit sectors. History graduates may find work as educators, researchers and analysts, public relations representatives, advocates, and businessmen and -women.

Major — BA Degree

1. Complete the general university requirements. (See page 129. As part of the core curriculum requirements, complete HIST F100X.)*
2. Complete the BA degree requirements (page 133).
3. Complete the following program (major) requirements:*
- a. Complete three of the following:
HIST F101—Western Civilization.....3
HIST F102—Western Civilization3
HIST F121—East Asian Civilization3
HIST F122—East Asian Civilization.....3
HIST F131—History of the U.S.3
HIST F132—History of the U.S.3
- b. Complete the following:
HIST F275—Perspectives on History.....3
- c. Complete 5 HIST courses at the F300 or F400 level, at least 2 of which must be at the F400 level. 15
- d. Of the courses for the major, at least two (at any level) must be taken in each of the following three fields. These courses must be approved by an advisor.
 1. United States history
 2. European history
 3. Other areas, such as
Northern history (including Alaska)
World or non-western (non-U.S., non-European) history
Women's history
- e. Complete the following:
HIST F475W—Historiography.....3
HIST F476W/O—Senior Thesis.....3

4. Minimum credits required120

* Students must earn a C- grade or better in each course.

Note: Students who are considering graduate work in history are strongly urged to take at least two years of a foreign language.

Note: History majors are strongly urged to consult with the history department regarding the selection of a minor.

Minor

1. Complete HIST electives at the F300 level or above.....6
2. Complete HIST electives12
3. Minimum credits required18

Baccalaureate Core Requirements

Communication 9 Credits

- ENGL F111X—Introduction to Academic Writing.....(3)
ENGL F190H may be substituted.

Complete one of the following:

- ENGL F211X—Academic Writing about Literature.....(3)
- ENGL F213X—Academic Writing about the Social and Natural Sciences.....(3)

Complete one of the following:

- COMM F131X—Fundamentals of Oral Communication: Group Context.....(3)
- COMM F141X—Fundamentals of Oral Communication: Public Context.....(3)

9

Perspectives on the Human Condition 18 Credits

Complete all of the following four courses:

- ANTH F100X/SOC F100X—Individual, Society and Culture.....(3)
- ECON F100X or PS F100X—Political Economy.....(3)
- HIST F100X—Modern World History.....(3)
- ENGL/FL F200X—World Literature.....(3)

12

Complete one of the following three courses:

- ART/MUS/THR F200X—Aesthetic Appreciation: Interrelationship of Art, Drama and Music.....(3)
- HUM F201X—Unity in the Arts.....(3)
- ANS F202X—Aesthetic Appreciation of Alaska Native Performance.....(3)

3

Complete one of the following six courses:

- BA F323X—Business Ethics.....(3)
- COMM F300X—Communicating Ethics.....(3)
- JUST F300X—Ethics and Justice.....(3)
- NRM F303X—Environmental Ethics and Actions.....(3)
- PS F300X—Ethics and Society.....(3)
- PHIL F322X—Ethics.....(3)

3

Or complete 12 credits from the above courses plus one of the following:

- Two semester-length courses in a single Alaska Native language or other non-English language
- Three semester-length courses (9 credits) in American Sign Language taken at the university level.

6–9

Mathematics 3 Credits

Complete one of the following:

- MATH F103X—Concepts and Contemporary Applications of Mathematics.....(3)
- MATH F107X—Functions for Calculus*.....(4)
- MATH F161X—Algebra for Business and Economics**.....(3)
- STAT F200X—Elementary Probability and Statistics.....(3)

* No credit may be earned for more than one of MATH F107X or F161X.

Or complete one of the following:*

- MATH F200X—Calculus I**.....(4)
- MATH F201X—Calculus II.....(4)
- MATH F202X—Calculus III.....(4)
- MATH F262X—Calculus for Business and Economics.....(4)
- MATH F272X—Calculus for Life Sciences.....(4)

* Or any math course having one of these as a prerequisite

** No credit may be earned for more than one of Math F200X, F262X or F272.

3–4

Natural Sciences 8 Credits

Complete any two (4-credit) courses.

- ATM F101X—Weather and Climate of Alaska.....(4)
- BIOL F100X—Human Biology.....(4)
- BIOL F101X—Biology of Sex.....(4)
- BIOL F103X—Biology and Society.....(4)
- BIOL F104X—Natural History.....(4)
- BIOL F115X—Fundamentals of Biology I.....(4)
- BIOL F116X—Fundamentals of Biology II.....(4)
- BIOL F120X—Introduction to Human Nutrition.....(4)
- BIOL F213X—Human Anatomy and Physiology I.....(4)
- BIOL F214X—Human Anatomy and Physiology II.....(4)
- CHEM F100X—Chemistry in Complex Systems.....(4)
- CHEM F103X—Basic General Chemistry.....(4)
- CHEM F104X—Beginnings in Biochemistry.....(4)
- CHEM F105X—General Chemistry.....(4)
- CHEM F106X—General Chemistry.....(4)
- GEOG F111X—Earth and Environment: Elements of Physical Geography.....(4)
- GEOS F100X—Introduction to Earth Science.....(4)
- GEOS F101X—The Dynamic Earth.....(4)
- GEOS F106X—Life and the Age of Dinosaurs.....(4)
- GEOS F112X—History of Earth and Life.....(4)
- GEOS F120X—Glaciers, Earthquakes and Volcanoes.....(4)
- GEOS F125X—Humans, Earth and Environment.....(4)
- MSL F111X—The Oceans.....(4)
- PHYS F102X—Energy and Society.....(4)
- PHYS F103X—College Physics.....(4)
- PHYS F104X—College Physics.....(4)
- PHYS F115X—Physical Science I.....(4)
- PHYS F175X—Astronomy.....(4)
- PHYS F211X—General Physics.....(4)
- PHYS F212X—General Physics.....(4)
- PHYS F213X—Elementary Modern Physics.....(4)

8

Library and Information Research 0–1 Credit

- Successful completion of library skills competency test or LS F100X or LS F101X prior to junior standing

0–1

Upper-Division Writing and Oral Communication

Complete the following at the upper-division level:

- Two writing intensive courses designated (W) and one oral communication intensive course designated (O), or two oral communication intensive courses designated (O/2) (see degree and/or major requirements)

Total credits required 38–39

All degrees (e.g. B.A., B.S., etc.) require additional courses.

Refer to specific degree and program requirements.

Students must earn a C- grade or better in each course used toward the baccalaureate core.