

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

History

The Bachelor of Arts Degree in History will increase your knowledge of history and develop your research, organizational, and written and oral communication skills. It also prepares students for advanced study in areas or careers such as history, law, or other related fields that could lead to careers in history, law, business or other related professions.

Faculty support the development of individual interests, through research and independent projects. They are well-prepared instructors and active scholars, encouraging students to explore history beyond the classroom. Professors have teaching and publication experience in a variety of fields, including United States history, Modern Europe, Latin America, Medieval history, the Middle East, and historic preservation. Many have national or international reputations, teaching awards, and recognitions from the university and broader community. Classes average 20 to 30 students, which allows for individual attention on research projects and experiential activities.

History students will...

- Master the methods of effective historical research and communication.
- Learn to read, critically evaluate and interpret primary and secondary historical sources.
- Understand and formulate historical arguments and interpretation.

Career Planning

Career preparation is part of the mission of Southeast. In fact, more than 90% of Southeast students participate in internships, clinical opportunities, student teaching, research assistantships, and study abroad.

Professional career counselors are available for all students. The Office of Career Services in Academic Hall 057 can provide students with professional career counseling, resume critiques, practice interviews, job search strategies, career events, networking opportunities, and more.

Demonstrated Career Proficiency is a Requirement of all Southeast Students		
CL001/CL002	First Semester	Complete the FOCUS2 assessment and develop a Career Action Plan.
CL003	Junior Year	Students gain information about career planning and job searching resources.
CL004	Senior Year	Students demonstrate advanced proficiency by identifying a position in their field, developing a cover letter, and tailoring a resume for the position. Materials are critiqued to ensure preparedness for a successful job search.

Career Fields for Program Graduates

- Government
- Politics
- Law
- Non-Profit Organizations
- Museums
- Historic Sites
- Journalism
- Education
- Business

Graduate Schools of Recent Graduates

- Master's Program – University of Mississippi
- Master's Program – University of Missouri
- Master's Program – University of Delaware
- Master's Programs – University of Pennsylvania
- Ph.D. Program – University of Massachusetts
- Ph.D. Program – University of Mississippi
- Ph.D. Program – University of Missouri

Student Organizations Associated with History

History majors have many opportunities outside the classroom. The History Club and the Historic Preservation Club are open to all students who want to share their common love for the past.

The Alpha Epsilon chapter of Phi Alpha Theta, an international honor society in history, is one of the oldest in the nation.

The Epsilon chapter of Sigma Pi Kappa, the Historic Preservation honorary society, is the first undergraduate chapter in the country.

The Social Studies Educators' Association prepares students for teaching and other opportunities in education.

These organizations sponsor a variety of events including guest speakers, field trips to historic sites, professional events and academic conferences.

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This is a guide based on the 2015-2016 Undergraduate Bulletin and is subject to change. The time it takes to earn a degree will vary based on several factors such as dual enrollment, remediation, and summer enrollment. Students will meet with an academic advisor each semester and use DegreeWorks to monitor their individual progress.

CURRICULUM CHECKLIST

History Major – 39 Hours – Minor Required

Required Courses:

- ___ GH007 BA Portfolio Review (0)
- ___ GH315 Historiography (3)
- ___ GH415 Senior Seminar in History (3)

Choose 15 Senior (300-500) Level Hours From:

- ___ EH300-500 (6)
- ___ US300-500 (6)
- ___ WH300-500 (3)

Choose 6 Senior Level (300-500) Hours From:

- ___ EH, GH, US OR WH prefix courses (6)

Choose an additional 12 Hours of EH, GH, HP, US, WH

- ___ WH, HP100, HP200 or departmentally approved UI courses
(Only 3 hours UI courses can be counted on the major.)

Additional Requirement:

- ___ 6 Hours in ONE foreign language

In addition, choose one of the following options:

- 6 Hours in the same or a different foreign language
OR

6 Hours of the following:

- ___ Any MA prefixed course at or above MA 123 (3)
- ___ PL120 Symbolic Logic (3)
- ___ PY271 Research Design & Analysis I (3)
- ___ QM257 Business Statistics I (3)
- ___ SO/SW242 Stats for Social Scientists (3)

University Studies Requirements (not already listed above):

UI100 First Year Seminar, EN100 English Composition, Artistic Expression, Written Expression, Literary Expression, Behavioral Systems, Living Systems, Logical Systems, Physical Systems, Development of a Major Civilization, Political Systems, Economic Systems, Social Systems, two IU/UI3XXs, and one UI4xx/UI5XX

SAMPLE FOUR-YEAR PLAN

	Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
	Course #	Hrs	Course #	Hrs
FIRST YEAR	UI100	3	Economic Systems	3
	EN100	3	Logical Systems	3
	Behavioral Systems	3	Social Systems	3
	Dev. of Major Civ.	3	Written Expression	3
	Political Systems	3	Minor or Elective	3
Total	15	Total	15	
SECOND YEAR	GH315	3	History 1xx-5xx	3
	History 1xx-5xx	3	Foreign Language	3
	History 1xx-5xx	3	Minor	3
	Foreign Language	3	Artistic Expression	3
	Physical Systems	3	Living Systems	3
Total	15	Total	15	
THIRD YEAR	History 3xx-5xx	3	History 3xx-5xx	3
	History 1xx-5xx	3	History 3xx-5xx	3
	Additional Requirement	3	IU/UI3XX	3
	Literary Expression	3	Minor	3
	Minor	3	Additional Requirement	3
Total	15	Total	15	
FOURTH YEAR	GH415	3	GH007	0
	History 3xx-5xx	3	History 3xx-5xx	3
	History 3xx-5xx	3	History 3xx-5xx	3
	IU/UI3XX	3	UI4XX/UI5XX	3
	Minor	3	Minor	3
			Elective	3
Total	15	Total	15	

Degree requirements for all students: a minimum of 120 credit hours, completion of University Studies program, career proficiencies (CL001-004), Writing Proficiency Exam (WP003), and completion of the Measure of Academic Proficiency and Progress (MAPP) at the senior level.

A minimum 2.0 GPA in the major and overall are required to graduate with a BA degree in history.

Refer to the Undergraduate Bulletin or DegreeWorks for additional graduation requirements (i.e. minimum GPA and coursework) for your program of study.