

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES (CLAS) ACADEMIC ADVISING CENTER
2025-2026 (PROPOSED)

HISTORY-BA OR BS

THIS IS A **GENERAL** CURRICULUM GUIDE AND IS NOT APPLICABLE TO EVERY STUDENT. IT IS IMPORTANT TO MEET WITH YOUR ADVISOR.

| Year 1 – (Fall and Winter Semesters) | |
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| WRT 150 or WRT 120 & WRT 130 (Gen Ed: Writing) | 4 or 6 |
| HST 200 – Introduction to the Study of History | 3 |
| HST 200-level course (see page 3 for survey course options) | 3 |
| HST 200-level course | 3 |
| General Education: Philosophy and Literature | 3 |
| General Education: Life Science with or without lab | 3 or 4 |
| General Education: Social and Behavioral Sciences 1 | 3 |
| If <u>BA</u> , Language 101 and Language 102 | 4, 4 |
| If <u>BS</u> , MTH 110 | 4 |
| General Electives to Reach 30 Credits (Consider Double Major, Minor, Badge, or Certificate) | |
| Total: | 30 |
| Year 2 – (Fall and Winter Semesters) | |
| HST 290 - The Historian's Craft | 3 |
| HST 300-level (see page 3 for content course options) | 3 |
| HST 300-level | 3 |
| HST 300-level | 3 |
| General Education: Physical Science with or without lab | 3 or 4 |
| If <u>BA</u> , Language 201 | 4 |
| If <u>BA</u> , General Education: Mathematical Sciences | 3 |
| If <u>BS</u> , STA 215 | 3, 3 |
| General Electives to Reach 30 Credits (Consider Double Major, Minor, Badge, or Certificate) | |
| Total: | 30 |
| Year 3 – (Fall and Winter Semesters) | |
| HST 400 – Junior Seminar in History | 3 |
| HST 300-level (see page 3 for content course options) | 3 |
| HST 300-level | 3 |
| General Education: Arts | 3 |
| General Education: Social and Behavioral Sciences 2 | 3 |
| General Education: Issues 1 | 3 |
| General Electives to Reach 30 Credits (Consider Double Major, Minor, Badge, or Certificate) | |
| Total: | 30 |
| Year 4 – (Fall and Winter Semesters) | |
| HST 3xx/4xx-EXP Designated Course. | 3 |
| HST 495 – Varieties of History (prerequisites HST 400 and senior standing) | 3 |
| HST 300-level | 3 |
| General Education: Issues 2 | 3 |
| General Electives to Reach 30 Credits (Consider Double Major, Minor, Badge, or Certificate) | |
| Total: | 30 |

| History Major (36 credits) | |
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| Survey Content Courses (6 credits) | Core Content Courses (12 credits) |
| only one may be at the 100-level. See reverse for survey course options. — HST 2__ (3) — HST 2__ (3) | See reverse for content course options. — HST 200 Introduction to the Study of History (3) (Grade of C or better required) — HST 290 The Historian's Craft: What Historians Know and How They Know It (3) Prerequisite: Gen.Ed. Mathematical Sciences — HST 400 Junior Seminar in History (3) SWS Prerequisites: HST 200 — HST 495 Varieties of History: Senior Capstone (3) (Grade of C or better required) Prerequisites: HST 290 |
| Focused Content Courses (18 credits) | |
| See reverse for content course options. At least one EXP designated course. — U.S. History HST 3__ (3) — European History HST 3__ (3) — Non-Western History HST 3__ (3) — Elective/Experiential HST 3/4__ (3) — Elective HST 3/4__ (3) — Elective HST 3/4__ (3) | |
| Degree: choose one (B.A. or B.S.) | |
| Bachelor of Arts | Bachelor of Science |
| Third semester proficiency (201 level) is required for the B.A. degree. This may be fulfilled through language placement (http://www.gvsu.edu/ml/language-placement-the-opi-108.htm) or by completing the courses listed below — Language 101* (4) — Language 102* (4) (*150 is a hybrid of 101 & 102 and is recommended for students with previous language background; students may move into Language 201 after completing Language 150) — Language 201 (4) | — STA 215 Introductory Applied Statistics (3) Prerequisite: MTH 110 or equivalent — HST 290 The Historian's Craft: What Historians Know and How They Know It (3) Prerequisite: Gen.Ed. Mathematical Sciences — HST 400 Junior Seminar in History (3) Prerequisites: HST 200 |

- ❖ Students must complete a total of two courses with an SWS attribute
- ❖ Students should complete an average of 30 credits per year to earn the required 120 credits to graduate within a 4-year time span
- ❖ The block tuition rate is for 12-15 credits. You will pay additional tuition for any credits over 15
- ❖ Students who self-place into WRT120 should take this course in the fall semester and then take WRT 130 in the winter semester of the first year. Students who self-place into WRT 150 should take this course in the fall semester of the first year. A grade of C or higher is required to fulfill these requirements.

Guide for Declaring the History Major

1. Log into myBanner from the GVSU homepage
2. Once logged in select "Student", "Student Records", and then, "Change Major"
3. Click on the "Change Major 1/Program" box
4. Click on the down arrow in the box next to "New Major 1/Program," from here scroll down and choose "History-BA" **OR** "History-BS"
5. Click "Submit" and then "Change to New Program"

General Education Overlap

| General Education Categories fulfilled by the History major: | |
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| Historical Analysis: Possibility of selecting HST 203, HST 204, HST 205, HST 206, HST 207, HST 208, HST 211, HST 230, HST 240, HSC 201, HSC 202 | U.S. Diversity: Possibility of selecting HST 205, HST 206, HST 314 |
| Mathematical Sciences: STA 215 if selecting B.S. degree | Global Perspectives: Possibility of selecting HST 204, HST 307, HST 208, HST 211, HST 212, HST 230, HST 235, HST 240, HST 241, or HST 310, HSC 201, HSC 202, |
| Issues: HST 311, HST 318, HST 319, HST 322, HST 331, HST 332, HST 342, HST 357, HST 370, HST 371, HST 372, HST 376, HST 378 | |

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| History Content Courses | | |
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| U.S. History | Non-Western History | European History |
| HST 301 Colonial America HST 302 Revolutionary America HST 303 Era of Sectional Conflict, Civil War & Reconstruction HST 305 America Confronts Modernity HST 306 The 'American Century': From the Great Depression to Vietnam HST 307 United States since 1970 HST 308 Social and Cultural Topics in U.S. History HST 311 History of Religion in the United States HST 312 History of American Women HST 314 African American History HST 315 Latinos: The Forging of Ethnic Identities HST 316 U.S. Civil Rights Movement in History HST 317 History of American Foreign Relations HST 318 History of Democracy in America HST 320 American Indians HST 323 Michigan History HST 327 History of United States Urban Society HST 328 Constitutional History of the U.S. HST 329 Intellectual History of the U.S. HST 370 History of Medicine and Health HST 378 Contesting Human Rights | HST 310 Cultural and Social Topics in Non-Western History HST 330 Colonial Latin America HST 331 Modern Latin America HST 332 Emergence of Modern India and South Asia HST 333 Modern China HST 334 Making of the Caribbean HST 335 Africa Before 1870 HST 336 Africa After 1870 HST 337 The Age of Islamic Empire HST 338 Modern Middle East HST 339 Modern Iran HST 342 History of Buddhism and East Asian Religions HST 343 History of South Africa HST 372 From Slavery to Freedom HST 374 Revolution in the Americas HST 375 History of Mexico HST 389 Russian History | HST 309 Cultural and Social Topics in European History HST 350 Ancient Greece HST 351 Ancient Rome HST 355 Medieval Europe HST 360 Tudor and Stuart England HST 361 Modern Britain HST 364 Renaissance and Reformation Europe HST 370 History of Medicine and Health HST 377 History of Warfare HST 378 Contesting Human Rights HST 386 20 th Century Europe HST 387 Modern Germany HST 390 Soviet History |

Depending on the topic studied, the following courses may be used for any of the three categories (consult with your faculty advisor)

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| HST 325: Topics in the History of Sport HST 371: Historical Perspectives on Gender and Sexualities HST 376: History of Witch Hunts HST 378 Contesting Human Rights HST 380 Special Topics in History HST 399 Independent Study | HST 420 Public History HST 490: History Internship HSC 399 Readings in History of Science |
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| Survey Content Courses | | |
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| HST 101 Intro to World Civilizations HST 102 Intro to European Civilizations HST 103 Intro to American Civilizations HST 203 World History to 1500 A.D. HST 204 World History since 1500 HST 205 American History to 1877 | HST 206 American History since 1877 HST 207 European Civ. to the Later Middle Ages HST 208 European Civ. since Later Middle Ages HST 211 History of Islamic Civilization HST 212 India: History and Civilization | HST 230 Latin American in World History HST 240 A History of East Asia to 1800 HST 241 A History of East Asia since 1800 HSC 201 The Scientific Revolution HSC 202 The Technological Revolution |

| EXP Designated Courses | |
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| HST 399 – Independent Study HST 405 – Local and Community History HST 410 – History Journal HST 415 – Museum Studies HST 420 – Public History | HST 490 – History Internship HST 498 – Senior Thesis Study Abroad Experience Independent Research experience (S3, McNair, Honors, or some other research program) Other Courses as designated by the department |

Public History Undergraduate Badge <https://www.gvsu.edu/acad/public-history-undergraduate-badge.htm>

The digital badge is comprised of three (three credit) courses, a total of nine credits:

HST 405 – Local Community History - HST 415 – Museum Studies - HST 420 – Introduction to Public History

| Minors and Badges to consider that pair well with the History Major: | |
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| Minors – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Modern Languages ○ Classics ○ Political Science ○ Economics ○ Business ○ History of Science | Badges – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Civic Engagement ○ Public History ○ Certificate in Health & Medical Humanities |

For more information on the History Major and potential careers, visit: <https://www.gvsu.edu/history/career-resources-34.htm>

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