

HISTORY (HSTY)

HSTY 3335. Europe & the World 1618-1789. 3 Hours.

Students examine major developments in Europe and in its relations with the world between 1618 and 1789. Topics may include the rise of absolutism and constitutionalism, development of Baroque and Rococo art, global impact of mercantilist and capitalist systems, changes produced by scientific discovery and Enlightenment thought, and effects of tensions within a society of orders.

HSTY 3336. Nineteenth Century Europe. 3 Hours.

Students examine the history of principal European powers during the long nineteenth century. Topics may include the legacies of the French Revolution and Napoleonic era, the impact of the Congress of Vienna, early political ideologies, Romanticism, the First Industrial Revolution, the Revolutions of 1830 and 1848, urbanization, nationalism, mass politics, Realism, New Imperialism, and the origins of World War I.

HSTY 3344. Russian and Soviet Empires. 3 Hours.

Students track the complex development of the Russian Empire, its Soviet successor, and the Russian Federation. Topics may include imperialism, ideology, culture, economy, society, war, nationalism, gender, and decolonization.

HSTY 3345. History of Medicine. 3 Hours.

Students trace the history of western medicine from antiquity to the present. Topics may include humoral medicine, bacteriology, gender and race in medicine, public health, pandemics, medical ethics, and vaccines.

HSTY 3346. Medical Violence. 3 Hours.

Students probe the violent aspects of the history of medicine in this class. Medicine has historically demonstrated a great capacity to ease human suffering, but it has also perpetrated prodigious harms. Students analyze the historical contexts that gave rise to violent medical practices and how definitions of violence in medicine have changed over time. Topic may include biological weapons, human experimentation, eugenics, and colonial health policy.

HSTY 3354. Slavery & Freedom in Americas. 3 Hours.

Students examine slavery and other forms of unfree labor throughout the Americas and the Atlantic world from the fifteenth to the nineteenth centuries. Topics may include the transatlantic slave trade and Middle Passage; Native American enslavement; enslaved resistance and revolt; economics of slavery; abolitionist movements; the Haitian Revolution; and comparative processes emancipation.

HSTY 3360. Native America to 1840. 3 Hours.

Students examine Native American history from the peopling of the continent to the mid-nineteenth century. Students analyze Indigenous societies before 1500, investigate indigenous people's reactions to European colonization, and Native nations' perseverance as the U.S. grew.

HSTY 3361. Native America sn 1840. 3 Hours.

Students examine Native American history from the mid-nineteenth century to the present. Students analyze Native responses to nineteenth century U.S. military campaigns, allotment, and assimilation policies. Students then explore the struggles of twentieth century Native Americans to preserve Native culture, land, and sovereignty.

HSTY 3367. Incorporating America. 3 Hours.

Students examine United States history from 1877 to 1933. Topics may include the industrial revolution, Gilded Age, American expansion and imperialism, populist and progressive movements, World War I, Jazz Age, and the Great Depression.

HSTY 3368. The American Century. 3 Hours.

Students examine United States history from the New Deal to the rise of conservatism. Topics may include the New Deal, World War II, Cold War, civil rights movements, environmentalism, Vietnam War, immigration, and the role of federal government in American life.

HSTY 3369. Boomers to Zoomers. 3 Hours.

Students explore the history of the United States from the age of Ronald Reagan to the present, with an emphasis on the people and ideas that shaped this period and the experiences of various generations of young people who lived during it. Topics may include the decline of industry and the rise of finance, immigration and demographic diversity, technology, media and art, political realignment and division, the Cold War and the Global War on Terror, wars on crime and drugs, and social and political activism on issues ranging from LGBTQ+ rights to gun rights.

HSTY 3370. African American Hist to 1865. 3 Hours.

Students examine the formation and expansion of African American identity, slavery and freedom before Emancipation in British North America and the United States. Topics may include West and West Central Africa civilizations on the eve of the transatlantic slave trade, the Middle Passage, the Second Middle Passage, Free Black society and culture, abolitionism, resistance, community agency in slavery, Emancipation and Reconstruction, and the systemic impact of slavery on the enslaved and their descendants.

HSTY 3371. African America Hist sn 1865. 3 Hours.

Students examine the African American experience in the United States form 1865 to the present. Topics may include the various forces shaping race relations in the United States since 1865.

HSTY 3376. Mexican American Hist to 1848. 3 Hours.

Students examine the history of Mexican Americans throughout the United States prior to the US-Mexico War. Topics may include: empire, borderlands, the rise and fall of native and African slavery, early global economies, mission secularization, and Texas independence.

HSTY 3379. U.S. Women to 1900. 3 Hours.

Students examine U.S. women's history up to 1900. Topics may include work, marriage, family, sexuality, reproduction, education, and the social forces that have aided or blocked change in women's roles in American society. Particular attention is paid to differences in race, class, and ethnicity.

HSTY 3380. U.S. Women since 1900. 3 Hours.

Students examine U.S. women's history since 1900. Topics may include work, marriage, family, sexuality, reproduction, education, and the social forces that have aided or blocked change in women's roles in American society. Particular attention is paid to differences in race, class, and ethnicity.

HSTY 3381. U.S. South to 1865. 3 Hours.

Students examine the colonial roots of the U.S. South and its emergence during the early U.S. Republic. Topics may include the various peoples and subregions, politics, economic development, culture, society, and religion to the U.S. South in the period prior to 1865.

HSTY 3382. U.S. South sn 1865. 3 Hours.

Students examine the development of the Southern United States from the end of slavery to the present. Topics may include the various peoples and subregions, politics, economic development, culture, society, and religion unite to the U.S. South following the U.S. Civil War.

HSTY 3384. Texas History. 3 Hours.

Students examine the history of Texas from precontact era to the present. Topics may include the Native societies of Texas, Spanish exploration and colonization, Mexican independence, the Texas Revolution and the Republic of Texas, the Civil War and Reconstruction in Texas, slavery, immigration, oil and industrialization, political movements and leaders, and the Black and Mexican American civil rights movements.

HSTY 3385. Borderlands History. 3 Hours.

Students examine the history of borderlands, border-making, and border-crossing. Topics may include: legal regimes, labor, migration, human rights, sovereignty, nationalism, borderland typologies, comparative borderlands, territorial conflict, and the opening and closing of borders.

HSTY 3386. Rise of Convservatism. 3 Hours.

Students explore the history of American conservatism from the New Deal onward. Topics may include intellectual roots and traditions, conservative legal and constitutional theory, the demographics, geography, and strategy of conservative politics, conservative media, conservative religion and culture, the conservative relationship to other major political and social movements such as the Black freedom and women's rights movements, and conservative political leaders from the early 20th century to the present.

HSTY 3393. Environmental History. 3 Hours.

Students examine topic in environmental history including agricultural systems and foodways; the impact of weather and climate on human societies; diseases and natural medicines; the relationship between human societies and non-human animals; capitalism and the environment; and the emergence of conservationist and environmentalist movements.

HSTY 3394. History of Capitalism. 3 Hours.

Students examine economic, social, political, and cultural transformations associated with the emergence of capitalism from the early modern period to the present. Topics may include merchant communities and commercial network; the Industrial Revolution; slavery and capitalism; commodities and consumption; finance banking; labor and labor movements; poverty and inequality; and economic crises including the Great Depression.

HSTY 3395. Working Class History. 3 Hours.

Students explore the history of work and workers. Topics may include the free and unfree labor, the relationship between workers and capital, worker organizations such as guilds and labor unions, the legal and political institutions that shape labor, and the impact of technology, including artificial intelligence, on work.

HSTY 3398. History of Popular Culture. 3 Hours.

Students examine the creation and expansion of popular culture from the mid-19th century to the present. Topics may include the development of mass culture and the ways popular cultural forms such as music, film, television, comics, novels, fashion, and sports reflected, shaped, and promoted American values at home and abroad.