History is the study of the causes and consequences of changes in human events across time. Like other liberal arts disciplines, historical study trains students to think critically by reading, writing about, and discussing the human experience. History stimulates a deeper understanding of today's cultures by considering them in a global context. The goal of the study of history is to help students develop powers of judgment and expression that will propel them to future leadership positions in education, the professions, government and public service, international organizations, communications, and business.

The department offers a broad-based Bachelor of Arts major and two Bachelor of Science options. One BS option emphasizes training in the social sciences and includes requirements in research methods as well as a minor in fields such as English, economics, political science, sociology, cinema studies, East Asian studies, or women's studies. The other BS option seeks to prepare students for public history fields such as museum administration, archival management, or historic preservation. The Department of History participates in numerous interdisciplinary programs, including East Asian studies; cinema studies; environmental studies; international affairs; Jewish studies; Latino/a, Latin American, and Caribbean studies; and women's studies.

All history majors take introductory courses in European, world, American, Middle Eastern, or East Asian history; an introductory course in historical methods; as well as advanced courses in a range of historical themes, periods, and regions. Students focus their studies by choosing a cluster of four courses in a particular geographical area, time period, or theme. The program emphasizes undergraduate research in the major and trains students to conduct research in archives and primary sources and to write research papers. Honors study is strongly encouraged for eligible students, as is study abroad. Advanced undergraduates have the opportunity to participate in individual directed study with members of the faculty on topics of mutual interest. Cooperative education placements, fieldwork, internships, and other experiential learning activities are also available. Undergraduates who plan to teach in public schools may combine history with education courses that can lead to state certification in Massachusetts.

The Department of History offers qualified undergraduates the opportunity to pursue a combined BA/MA or BS/MA degree in five years, upon the approval of the department. Students with a minimum 3.330 cumulative GPA and minimum 3.500 GPA in required history courses may apply for admission to the five-year MA program in history.

Transferring to the Major
Same as college standards. Acceptance into the major is based on students' ability to meet the department's criteria for admission and the availability of space in the program.

Academic Progression Standards
Same as college standards.

BA in History

NU CORE REQUIREMENTS
See page 42 for requirement list.

COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS FOR BA
See page 69 for requirement list.

HISTORY MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

Introductory History
Complete the following course:
HST U201 The History Colloquium 4 SH
and two additional courses from the following list:
HST U103 Women's Studies 4 SH
HST U110 Introduction to World History 4 SH
HST U120 Introduction to Public History 4 SH
HST U130 Introduction to American History 4 SH
HST U140 Introduction to African-American History 4 SH
HST U150 East Asian Studies 4 SH
HST U170 Introduction to European History 4 SH
HST U180 African History 4 SH
HST U185 Introduction to Middle Eastern History 4 SH

History Seminar and Historical Writing
Complete the following two courses concurrently:
HST U301 The History Seminar 4 SH
with HST U302 Historical Writing 1 SH

HISTORY CLUSTER
In conjunction with their history advisor, history majors must define a history cluster by the first semester of their junior year of study. A cluster comprises four history courses with no more than two courses in the 200–299 range.

ADDITIONAL HISTORY REQUIREMENTS

Pre-1800 Course
Complete one course from the following list. This course may count toward the history cluster or history elective:
HST U210 Atlantic Connection 4 SH
HST U222  History of Science and Technology  4 SH
HST U250  Emergence of East Asia  4 SH
HST U252  Japanese Literature and Culture  4 SH
HST U256  Chinese Civilization in Her Eyes  4 SH
HST U270  Ancient Greece  4 SH
HST U271  Ancient Rome  4 SH
HST U272  The Invention of Europe  4 SH
HST U273  Belief in Magic and Science in Europe  4 SH
HST U285  Russian Civilization  4 SH
HST U310  Spread of Buddhism  4 SH
HST U330  Colonial and Revolutionary America  4 SH
HST U370  Renaissance to Enlightenment  4 SH
HST U375  Culture and Identity in Early Modern England  4 SH
HST U390  Africa and the World in Early Times  4 SH
HST U391  Modern African Civilization  4 SH
HST U392  African Diaspora  4 SH
HST U393  Islam and Empires  4 SH
HST U411  Environment in the Age of Discovery  4 SH
HST U475  The Culture of Europe  4 SH

Capstone or Project
Complete one of the following courses:
HST U701  Capstone Seminar  4 SH
HST U911  Senior Project 1  4 SH
HST U912  Senior Project 2  4 SH

INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCED HISTORY COURSE REQUIREMENT
A minimum of three courses from the above requirements must be at a course level of HST U303 or higher. These courses may count toward the history cluster.

EXPERIENTIAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENT
The following course:
HST U301  The History Seminar  4 SH
fulfills the University’s experiential education requirement.

HISTORY MAJOR CREDIT REQUIREMENT
Complete 41 semester hours in the major.

GENERAL ELECTIVES
Additional courses taken beyond college and major course requirements to satisfy graduation credit requirements.

COOPERATIVE EDUCATION
If elected

UNIVERSITY-WIDE REQUIREMENTS
128 total semester hours required
Minimum 2.000 GPA required

BS in History

NU CORE REQUIREMENTS
See page 42 for requirement list.

HISTORY MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

Introductory History
Complete the following course:
HST U201  The History Colloquium  4 SH
and two additional courses from the following list:
HST U103  Women’s Studies  4 SH
HST U110  Introduction to World History  4 SH
HST U120  Introduction to Public History  4 SH
HST U130  Introduction to American History  4 SH
HST U140  Introduction to African-American History
HST U150  East Asian Studies  4 SH
HST U170  Introduction to European History  4 SH
HST U180  African History  4 SH
HST U185  Introduction to Middle Eastern History

History Seminar and Historical Writing
Complete the following two courses concurrently:
HST U301  The History Seminar  4 SH
with HST U302  Historical Writing  1 SH

HISTORY CLUSTER
In conjunction with their history advisor, history majors must define a history cluster by the first semester of their junior year of study. A cluster comprises four history courses with no more than two courses in the 200–299 range.

ADDITIONAL HISTORY REQUIREMENTS
Pre-1800 Course
Complete one course from the following list. This course may count toward the history cluster:
HST U210  Atlantic Connection  4 SH
HST U222  History of Science and Technology  4 SH
HST U250  Emergence of East Asia  4 SH
HST U252  Japanese Literature and Culture  4 SH
HST U256  Chinese Civilization in Her Eyes  4 SH
HST U270  Ancient Greece  4 SH
HST U271  Ancient Rome  4 SH
HST U272  The Invention of Europe  4 SH
HST U273  Belief in Magic and Science in Europe  4 SH
HST U285  Russian Civilization  4 SH
HST U310  Spread of Buddhism  4 SH
HST U330  Colonial and Revolutionary America  4 SH
HST U370  Renaissance to Enlightenment  4 SH
HST U375  Culture and Identity in Early Modern England  4 SH
HST U390  Africa and the World in Early Times  4 SH
HST U391  Modern African Civilization  4 SH
HST U392  African Diaspora  4 SH
HST U393  Islam and Empires  4 SH
HST U411  Environment in the Age of Discovery  4 SH
HST U475  The Culture of Europe  4 SH
Research Methods
Complete one course from the following list:

- CS U101 Computer Science and Its Applications 4 SH
- ECN U350 Statistics 4 SH
- ENV U560 Geographic Information Systems 4 SH
- LIN U115 Introduction to Logic 4 SH
- MTH U180 Statistical Thinking 4 SH
- MTH U280 Statistics and Software 4 SH
- PHL U215 Symbolic Logic 4 SH
- POL U400 Quantitative Techniques 4 SH
- PSY U320 Statistics in Psychological Research 4 SH
- SOC U320 Statistical Analysis in Sociology 4 SH

Capstone or Project
Nonpublic history concentrators should complete one of the following courses:

- HST U701 Capstone Seminar 4 SH
- HST U911 Senior Project 1 4 SH
- HST U912 Senior Project 2 4 SH

Public history concentrators satisfy this requirement within the concentration with HST U903 and HST U904.

MINOR OUTSIDE HISTORY
Students must complete a minor in any field outside history.

OPTIONAL PUBLIC HISTORY CONCENTRATION

Public History Courses
Complete the following three courses (HST U120 is prerequisite for HST U903 and HST U904):

- HST U120 Introduction to Public History 4 SH
- HST U903 Fieldwork in History 1 4 SH
- HST U904 Fieldwork in History 2 4 SH

Graduate Public History Course
Complete one graduate-level course in public history. See history faculty advisor for an approved list.

EXPERIENTIAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENT
The following course:

- HST U301 The History Seminar 4 SH

fulfills the University’s experiential education requirement.

INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCED HISTORY COURSE REQUIREMENT
A minimum of three courses from the above requirements must be at a course level of HST U303 or higher. These courses may count toward the history cluster.

HISTORY MAJOR CREDIT REQUIREMENT
Complete 45 semester hours in the major.

GENERAL ELECTIVES
Additional courses taken beyond college and major course requirements to satisfy graduation credit requirements.

COOPERATIVE EDUCATION
If elected

UNIVERSITY-WIDE REQUIREMENTS
128 total semester hours required
Minimum 2.000 GPA required

BA in Environmental Studies and History
See page 128.

BA/MA in History

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
FOR GRADUATE PROGRAM
Students must have a cumulative GPA of 3.330, a cumulative GPA of 3.500 in required courses in the history major, and no grades below C+ in required history courses.

NU CORE REQUIREMENTS
See page 42 for requirement list.

COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS FOR BA
See page 69 for requirement list.

HISTORY MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

Introductory History
Complete the following course:

- HST U201 The History Colloquium 4 SH

and two additional courses from the following list:

- HST U103 Women’s Studies 4 SH
- HST U110 Introduction to World History 4 SH
- HST U120 Introduction to Public History 4 SH
- HST U130 Introduction to American History 4 SH
- HST U140 Introduction to African-American History 4 SH
- HST U150 East Asian Studies 4 SH
- HST U170 Introduction to European History 4 SH
- HST U180 African History 4 SH
- HST U185 Introduction to Middle Eastern History 4 SH

History Seminar and Historical Writing
Complete the following two courses concurrently:

- HST U301 The History Seminar 4 SH
- HST U302 Historical Writing 1 SH

with HST U302 Historical Writing 1 SH

HISTORY CLUSTER
In conjunction with their history advisor, history majors must define a history cluster by the first semester of their junior year of study. A cluster comprises four history courses with no more than two courses in the 200–299 range.

ADDITIONAL HISTORY REQUIREMENTS

Pre-1800 Course
Complete one course from the following list. This course may count toward the history cluster or history elective:

- HST U210 Atlantic Connection 4 SH
- HST U222 History of Science and Technology 4 SH
- HST U250 Emergence of East Asia 4 SH
- HST U252 Japanese Literature and Culture 4 SH
HST U256 Chinese Civilization in Her Eyes 4 SH
HST U270 Ancient Greece 4 SH
HST U271 Ancient Rome 4 SH
HST U272 The Invention of Europe 4 SH
HST U273 Belief in Magic and Science in Europe 4 SH
HST U285 Russian Civilization 4 SH
HST U310 Spread of Buddhism 4 SH
HST U330 Colonial and Revolutionary America 4 SH
HST U370 Renaissance to Enlightenment 4 SH
HST U375 Culture and Identity in Early Modern England 4 SH
HST U390 Africa and the World in Early Times 4 SH
HST U391 Modern African Civilization 4 SH
HST U392 African Diaspora 4 SH
HST U393 Islam and Empires 4 SH
HST U411 Environment in the Age of Discovery 4 SH
HST U475 The Culture of Europe 4 SH

HST U701 Capstone Seminar 4 SH
HST U911 Senior Project 1 4 SH
HST U912 Senior Project 2 4 SH

INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCED HISTORY COURSE REQUIREMENT
A minimum of three courses from the above requirements must be at a course level of HST U303 or higher. These courses may count toward the history cluster.

EXPERIENTIAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENT
The following course:
HST U301 The History Seminar 4 SH
fulfills the University's experiential education requirement.

GRADUATE-LEVEL HISTORY REQUIREMENTS

Required Course
Complete the following course:
HST G101 Theory and Methodology 1 4 SH

Graduate Electives
Complete seven graduate electives.

GRADUATE GPA REQUIREMENT
Minimum 3.000 GPA required in all graduate HST courses

GENERAL ELECTIVES
Additional courses taken beyond college and major course requirements to satisfy graduation credit requirements.

COOPERATIVE EDUCATION
If elected

UNIVERSITY-WIDE REQUIREMENTS
160 total semester hours required
Minimum 2.000 GPA required

BS/MA in History

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
FOR GRADUATE PROGRAM
Students must have a cumulative GPA of 3.330, a cumulative GPA of 3.500 in required courses in the history major, and no grades below C+ in required history courses.

NU CORE REQUIREMENTS
See page 42 for requirement list.

HISTORY MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

Introductory History
Complete the following course:
HST U201 The History Colloquium 4 SH
and two additional courses from the following list:
HST U103 Women’s Studies 4 SH
HST U110 Introduction to World History 4 SH
HST U120 Introduction to Public History 4 SH
HST U130 Introduction to American History 4 SH
HST U140 Introduction to African-American History 4 SH
HST U150 East Asian Studies 4 SH
HST U170 Introduction to European History 4 SH
HST U180 African History 4 SH
HST U185 Introduction to Middle Eastern History 4 SH

History Seminar and Historical Writing
Complete the following two courses concurrently:
HST U301 The History Seminar 4 SH
with HST U302 Historical Writing 1 SH

HISTORY CLUSTER
In conjunction with their history advisor, history majors must define a history cluster by the first semester of their junior year of study. A cluster comprises four history courses with no more than two courses in the HST U200–299 range.

ADDITIONAL HISTORY REQUIREMENTS FOR BS STUDENTS

Pre-1800 Course
Complete one course from the following list. This course may count toward the history cluster:
HST U210 Atlantic Connection 4 SH
HST U222 History of Science and Technology 4 SH
HST U250 Emergence of East Asia 4 SH
HST U252 Japanese Literature and Culture 4 SH
HST U256 Chinese Civilization in Her Eyes 4 SH
HST U270 Ancient Greece 4 SH
HST U271 Ancient Rome 4 SH
HST U272 The Invention of Europe 4 SH
HST U273 Belief in Magic and Science in Europe 4 SH
HST U285 Russian Civilization 4 SH
HST U310 Spread of Buddhism 4 SH
HST U330 Colonial and Revolutionary America 4 SH
HST U370 Renaissance to Enlightenment 4 SH
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HST U375 Culture and Identity 4 SH in Early Modern England
HST U390 Africa and the World in Early Times 4 SH
HST U391 Modern African Civilization 4 SH
HST U392 African Diaspora 4 SH
HST U393 Islam and Empires 4 SH
HST U411 Environment in the Age of Discovery 4 SH
HST U475 The Culture of Europe 4 SH

Research Methods
Complete one course from the following list:
CS U101 Computer Science and Its Applications 4 SH
ECN U350 Statistics 4 SH
ENV U560 Geographic Information Systems 4 SH
LIN U115 Introduction to Logic 4 SH
MTH U180 Statistical Thinking 4 SH
MTH U280 Statistics and Software 4 SH
PHL U215 Symbolic Logic 4 SH
POL U400 Quantitative Techniques 4 SH
PSY U320 Statistics in Psychological Research 4 SH
SOC U320 Statistical Analysis in Sociology 4 SH

Capstone or Project
Nonpublic history concentrators should complete one of the following courses:
HST U701 Capstone Seminar 4 SH
HST U911 Senior Project 1 4 SH
HST U912 Senior Project 2 4 SH
Public history concentrators satisfy this requirement within the concentration with HST U903 and HST U904.

MINOR OUTSIDE HISTORY
Students must complete a minor in any field outside history.

OPTIONAL PUBLIC HISTORY CONCENTRATION

Public History Courses
Complete the following three courses (HST U120 is prerequisite for HST U903 and HST U904):
HST U120 Introduction to Public History 4 SH
HST U903 Fieldwork in History 1 4 SH
HST U904 Fieldwork in History 2 4 SH

Graduate Public History Course
Complete one graduate-level course in public history. See history faculty advisor for an approved list.

EXPERIENTIAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENT
The following course:
HST U301 The History Seminar 4 SH
fulfills the University’s experiential education requirement.

INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCED HISTORY COURSE REQUIREMENT
A minimum of three courses from the above requirements must be at a course level of HST U303 or higher. These courses may count toward the history cluster.

GRADUATE-LEVEL HISTORY REQUIREMENTS

Required Course
Complete the following course:
HST G101 Theory and Methodology 1 4 SH

Graduate Electives
Complete seven graduate electives. One fieldwork course is recommended.
FIELDWORK
HST G410 Fieldwork in History 1 4 SH
HST G411 Fieldwork in History 2 4 SH
HST G412 Fieldwork in History 3 4 SH

GRADUATE GPA REQUIREMENT
Minimum 3.000 GPA required in all graduate HST courses

GENERAL ELECTIVES
Additional courses taken beyond college and major course requirements to satisfy graduation credit requirements.

COOPERATIVE EDUCATION
If elected

UNIVERSITY-WIDE REQUIREMENTS
160 total semester hours required
Minimum 2.000 GPA required

Minor in History

REQUIRED COURSES
Complete four history courses, of which at least two must be taken at Northeastern and must be at the 200-level or higher (HST U200 to HST U699). History minors must have a total of 16 semester hours in history.

GPA REQUIREMENT
2.000 GPA required in the minor