

HISTORY, B.A.

Overview

Mission

In recognition of both the dignity and depravity of humankind, our aim is to develop historical insight into the diversity of civilizations, based upon our acknowledgment of God's providence, the dependability of his promises and his redemptive purpose on earth. Through the rigors of our discipline, we prepare our students to obey the Greatest Commandment and Great Commission through their lives and vocations. We aspire to prepare students for careers in education, public service, publishing, museum or archival work, library science, the law, ministry and business.

Degree Program

A Bachelor of Arts degree in History (<https://www.biola.edu/degrees/u/history-ba/>) is offered upon completion of the University baccalaureate and major requirements. The history major requires the completion of a minimum of 39 - 42 credits beyond the general education requirement, 24 of which must be upper-division.

Learning Outcomes

Program Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the Bachelor of Arts in History, students will be able to:

1. Develop a body of historical knowledge that demonstrates both breadth and depth in terms of content, a firm grasp of chronology, and an understanding of relevant geography and also provides the context for a particular historical problem (ULO 1).
2. Evaluate a variety of historical sources for their credibility, meaning, significance, and perspective and demonstrate an ability to place them in historical context (ULO 1).
3. Analyze multiple scholarly viewpoints that provide perspective on the past; identify and summarize other scholars' historical arguments; and recognize the importance of building on other scholars' work, peer review, and citation (ULO 1).
4. Craft a historical narrative and argument by generating a significant question and finding and choosing appropriate sources, which is reasoned and based on historical evidence selected, arranged, and analyzed (ULO 3).
5. Apply a biblical philosophy of history to their own study, writing, and analysis of social, political, religious, cultural, and/or economic issues (ULO 2).

Each Program Learning Outcome (PLO) listed above references at least one of the University Learning Outcomes (ULO 1, 2, 3), which may be found in the General Information section (<https://catalog.biola.edu/general-information/#UniversityLearningOutcomes>) of this catalog.

Program Requirements Curriculum Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
History majors meet the Core Curriculum requirement of 6 credits in history within the major.		
Program Courses		
HIST 100	World Civilizations I ¹	3
HIST 101	World Civilizations II	3
HIST 200	United States History To 1865 ¹	3
HIST 201	United States History Since 1865	3
HIST 290	Research Methods in History	3
HIST 321	History of the Christian Church	3
HIST 495	Capstone: History in Christian Faith and Practice	3
Select one of the following:		3
HIST 480	Research Seminar	
HIST 490 & HIST 491	Honors Program and Honors Program ²	
Select 12 credits (4 courses) from student's chosen concentration area		12
Select 9 credits (3 courses) from the other concentration area ^{2,3}		9
Program Course Requirements: 45 credits		
Core Curriculum Requirements ⁴		68
General Electives		7
Total Credits		120

¹ Fulfills the History Core Curriculum requirement. Torrey courses fulfill these requirements.

² Students in History Honors Program may substitute HIST 490 and HIST 491 for HIST 480 and a 3-credit History Elective (upper-division).

³ Students may take HIST 488 toward this requirement.

⁴ See Core Curriculum Program section (<https://catalog.biola.edu/academic-policies/undergraduate-core-curriculum-program/>) for details.

Concentrations

Civilizations of the World

Code	Title	Credits
HIST 303	Modern British History	3
HIST 304	Ancient Near East	3
HIST 306	Studies in British History	3
HIST 313	Medieval Europe	3
HIST 318	Studies in Modern Europe	1-3
HIST 323	Ancient Greece	3
HIST 324	Roman History	3
HIST 331	History of East Asia	3
HIST 332	Studies in Asian Civilizations	3
HIST 335	History of Modern China	3
HIST 400	Studies in Developing Nations	3
HIST 415	Oral History	3
HIST 418	The History of the City	3

HIST 420	History of Russia	3
HIST 422	Renaissance and Reformation	3
HIST 423	Early Modern Europe	3
HIST 424	Twentieth Century Europe	3
HIST 425	War and Civilization	3
HIST 427	Nazi Germany and the Holocaust	3
HIST 430	History of the Jewish People	3
HIST 433	History of Christianity in Africa	3
HIST 441	History of the Middle East and Islam I	3
HIST 442	History of the Middle East and Islam II	3
HIST 445	Africa: History, Peoples and Culture	3
HIST 447	Topics in African History	3
HIST 454	Arab-Israeli Conflict	3
HIST 455	History of Israel and Zionism	3
HIST 456	Muslim, Jewish and Christian Relations	3

Civilizations of the Americas

Code	Title	Credits
HIST 300	The Black American Experience	3
HIST 307	The Colonial Period, American Revolution, 1607–1800	3
HIST 308	American Democracy, Civil War and Reconstruction, 1800–1877	3
HIST 310	Social and Intellectual History of the United States	3
HIST 312	History of Latin America	3
HIST 320	The American Presidency	3
HIST 321	History of the Christian Church	3
HIST 325	Themes in American History	3
HIST 360	Economic History of the United States	3
HIST 390	History of Mexico	3
HIST 401	The Rise of Modern America, 1877–1920	3
HIST 402	The United States Since 1920	3
HIST 403	California History	3
HIST 408	The Church in the American Experience	3
HIST 412	The American West	3
HIST 415	Oral History	3
HIST 418	The History of the City	3
HIST 425	War and Civilization	3

Other Programs

History Honors Program

This program is designed for senior history majors and for those who have history concentrations in social science and humanities. It is designed as a year-long, independent research project under faculty supervision. Students who are a few credits short of senior standing may petition the chairman for admission into the Honors Program. Students entering the program must have 15 credits of upper-division

history. History majors with a departmental GPA of 3.5 or better are eligible. Candidates for honors will be required to meet all history major requirements: the program will count as six credits of work (see HIST 490, HIST 491). The J.O. Henry Prize will be given annually for the outstanding paper in the disciplines of History, Political Science or Social Science.

History: Secondary Instruction

The History and Political Science Department offers a major in History with a Secondary Instruction Concentration.

The Professional Teacher Preparation Program (<https://catalog.biola.edu/soe/LSEE-ba/#TeacherPrepProgram>) leading to a California Teaching Credential at Biola University is subject to change in response to new legislation. Please see a credential analyst in the School of Education for current information on completing the requirements for a teaching credential. Students must consult with both their major advisor and a School of Education advisor.

In order to complete this program, students must:

1. Fulfill all of the requirements of the History: Secondary Instruction Concentration program.
2. Take the required LEDU courses.

The courses required for this specialized history program help prepare students to pass the CSET Examination in Social Science. Students must pass the CSET Examination prior to applying for student teaching.

Code	Title	Credits
Secondary Instruction students meet the Core Curriculum requirement of 12 credits in behavioral science, history, and philosophy within the concentration.		
Program Courses		
HIST 100	World Civilizations I ¹	3
HIST 101	World Civilizations II	3
HIST 200	United States History To 1865 ¹	3
HIST 201	United States History Since 1865	3
HIST 290	Research Methods in History	3
HIST 321	History of the Christian Church	3
HIST 360	Economic History of the United States	3
HIST 403	California History	3
HIST 480	Research Seminar ²	3
	or HIST 490 & HIST 491	Honors Program and Honors Program
HIST 495	Capstone: History in Christian Faith and Practice	3
PHIL 215	Introduction to Ethics ³	3
POSC 211	Introduction to Political Economy	3
POSC 225	Survey of American Government	3
PSYC 200	Introduction to Psychology ⁴	3

Elective Courses

Select 12 credits of upper-division History elective courses:² 12

6 credits of upper-division US History courses

6 credits of upper-division World History courses

Program-Specific Education Courses

In addition to courses in History, students must take the following Education courses:

LEDU 301	Introduction to Teaching	3
LEDU 330	Psychological Foundations of Education	3
LEDU 341	Methods of Teaching Linguistically Diverse Students	3
LEDU 425	Secondary Content Area Reading	3
LEDU 433	Single Subject Pedagogy	2
LEDU 438	Secondary Curriculum, Differentiation, and Assessment	3

Student teaching (12 credits) may be taken as a graduate student and is not required for undergraduate graduation. Please meet with an advisor in the School of Education.

LEDU 450	Secondary Student Teaching I	
LEDU 452	Secondary Student Teaching II	

Program Course Requirements: 71 credits

Core Curriculum Requirements⁵ **62**

Total Credits **133**

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² Students in History Honors Program may substitute HIST 490 and HIST 491 for HIST 480 and a 3-credit History Elective (upper-division).

³ Fulfills the Philosophy Core Curriculum requirement.

⁴ Fulfills the Behavioral Science Core Curriculum requirement.

⁵ See Core Curriculum Program section (<https://catalog.biola.edu/academic-policies/undergraduate-core-curriculum-program/>) for details.

Course Sequence

NOTE: The course sequence table is designed by the major department and is one way that the classes will work out properly in sequence for your major. However, there are alternative or flexible ways to rotate some of the classes within the same year/level and sometimes between year levels. Please contact your major department advisor to discuss flexible alternatives in scheduling the sequence of your classes.

Taking coursework during the summer session may also be an option to accelerate your degree path.

See Core Curriculum Program section (<https://catalog.biola.edu/academic-policies/undergraduate-core-curriculum-program/>) for a list of approved Core Curriculum courses.

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First Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
BBST 103 or 165	3 BBST 103 or 165	3
ENGL 100 or 112	3 HIST 101	3
GNST 102	1 KNES 107	1
HIST 100 (fulfills 3 credits of History Core Curriculum requirement)	3 Foreign Language (see Core Curriculum)	4

Foreign Language (see Core Curriculum)	4 Science (see Core Curriculum)	3
		14

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
BBST 209 or 210	3 BBST 209 or 210	3
HIST 200 (fulfills 3 credits of History Core Curriculum requirement)	3 HIST 201	3
HIST 290	3 HIST 321	3
Fine Arts (see Core Curriculum)	3 Literature (see Core Curriculum)	3
General Elective	3 General Elective	4
		15

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
BBST 251	3 BBST 354	3
History Concentration (upper-division) ¹	3 ENGL 313	3
History Elective (upper-division) ¹	3 History Elective (upper-division) ¹	3
Behavioral Science (see Core Curriculum)	3 History Concentration (upper-division) ¹	3
KNES Activity (see Core Curriculum)	1 Communication (see Core Curriculum)	3
Math (see Core Curriculum)	3 Graduation Application due in Registrar's Office	
		16

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
BBST 300/400 Bible Elective	3 BBST 300/400 Bible Elective	3
BBST 365	3 BBST 465	3
History Concentration (upper-division) ¹	3 History Concentration (upper-division) ¹	3
HIST 480 (or HIST 490 & 491) ²	3 HIST 495	3
Philosophy (see Core Curriculum)	3 History Elective (upper-division) ¹	3
		15

Total Credits 120

¹ Concentration consists of 12 credits in one area and 9 credits in the other area. (See requirements table)

² Students in History Honors Program may substitute HIST 490 and HIST 491 for HIST 480 and a 3-credit History Elective (upper-division).

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First Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
BBST 103 or 165	3 BBST 103 or 165	3
ENGL 100 or 112	3 HIST 101	3
GNST 102	1 POSC 225	3
HIST 100 (fulfills 3 credits of History Core Curriculum requirement)	3 PSYC 200 (fulfills Behavioral Science Core Curriculum requirement)	3
Foreign Language (see Core Curriculum)	4 Foreign Language (see Core Curriculum)	4
KNES 107	1	
		15

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
BBST 209 or 210	3 BBST 209 or 210	3
HIST 200 (fulfills 3 credits of History Core Curriculum requirement)	3 LEDU 341	3

LEDU 301	3 History Elective (upper-division): World	3
POSC 211	3 Communication (see Core Curriculum)	3
Fine Arts (see Core Curriculum)	3 Math (see Core Curriculum)	3
Literature (see Core Curriculum)	3 Science (see Core Curriculum)	3
	18	18

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
BBST 251	3 BBST 354	3
HIST 290	3 ENGL 313	3
HIST 321	3 HIST 360	3
History Elective (upper-division): United States	3 History Elective (upper-division): World	3
LEDU 425	3 LEDU 330	3
PHIL 215 (fulfills Philosophy Core Curriculum requirement)	3 Graduation Application due in Registrar's Office	
	18	15

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
BBST 300/400 Bible Elective	3 BBST 300/400 Bible Elective	3
BBST 365	3 BBST 465	3
HIST 201	3 HIST 495	3
HIST 403	3 LEDU 433	2
HIST 480 (or HIST 490 & 491) ¹	3 LEDU 438	3
History Elective (upper-division): United States	3 KNES Activity (see Core Curriculum)	1
	LEDU 450 ²	0
	LEDU 452 ²	0
	18	15

Total Credits 133

¹ Students in History Honors Program may substitute HIST 490 and HIST 491 for HIST 480 and a 3-credit HIST Elective (upper-division).

² Students who wish to complete Student Teaching as an undergraduate must meet with an advisor in the School of Education. It is possible to complete LEDU 450/452 prior to graduation if the Foreign Language requirement has already been met and coursework is taken during Summer session (cross-listed as SEED 514 and SEED 515 at the graduate level).

Torrey Hhrs Seq

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First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
HNRS 101	4 HNRS 105	4
HNRS 102	4 HNRS 106	4
GNST 102	1 HIST 101	3
Foreign Language (see Core Curriculum)	4 KNES 107	1
Math (see Core Curriculum)	3 Foreign Language (see Core Curriculum)	4
	16	16

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
HNRS 210	4 HNRS 230	4
HNRS 215	4 HNRS 231	4
HIST 290	3 HIST 201	3
General Elective	4 Science (see Core Curriculum)	3
	15	14

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
HNRS 324	4 HNRS 337	4
HNRS 326	2 HNRS 339	2
HIST 321	3 HIST Concentration (upper-division)	3
HIST Concentration (upper-division)	3 HIST Elective (upper-division)	3
HIST Concentration (upper-division)	3 General Elective	3
	15	15

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
HNRS 443	4 HNRS 458	4
BBST 465	3 HNRS 467	2
HIST 480 (or HIST 490 & 491) ¹	3 HIST 495	3
HIST Concentration (upper-division)	3 HIST Elective (upper-division)	3
KNES Activity (see Core Curriculum)	1 HIST Elective (upper-division)	3
	14	15

Total Credits 120

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History, B.A. Secondary Instruction (HIED)

First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
HNRS 101	4 HNRS 105	4
HNRS 102	4 HNRS 106	4
GNST 102	1 HIST 201	3
HIST 101	3 POSC 225	3
KNES 107	1 Foreign Language (see Core Curriculum)	4
Foreign Language (see Core Curriculum)	4	
	17	18

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
HNRS 210	4 HNRS 230	4
HNRS 215	4 HNRS 231	4
HIST 290	3 LEDU 341	3

LEDU 301	3 POSC 211	3
PSYC 200	3 KNES Activity (see Core Curriculum)	1
	Science (see Core Curriculum)	3
	17	18

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
HNRS 324	4 HNRS 337	4
HNRS 326	2 HNRS 339	2
HIST 321	3 HIST 403	3
HIST 360	3 HIST Elective (upper-division): World	3
HIST Elective (upper-division): United States	3 LEDU 425	3
Math (see Core Curriculum)	3 PHIL 215	3
	18	18

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
HNRS 443	4 HNRS 458	4
BBST 465	3 HNRS 467	2
HIST 480 (or HIST 490 & 491) ¹	3 HIST 495	3
LEDU 330	3 HIST Elective (upper-division): World	3
HIST Elective (upper-division): United States	3 LEDU 433	2
	LEDU 438	3
	16	17

Total Credits 139

Note: Students are encouraged to complete HIST 100 and HIST 200, in order to receive the Single Subject Waiver.

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