

History, M.A.

Requirements

The Master of Arts program in history requires a minimum of 30 s.h. of graduate credit, including at least 24 s.h. in history coursework numbered 3000 or above. Students must maintain a cumulative UI g.p.a. of at least 3.33. The M.A. is offered with two options: one that stresses breadth of learning through coursework; and with approval of a faculty advisor, one that emphasizes the development of research capabilities culminating in a research essay designed to prepare students for doctoral studies.

Students are required to take HIST:6002 Introduction to Graduate Studies in History: Historiography and Methods during their first semester in the program. They must take 12 s.h. of coursework (one course numbered 6000 or above) in one major division of history; and 6 s.h. each in two other divisions (with at least one course numbered 6000 or above in one of the two divisions), either in history or a related field. Students work with their primary faculty advisor to determine appropriate coursework.

Students must take a written and oral examination based on the coursework in the major field after they complete these requirements (or in the semester in which completion is expected). The exam is administered by the advisor and two other faculty members.