



Four-Year Degree Plan: Bachelor of Arts in History

Catalog Year: 2023-2024

**COLLEGE OF
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SCIENCES**

This is a degree plan for completing a Bachelor of Arts in History in eight semesters. This document is meant to be used as a guide for planning purposes only and is intended for use in consultation with a Professional Academic or Faculty advisor. **Students are responsible for consulting advisors and the [MSU Denver catalog](#) for degree requirements.**

| Year One | | | | | |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------|
| Semester 1 | | | Semester 2 | | |
| Fall | | Credits | Spring | | Credits |
| WC GS 1 | Written Communication GS | 3 | WC GS 2 | Written Communication GS | 3 |
| OC GS | Oral Communication GS | 3 | HIS 1XXX | Any 1000-Level HIS Course | 3 |
| HIS GS | Any 1000-Level HIS Course | 3 | HIS 1XXX | Any 1000-Level HIS Course | 3 |
| NPS GS 1 | Natural and Physical Sciences GS | 3 | AH GS 1 | Arts and Humanities GS | 3 |
| MTH 1XXX | Quantitative Literacy GS | 3 | NPS GS 2 | Natural and Physical Sciences GS | 3 |
| Semester 1 Total | | 15 | Semester 2 Total | | 15 |

| Year Two | | | | | |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------|
| Semester 3 | | | Semester 4 | | |
| Fall | | Credits | Spring | | Credits |
| HIS 1XXX | Any 1000-Level HIS Course | 3 | HIS 1-3XXX | HIS Elective | 3 |
| HIS 3XXX | Amer. HIS Elect. (HIS 3400-3699) | 3 | HIS 1-3XXX | HIS Elective | 3 |
| AH GS 2 | Arts and Humanities GS | 3 | SBS GS 2 | Social and Behavioral Science GS | 3 |
| SBS GS 1 | Social and Behavioral Science GS | 3 | -- | Minor or elective requirements | 3 |
| -- | Minor or elective requirements | 3 | -- | Minor or elective requirements | 3 |
| Semester 3 Total | | 15 | Semester 4 Total | | 15 |

| Year Three | | | | | |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------|
| Semester 5 | | | Semester 6 | | |
| Fall | | Credits | Spring | | Credits |
| HIS 1-3XXX | HIS Elective | 3 | HIS 3XXX | Europ HIS Elect. (HIS 3100-3399) | 3 |
| HIS 3XXX | Amer HIS Elect. (HIS 3400-3699) | 3 | HIS 3000 | Historical Thinking and Writing | 3 |
| -- | Minor or elective requirements | 9 | -- | Minor or elective requirements | 9 |
| Semester 5 Total | | 15 | Semester 6 Total | | 15 |

| Year Four | | | | | |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------|
| Semester 7 | | | Semester 8 | | |
| Fall | | Credits | Spring | | Credits |
| HIS 3XXX | World HIS Elect. (HIS 3700-3799) | 3 | HIS 3-4XXX | HIS Upper Division Elective | 3 |
| HIS 3-4XXX | HIS Upper Division Elective | 3 | HIS 4820 | Senior Seminar | 3 |
| -- | Minor or elective requirements | 9 | -- | Minor or elective requirements | 9 |
| Semester 7 Total | | 15 | Semester 8 Total | | 15 |

Program Total: 120

*Note 1 - History majors cannot use an HIS course to fulfill HIS GS or GD requirements. Instead, they must fill the HIS GS requirement by taking an additional AH, SBS or NPS GS course. This rule only applies to students with catalog years prior to 2022.
 **Note 2 - Visit the MSU Denver Catalog for current catalog year General Studies Requirements.

Advisor Contact Information: Visit [CLAS Academic Advising](#)

Detailed Course Listing

| General Studies | | |
|------------------------------|--|-----------|
| ENG 1010 | Composing Arguments | 3 |
| ENG 1020 | Research and Argument Writing | 3 |
| OC GS | Oral Communications | 3 |
| QL GS | Qualitative Literacy | 3 |
| AH GS | Arts and Humanities | 6 |
| NPS GS | Natural and Physical Sciences | 6 |
| SBS GS | Social and Behavioral Sciences | 6 |
| HIS GS | History (**See Note 1) | 3 |
| GD GS | Global Diversity (** See Note 2) | |
| ESSJ | Ethnic Studies & Social Justice Requirement (**See Note 2) | |
| General Studies Total | | 33 |

| Specific Degree Requirements | | |
|---|--|-----------|
| HIS 1040 | World History since 1500 | 3 |
| HIS 1210 | American History to 1865 | 3 |
| HIS 1220 | American History since 1865 | 3 |
| HIS 1XXX | Global His: HIS 1030, 1035, 1250, 1270, 1300 or 1940 | 3 |
| HIS 1-3XXX | History Elective | 9 |
| HIS 3XXX | Amer HIS UD Elect. (3400-3699) | 3 |
| HIS 3XXX | Europ HIS UD Elect. (3100-3399) | 3 |
| HIS 3XXX | World HIS UD Elect. (3700-3799) | 3 |
| HIS 3-4XXX | Upper Division History Elective | 9 |
| HIS 4820 | Senior Seminar | 3 |
| Specific Degree Requirements Total | | 42 |

Program Totals

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|------------------------------|------------|
| General Studies Requirements | 33 |
| Major Courses | 42 |
| Unrestricted Electives | 24 |
| Minor | 21 |
| Total to Graduate | 120 |