

HISTORY MINOR

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Program Description

An understanding of the past is essential to shaping the present and future. History majors and minors are asked not to memorize facts, but to develop the reading, writing, and research skills necessary to understand the past and face the future. The undergraduate program leading to a B.A. in history provides rigorous training in research, analysis, and writing. Because students of history learn to evaluate evidence, write well, and think clearly, studying history is excellent training for almost any career.

Minor in History

Minor Requirements Effective Fall 2022

To complete a history minor, students must take 6 courses (18 credits) in history including:

- at least one course (3 credits) in each of the three geographic areas (global, European, US)
- at least one course (3 credits) in each chronological period (pre-modern, modern)
- 4/6 courses must be upper-level (300+)
- At least 5 courses (15 credits) have to be taken at Syracuse University. Students with AP credits are still required to take 5 courses here at Syracuse University.
- History Department Seminars (HST 301 Practicum in the Study of History and HST 401 Senior Seminar) are not required for the minor. Either or both may be taken and counted towards the minor. HST 301 Practicum in the Study of History would count towards the total of the 4/6 courses that must be upper level. HST 401 Senior Seminar would also count as the 4/6 required upper level courses. In addition, HST 401 Senior Seminar may also count towards the geographic distribution as well as the chronological distribution, depending on the topic of that HST 401 Senior Seminar as detailed in the course description.