History (HIS)

Courses

HIS-113. Early Modern Europe. 3 Credits.
LECT 3 hrs
This course examines the transition from Medieval to Early Modern Europe. Included in the investigation are the Protestant Reformation and ensuing Catholic Counter-Reformation, and the causes and the consequences of the rise of the modern nation-state and the Enlightenment. It also traces the events precipitating the French Revolution and its aftermath.

HIS-114. Modern Europe. 3 Credits.
LECT 3 hrs
This course surveys Europe since the French Revolution, including the nationalistic, liberal and socialist revolutions of the 19th and 20th Centuries. It investigates imperialism and the power struggles among Europe's established and newly emerged states culminating in World War I. It also examines the Paris Conference, Europe between the two wars, and the rise of European fascism, communism, World War II and its aftermath.

HIS-117. The Ancient World-Greece and Rome. 3 Credits.
LECT 3 hrs
This course familiarizes the student with the cultural heritage of the ancient civilizations of the Mediterranean world, including Egypt, Greece and Rome. By the end of this course, the student should be able to demonstrate an understanding of the most important political, social, economic and cultural developments of the Mediterranean world. This course includes politics, economics, culture and religion.

HIS-118. The Middle Ages. 3 Credits.
LECT 3 hrs
This course investigates European development from the fall of the Roman Empire to the collapse of the Byzantium in 1453. The course includes the analysis of key political, social, intellectual and economic experiences in Western Europe.

HIS-122. History of Russia. 3 Credits.
LECT 3 hrs
The history of Russia from the Tsars to the present. Major emphasis is on the unique development of Russian culture during the Tsarist period through the collapse of the Soviet Union and post-Soviet period. Documents that reflect important developments are included.

HIS-123. History of Modern Africa. 3 Credits.
LECT 3 hrs
This course deals with the history, politics, economics and culture of Africa from the mid-1880s to the present. It provides an analysis of colonialism, nationalism and transfer of power, nation building and economic development and the international relations of African states.

HIS-147. History of Modern East Asia. 3 Credits.
LECT 3 hrs
A survey of modern East Asia including the impact of the West, the modernization of Japan, the origin and growth of the Chinese Communist Party and the Vietnam War.

HIS-148. Modern Middle East. 3 Credits.
LECT 3 hrs
An examination of the historical development of the Middle East with emphasis on the 20th century. Topics covered include the development of nationalism, Pan-Arab movements and the Arab-Israeli conflicts.

HIS-149. History of New Jersey. 3 Credits.
LECT 3 hrs
This course covers the history of the state from colonial times to the present. It emphasizes the lives of ordinary people as well as significant events and uses local history as a way of learning more about American history.

HIS-151. Latin American History. 3 Credits.
LECT 3 hrs
A survey of the historical development of Latin America focusing on its African multicultural and multi-ethnic populations and its emergence as a force in the 20th century. Students examine original documents in order to analyze the structure of social, economic and cultural relationships. Special attention is paid to the development of Argentina, Mexico and the Caribbean nations and their relationship to the United States.

HIS-160. History of Colonial and Revolutionary America. 3 Credits.
LECT 3 hrs
This course surveys the origin and development of the English colonies in America, from the earliest settlements through the Constitutional Convention of 1787. Major topics explored include population growth, territorial expansion, secularization of religious identity, colonial ideas and institutions, the development of English imperial policy and America's break with England.

HIS-164. Civil War and Reconstruction. 3 Credits.
LECT 3 hrs
This course examines slavery and the other issues and events leading to the Civil War. Attention is focused on the political, economic, social and cultural developments of the era as well as on the war and the Reconstruction period.

HIS-166. Emergence of America - U.S. History I. 3 Credits.
LECT 3 hrs
This course examines the first half of American history from the earliest settlements to the end of the 19th century with an emphasis on American expansion and settlement of the Continent and America's frontier heritage.

HIS-167. Twentieth Century American History - U.S. History II. 3 Credits.
LECT 3 hrs
This course surveys the domestic history and foreign policy of the United States in the 20th century. The nation's immigrant experience, political development, urbanization, economic progress and emergence as a superpower are among the topics explored.

HIS-181. The Middle Ages-Honors. 3 Credits.
LECT 3 hrs
This course allows students to investigate major events, as well as significant economic, social and political developments in both Western Europe and non-Western countries. Participants have the opportunity to read and examine primary sources in translation and scholarly monographs.

Prerequisites: Permission of department chair or honors advisor.
HIS-183. Modern Social Thought - Honors. 3 Credits.
LECT 3 hrs
Covers selected topics in the period from the 17th century through contemporary time. Readings of representative social science thinkers are related to their historical context so that students gain an appreciation of the causal reciprocity which exists among theory, practice and culture.
Prerequisites: Permission of department chair.

HIS-184. Early Modern Europe - Honors. 3 Credits.
LECT 3 hrs
This course allows students to investigate major events, as well as analyze significant economic, social, cultural and political ideas and themes through the investigation of primary documents in translation. The course covers European history during the period from 1350 to 1789.
Prerequisites: Permission of department chair or honors advisor.

HIS-185. Modern Europe - Honors. 3 Credits.
LECT 3 hrs
This course allows students to investigate major events, as well as analyze significant economic, social, cultural and political ideas and themes through the investigation of primary documents in translation. This course covers European history during the period from 1789 to the present era.
Prerequisites: Permission of department chair or honors advisor.

HIS-203. History of Minorities in U.S.. 3 Credits.
LECT 3 hrs
An historical survey of ethnic and racial minorities in the United States and the development of cultural pluralism. Emphasis is on the period since the Civil War, with attention to the role played by the various minorities in the nation's economic, political and cultural development and the status of these minority groups.

HIS-204. History of the African-American Experience. 3 Credits.
LECT 3 hrs
A survey of African-Americans from their African origins to the present. Emphasis is on the historical importance of the slavery experience, the black experience in the Civil War and Reconstruction era, and the development of segregation. Special attention is given to 20th century black contributions to American life and thought, black leadership issues and movements relevant to the black experience.

HIS-209. History of American Women. 3 Credits.
LECT 3 hrs
This course examines American women's experience from the colonial era through the contemporary feminist movement, including study of such key topics as the first women's movement, the suffrage and birth control movements, and concludes with understanding the conflicts and accomplishments inherent in women's status today.

HIS-247. History of the American City and Suburb. 3 Credits.
LECT 3 hrs
A survey of the development of the American city from colonial times to the present, with concentration on the period since the Civil War. The problems facing urban America today and the exodus to the suburbs also are emphasized.