

History (BA)

This program is offered by the College of Humanities and Social Sciences/History, Politics and International Relations Department and is only available at the St. Louis main campus.

Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the history major, students will:

- Be familiar with the outlines of the history of the modern world, i.e. since 1500.
- Be familiar in some depth with the history of one geographic area or historical epoch.
- Be able to make historical arguments using concrete illustrations and examples.

Degree Requirements

For information on the general requirements for a degree, see Baccalaureate Degree Requirements under the Academic Policies and Information section of this catalog.

- 36 required credit hours within the History, Politics and International Relations Department
- 27 of the required credit hours must be in history courses
- 3 international language requirement credit hours
- Applicable University Global Citizenship Program hours
- Electives

All courses fulfilling the history major requirements must be completed with a grade of C- or better.

At least 18 credit hours within the major must be completed at Webster University.

International Language Requirement

- A minimum of 3 credit hours in a foreign language is required. Courses used toward the international language requirement may also be used to fulfill global citizenship requirements or a major/minor in a foreign language.
- Transfer students who have completed their 3 credit hours at an institution of higher education are considered to have fulfilled the requirement, as are students who have scored a "3" or higher on an Advanced Placement exam in a non-native language.
- For students whose native language is not English, a passing grade on the TOEFL will count as their foreign language requirement. Students who are from bilingual families but have no evidence of academic study of the second language on a transcript will need to take one course.

Curriculum

The 36 credit hours required for history majors include:

- HIST 1000 The World System since 1500 (3 hours)
- U.S. history (3 hours)
- European history (3 hours)
- History of Asia, Africa or Latin America (3 hours)
- HIST 2600 The Craft of History (3 hours)
- HIST 4000 Research Requirement (0 hours)
(writing of a substantial research paper in accordance with department guidelines and taken in conjunction with a designated upper-level course)
- HIST 4620 Overview (0 hours)
- POLT or INTL electives (6 hours)
- HIST electives (6 hours)
- Upper-level HIST electives (6 hours)
- Upper-level elective in HIST, POLT or INTL (3 hours)