

History

Bachelor of Arts Degree

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Admission Requirements

(In years as established by the college)

A high school diploma with the following specific courses:

- 4 English
- 2 Algebra I & II
- 1 Geometry
- 2 Lab Science (including biology)
- 2 History/Social Studies
- 2 Foreign Language (same language or two years of American Sign Language)
- Academic electives (to equal at least 17 credits)

To ensure current mathematical skills, students should take a mathematics course during their senior year of high school.

Did You Know?

The History Department offers a range of courses that is greater than that of any other history department in the state. Its graduate program offers the only doctoral degree in the humanities in the entire State of Maine. Advanced undergraduate students have the opportunity to take some of the seminar offerings of the graduate program.

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Program Description

The History Department offers a wide variety of chronological, geographical and thematic courses that enhance individuals' understanding of themselves and the contemporary world by expanding their knowledge of the experiences of other peoples, both past and present. These courses range from ancient times to the present, cover most geographical regions of the world, and allow topical specialties ranging from environmental history to the history of technology or labor history.

Associated Honor Societies and Student Organizations

Students are encouraged to join the History Club. UMaine also has a chapter of Phi Alpha Theta, the international honor society in history.

Ongoing Research & Awards

The History Department has 14 regular faculty members, five of whom focus on the History of the United States, six on Europe (including the ancient and medieval eras), two on Canada, and one on Asia. The department's Canadian scholars, Professor Scott See and Professor Jacques Ferland, oversee one of the leading graduate programs in Canadian-American history in the United States. Professor Richard Judd is a prominent specialist in environmental history and Professor Ngo-Vinh Long is a world-renowned scholar in Southeast Asian history. The department also boasts specialists in Napoleonic History and 18th- and 19th-century Europe (Professor Alexander Grab), ancient history and jazz (Professor Jay Bregman), modern European history (Professor Richard Blanke), Irish and British history (Professor Janet TeBrake), international history and globalization (Professor Michael Lang), British imperial history and military history (Professor Stephen Miller), science and technology (Professor Howard Segal), U.S. foreign relations and labor history (Professor Elizabeth McKillen), colonial and revolutionary America (Professor Liam Riordan), and 20th-century America (Professor Nathan Godfried).

Career and Graduate Opportunities

History graduates find employment in a wide range of occupations. Traditionally they have gone into teaching and education careers in primary and secondary schools and, with appropriate graduate-level training in history, colleges and universities. More recently, increasing numbers of history graduates are finding their way into private and public nonprofit organizations and agencies, such as museums, archives and libraries, research and service institutions, legislative bodies, and planning agencies. Others find career opportunities in the private sector, including publishing, journalism and broadcasting, and law firms; in fact, history is an ideal pre-law major.

UMaine Graduate Programs

Master of Arts in History
 Doctor of Philosophy in History

Representative Courses

HTY 103	United States History I	HTY 429	History of Modern Italy
HTY 104	United States History II	HTY 432	Modern Intellectual History
HTY 105	History of European Civilization I	HTY 433	Greek and Roman Mythology
HTY 106	History of European Civilization II	HTY 436	History of China II
HTY 107	East Asian Civilization I	HTY 437	History of Modern Japan
HTY 108	South and Southeast Asian Civilization	HTY 442	The United States and Vietnam: A History
HTY 112	Introduction to Africa	HTY 449	History of South Africa
HTY 198	Technology and Society II	HTY 450	History of the British Empire
HTY 199	Problems in History	HTY 452	Topics in Latin American History
HTY 210	History of Maine	HTY 453	History of Ireland I
HTY 211	Maine and the Sea	HTY 454	History of Ireland II
HTY 218	History of Film	HTY 455	History of Great Britain I
HTY 220	North American Indian History	HTY 456	History of Great Britain II
HTY 241	History of Globalization, 1900-Present	HTY 458	History of French Canada and Franco Americans
HTY 278	American Military History	HTY 459	Colonial Canada
HTY 279	European Military History	HTY 460	Modern Canada
HTY 315	Shipwreck Sites: Archaeological and Historical Investigations	HTY 461	Colonial British America to 1763
HTY 332	Womanhood in America	HTY 462	The American Revolution
HTY 338	Everyday Life in America, 1600-1850	HTY 463	The Early Republic, 1789-1840
HTY 398	Historical Issues	HTY 464	America at the Crossroads: The Era of Civil War Reconstruction 1840-1876
HTY 401	History of Greece	HTY 465	American Landscapes, 1600-1850
HTY 402	Roman History	HTY 467	Early 20th-Century America, 1914-1945
HTY 403	Early Middle Ages	HTY 468	America Since 1945
HTY 407	Age of Monarchs and Revolution: Europe, 1648-1815	HTY 473	History of U.S. Foreign Relations I
HTY 408	19th-Century Europe, 1815-1914	HTY 474	History of U.S. Foreign Relations II
HTY 409	20th-Century Europe I, 1914-1945	HTY 477	The American Worker
HTY 410	20th-Century Europe II, Since 1945	HTY 478	America in the Industrial Age, 1876-1914
HTY 411	The Holocaust	HTY 479	U.S. Environmental History
HTY 412	European Imperialism, 1870-1914	HTY 481	Amerindians of the Northeast: A History
HTY 420	Science and Society Since 1800	HTY 484	History of Jazz
HTY 423	History of Russia I	HTY 491	Technology and Society Until 1800
HTY 424	History of Russia II: The Russian Revolution, 1881-1991	HTY 492	Technology and Society Since 1800
HTY 426	History of Modern Germany	HTY 498	Senior Seminar in History
		HTY 499	Contemporary Problems in History

About UMaine

The University of Maine, founded in Orono in 1865, is the state's premier public university. It is among the most comprehensive higher education institutions in the Northeast and attracts students from across the U.S. and more than 60 countries. It currently enrolls 12,000 total undergraduate and graduate students who can directly participate in groundbreaking research working with world-class scholars. Students are offered 88 bachelor's degree programs, 64 master's degree programs, 25 doctoral programs and one of the oldest and most prestigious honors programs in the U.S. The university promotes environmental stewardship on its campus, with substantial efforts aimed at conserving energy, recycling and adhering to green building standards in new construction. For more information about UMaine, go online (umaine.edu). Equal opportunity information also is available online (umaine.edu/eo).

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