

Welcome to the *History Department*

New Student Advising

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Course withdrawals - Concordia University

Students who wish to **withdraw** from a **course** or **courses** must do so online. You can also find this link in My CU Account. When you **drop** a **course** online, ...

Drop a class online

... and then if you still can't find the answer, email us! History.advisor@concordia.ca



History Programs and Degree Requirements

- History Major (42 credits)
- History Specialization (60 credits)
- History Honours (60 credits)
 - Thesis Option / Seminar Option / Public History with Internship Option
- History Minor (24 credits)

NB: each one-term course is 3 credits! So 42 cr = 14 courses;
60 cr = 20 courses, etc.

Note difference between program credit requirements (42 to 60 credits) and degree requirements (90-120 credits)

- Credits beyond your program can be
 - Another program: another Major or a Minor
 - Electives: your free choice as long as you fulfill the 24-credit and General Education requirements ([google "Concordia History general education"](#))

History Major

42 credits in total, with a straightforward structure

- 18 credits at the 200-level (incl. HIST 200)
- 24 credits at the 300- or 400-level
 - NB: most students take these courses all at the 300-level
 - Entry to 400-level courses is restricted to those with high GPAs and is by special permission



Department of History

Major in History (42 credits)

This program will apply to all students entering the History Major program from Fall 2022 forwards. For students admitted to the History Major before Fall 2022, see the document “Major in History (42 credits), 2015-2022.”

The History Major requires 42 credits at introductory, intermediate, and advanced levels, exploring different fields of history through breadth requirements. The credits for the Major are distributed in this way:

3 Credits	HIST 200 Introduction to History HIST 200 is a First Year Seminar on a focused topic (a “deep dive” into a historical subject) that introduces students to how historians make arguments, how they use historical evidence and other scholars’ writing, and how they communicate their ideas. There are several sections of HIST 200 offered in the Fall and Winter terms, each with a different topic.
15 Credits	HIST courses at the 200 level
18 Credits	HIST courses at the 300 level
6 Credits	HIST courses at the 300 <i>or</i> 400 level

24-Credit and General Education rules

In addition to your History credits, you must take at least **24** elective credits, including **6** General Education credits (courses outside the Humanities sector – e.g. in Social Science or in Science). See <https://www.concordia.ca/artsci/history/programs/undergraduate/requirements.html> for details.

History Specialization

60 History credits total: For students who want a broader knowledge of history

- 24 credits at the 200-level (incl. HIST 200)
- 36 credits at the 300- or 400-level



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Specialization in History (60 credits)

This program will apply to all students entering the History Specialization program from Fall 2022 forward. For the previous program, see the document “Specialization in History, 2015-2022.”

The Specialization in History requires 60 credits at introductory, intermediate, and advanced levels, exploring different fields of history through breadth requirements. The credits for the Specialization are distributed in this way:

3 Credits	HIST 200 Introduction to History HIST 200 is a First Year Seminar on a focused topic (a “deep dive” into a historical subject) that introduces students to how historians make arguments, how they use historical evidence and other scholars’ writing, and how they communicate their ideas. There are several sections of HIST 200 offered in the Fall and Winter terms, each with a different topic.
21 Credits	HIST courses at the 200 level
30 Credits	HIST courses at the 300 level
6 Credits	HIST courses at the 300 <i>or</i> 400 level

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Honours

60 History credits total: for students who want a deeper knowledge of history

Similar to the Major but with an extra 18 credits of 400-level (advanced) courses

- Essay Option
- Seminar Option
- Public History with Internship Option: [google "public history concordia"](https://www.google.com/search?q=public+history+concordia)

You may apply for Honours after 24 credits, with a 3.3 GPA: contact the Honours Advisor (hsthons.advisor@concordia.ca).



Department of History

Honours in History, Essay Option (60 credits)

This program will apply to all students entering the History Honours program from Fall 2022 forward (though students who had previously been in a History Major may elect to follow the previous program). For the previous program, see the document "Honours in History, Essay Option (60 credits), 2015-2022."

The Honours in History, Essay Option, requires 60 credits at introductory, intermediate, and advanced levels, exploring different fields of history through breadth requirements.

The credits for the Honours, Essay Option, are distributed in this way:

3 Credits	HIST 200 Introduction to History HIST 200 is a First Year Seminar on a focused topic (a "deep dive" into a historical subject) that introduces students to how historians make arguments, how they use historical evidence and other scholars' writing, and how they communicate their ideas. There are several sections of HIST 200 offered in the Fall and Winter terms, each with a different topic.
15 Credits	HIST courses at the 200 level
15 Credits	HIST courses at the 300 level
3 Credits	HIST 304 Tutorial Preparation for the Honours Essay
3 Credits	HIST 402 The Philosophy and Practice of History
3 credits	HIST 403 Honours Essay Tutorial
12 Credits	400-level History Seminar courses

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History Breadth Requirements

As you complete your History credits, you must take at least 3 credits, at any level, in each of the following four groups. Those courses serve a dual purpose in fulfilling both the breadth requirement and the 200-, 300-, and 400-level requirements for your program.

Take at least one course from each column

1. **Global/Thematic/Public History**
2. **History of Asia/Africa**
3. **History of Europe**
4. **History of the Americas**

Global/Thematic/Public History	History of Asia/Africa	History of Europe	History of the Americas
HIST 274 The Atlantic World	HIST 242 History of the Middle East	HIST 202 Modern Europe	HIST 203 History of Canada, Pre-Confederation
HIST 281 Film in History	HIST 261 History of South Asia	HIST 206 Medieval Europe	HIST 205 History of Canada, Post-Confederation
HIST 283 The 20th Century: A Global History	HIST 262 History of China	HIST 207 Early Modern Europe	HIST 209 Quebec to 1867
HIST 285 Introduction to Law and Society	HIST 263 History of Japan	HIST 208 Introduction to the History of the Balkans	HIST 210 Quebec since Confederation
HIST 306 History and the Public	HIST 264 History of Africa	HIST 211 History of Ireland	HIST 251 History of the United States to the Civil War Era
HIST 308 Cultures in Contact: A History of Migration	HIST 345 Postwar Japanese History	HIST 328 The Scientific Revolution	HIST 253 History of the United States since the Civil War Era
HIST 328 The Scientific Revolution	HIST 347 Gender and Sexuality in South Asia	HIST 340 Early Modern Britain and Ireland	HIST 276 History of Latin America: The Colonial Period
HIST 329 Music in History	HIST 348 History of Violence: Middle East 1798 – Present	HIST 342 Crime and Punishment in Medieval Europe	HIST 277 History of Latin America: The Modern Period
HIST 332 United States, Cuban and Mexican Relations	HIST 363 Africa in the 20th Century	HIST 344 Rise and Fall of Yugoslavia	HIST 302 The Invasion of America: European Colonization and Indigenous Resistance before 1800
HIST 338 History and the Graphic Novel	HIST 364 Modern South Asia	HIST 350 Medieval England	HIST 303 Native North American History since 1800
HIST 346 Sexuality in History	HIST 366 Early Modern China	HIST 351 England in the Reign of Henry VIII	HIST 307 History of Montreal
HIST 359 The History and Sociology of Genocide to 1945	HIST 367 Modern China	HIST 371 History of the Russian Revolutionary Movement, 1825-1922	HIST 309 Law and Society in Canadian History
HIST 360 The History and Sociology of Genocide from 1945 to the Present	HIST 368 African Popular Culture	HIST 377 History of Russia, 1694-1917	HIST 313 Quebec in the 19th Century
HIST 365 Human Rights and Genocide Prevention in History	HIST 369 Middle East: Empire, Gender, and Sexuality in Modern Times	HIST 378 History of the Soviet Union	HIST 314 Quebec in the 20th Century
HIST 379 History through Visual Media and Material Culture	HIST 370 Japanese Popular Culture	HIST 382 Age of Enlightenment	HIST 315 Rights and Freedoms in Canadian Society
HIST 380 History and Digital Media	HIST 373 The Pacific War	HIST 383 Age of Revolution	HIST 318 Modernist New York
HIST 381 The Politics of the Past	HIST 374 Egypt and the World Since 1798	HIST 385 Age of Dictators: Europe, 1914-1945	HIST 321 American Culture Since 1945
HIST 387 Selected Topics in Public History	HIST 462 Advanced Study in Asian History	HIST 386 Contemporary Europe: 1945 to the Present	HIST 324 United States, 1877-1924
HIST 388 Oral History and Creative Practice	HIST 467 Advanced Study in Middle Eastern History	HIST 392 France 1871 to the Present	HIST 333 History of Haiti: From Contact to Independence
HIST 389 Ethnography: Doing Micro-History of the Present	HIST 471 Advanced Study in African History	HIST 437 Advanced Study in European History	HIST 334 History of Haiti: From Independence to Present
HIST 390 Urban History Laboratory			HIST 336 Deviancy and Orthodoxy in the History of Mexico
HIST 393 Coffee in History			HIST 339 Crime and Punishment in Canadian History
HIST 394 Food in History			HIST 353 Colonial America and the Atlantic World
HIST 395 Environmental History			HIST 354 Revolutionary America
HIST 397 History and Sound			HIST 355 United States in the 19th Century, 1815–1850
HIST 445 Advanced Study in Global and Thematic History			HIST 356 United States in the 19th Century: The Era of the Civil War
HIST 475 Advanced Study in the History of Gender and Sexuality			HIST 357 Foreign Relations of the United States to 1945
HIST 477 Advanced Study in the History of Human Rights and Justice			HIST 358 Foreign Relations of the United States, 1945 to the Present
HIST 479 Advanced Study in Women's History			HIST 372 Latin American History Via the Novel
HIST 481 Advanced Study in Public History			HIST 376 The Caribbean and the Atlantic World
HIST 485 Public History Workshop			HIST 396 The United States Since 1945
			HIST 412 Advanced Study in Canadian History
			HIST 452 Advanced Study in American History
			HIST 457 Advanced Study in Latin American and Caribbean History

Introduction to History (HIST 200)

You are required to take HIST 200, Introduction to History

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- There are several sections of HIST 200 offered in the Fall and Winter terms, each with a different topic.
- [2022-23 HIST 200 Topics:](#)
 - Global History of September 11, 2001
 - The Oil Curse: MidEast, 1901-Present
 - History of Mexico City
 - A Late Twentieth-Century Genocide: Srebrenica, July 1995
 - Conjuring the Caribbean
 - History of Childhood



Program Path for History

Start with your 200-level requirements, incl. HIST 200

- You will need between 18 and 24 200-level HIST credits (6 to 8 courses), depending on your program: it is your choice to take them all the first year, or spread them out.

Take electives from the beginning: don't take only HIST courses

- Rough out a plan for your degree: figure out how, for instance, your 42 credits in a HIST Major (14 courses) should spread out over a 90-credit degree (30 courses)

Then, once your 200-levels are done, work on your 300-level and (if relevant) 400-level requirements

- Make sure you are fulfilling the Breadth Requirement groups
- Check in with yourself – and the History Advisor, if you want – after the first 24 credits or so. Am I in the right program? Should I apply for Honours? Are there issues I need to address?

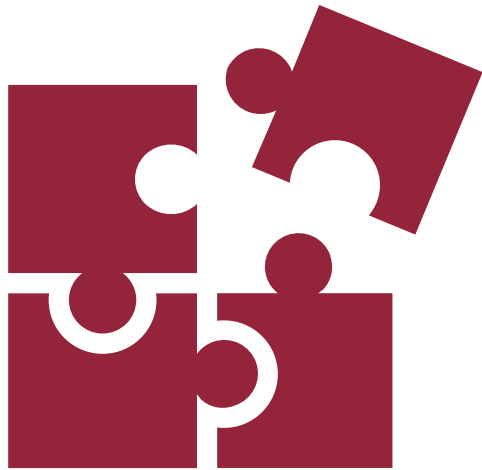


History Course Descriptions

✓ **Where do I find more detailed course descriptions than on the registration system?**

On the History Department Website: google
[Concordia History courses](#)



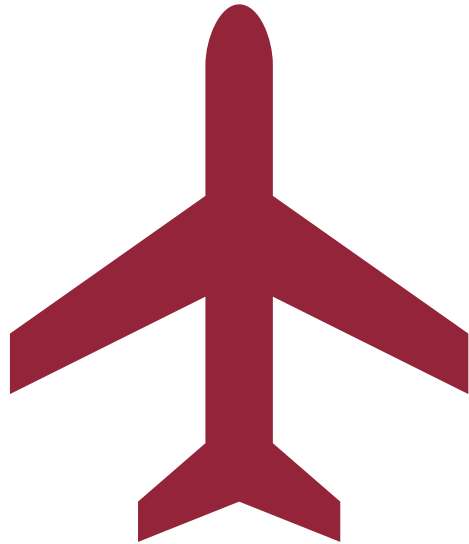


Academic Requirements Tool

- Unsure of where you are in your degree?
 - You can use the **Academic Requirements** tool through your Student Centre to determine which courses you have completed toward your degree and which ones you have remaining. If you have questions, **consult with an advisor:** email history.advisor@concordia.ca for an appointment.

Switching or adding programs

- Can I switch or add programs (e.g. a Minor or a second Major) during my studies?
 - Yes! It is quite simple – after you have completed 24 credits and if you have a minimum 2.0 GPA
 - [Google it](#) – or send us an email and we'll explain how



Opportunities at Concordia to Study Elsewhere

- [Student Exchange program](#): google [Concordia semester abroad](#)
 - In your second or third year you could spend one to two semesters at a university elsewhere in the world! There are bursaries available – it's a fantastic opportunity!
 - Requires advanced planning: so if you're interested, start thinking early
- Take courses and get credit from other Quebec Universities: google [Concordia classes at other Quebec universities](#)
 - This has been streamlined/expedited by an interuniversity agreement amongst all the Quebec universities: visit the website to fill out the forms



Steps to Success!

- Do not ignore problems
- Talk with your professors (during office hours, email, reach out to them!)
- Talk with an academic advisor
- Seek help through the services available at Concordia
- Maintain academic integrity



Students of History At Concordia

Students of History At Concordia (better known as SHAC) is a student organization representing all students registered in a history class at Concordia. SHAC was founded in 1978, and was created with the goal of protecting and advancing the interests of history students.

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