

History (HIS)

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History is the study of the past, and of change over time. At Doane, the history major is geared toward in-depth study of Western (American and European) history and traditions. The major also exposes students to non-Western cultures such as those of Asia. History graduates go on to numerous careers including teaching, law, journalism, and government. Over the years, a number of Doane history majors have won the prestigious Fulbright scholarship for post-graduation employment and/or research at an international site.

Requirements for the History Major:

Complete 1 or 2.

1. Students not seeking certification for public school teaching of history must complete the following:
 - a. History 105, 106, 205, 206, 496.
 - b. Five additional elective courses in history chosen from at least two of the areas of American, European, and non-Western history.
2. Students seeking certification for public school teaching in history must complete the following:
 - a. History 105, 106, 205, 206, 496.
 - b. Five additional elective courses in history chosen from at least two of the areas of American, European, and non-Western history.
 - c. Cognates Social Science 322, 323, 324, 325 and a total of six or more credits chosen from one or more of the areas of economics, political science, and sociology.
 - d. One additional teaching major.
 - e. All requirements listed under the catalog section Secondary Education.

Requirements for the History Minor:

1. Complete History 105 (or 106) and History 205 (or 206).
2. Complete four additional history courses at the 300-400 level. At least one course must deal primarily with an aspect of 20th century history (305, 338, 353).

105, 106 History of Civilization I, II (3) (3)

An analysis of the development of civilization in Europe and elsewhere. Particular attention will be paid to the evolution of a modern mind set. This course focuses on the theme of how human perceptions changed over time—a key component of the very notion of “civilization.” As a result of these courses, students will gain an understanding of the Western and non-Western heritages in terms of their origins, development, values, and distinctive qualities. Students will also gain an understanding of the nature of so-

cial, political, economic, and psychological forces and how they affect us. First term: 1300-1815. Second term: 1815 to the present.

205, 206 History of the United States I, II (3) (3)

Investigation and analysis of the American colonial and national experience with emphasis on intellectual and institutional factors. First term ends 1877.

271, 371, 471 Selected Topics (1-3) (1-3) (1-3)

An investigation of topics not offered in other courses, selected on the basis of student interest and available instruction.

290, 390, 490 Directed Study (1-3) 1-3) (1-3)

An opportunity for supervised, independent study of a particular topic based on the interest of the student, and the availability and approval of the faculty.

305 Recent History of the United States (3)

An in-depth analysis of selected 20th century personalities, problems and trends significant in the shaping of the current domestic and foreign contexts of American life. *Offered alternate years.*

314 History of the Vietnam War and the 1960s (3)

A course designed to provide an overview of the Vietnam War as well as the social, political and cultural context of the 1960s. Effects of the Vietnam War and the 1960s on U.S. culture and politics today are also emphasized. **This course fulfills the Cultural Perspectives requirement of the Doane Plan.** *Cross-referenced with International Studies 314.*

317 Twentieth Century European Culture: Fascism (3)

An examination of fascism as an ideology which dominated the political and cultural life of Europe in the first half of the century. Readings in various disciplines, such as economics, sociology, education, art, psychology, philosophy, religion, and music, augment the investigation of this totalitarian ideology. The legacy of fascism in current political developments, both in Europe and in other areas of the world, is also examined. **This course fulfills the Cultural Perspectives requirement of the Doane Plan.** *Cross-referenced with International Studies 317.*

318 Germany After Hitler (3)

Germany in the second half of the 20th century. The course begins at the end of World War II, and progresses through the cold war years and the split into two states — West Germany and the GDR — to the fall of the wall and unification. **This course is taught in English. This course fulfills the Cultural Perspectives requirement of the Doane Plan.** *Cross-referenced with International Studies 318. Offered alternate spring terms.*

321 American Race Relations (3)

An examination of the interaction of Asian, European, and African cultures in North America from colonial times to the present. Areas of emphasis include colonial Indian relations, the rise and fall of slavery, Asian immigration, the civil rights movement, and modern issues of assimilation, separatism, and nativism. *Offered alternate years.*

324 Colonial America and the Revolution (3)

A survey at the intermediate level of the social, economic, intellectual, and political development of the North American colonies from the Age of Exploration to the ratification of the U.S. Constitution. *Prerequisite: History 205 or equivalent. Offered alternate years.*

326 Modern Asian History (3)

Emphasis on China and Japan with some coverage of the Korean peninsula. Themes include modernization, imperialism, relations with the West, Sino-Japanese relations, and economic development. As a result of this course, students will gain an understanding of the Western and non-Western heritages in terms of their origins, development, values, and distinctive qualities. Students will also gain an understanding of the nature of social, political, economic, and psychological forces and how they affect us. *(Cross-referenced with Political Science 326.) Offered alternate spring terms.*

336 American Culture and Thought (3)

An examination of some of the major thinkers and cultural forms in American history from colonial times to the present. Particular attention is paid to the social and political context in which individuals and groups expressed themselves and their ideas. Areas of emphasis include political and social analysis, literary expression, and popular culture. Through successful completion of this course, students will gain a deeper understanding of the development and values of Western cultures, particularly as they relate to the United States, and the interrelations between people, systems, and social forces. *Offered alternate fall terms.*

338 Modern Russia (3)

Russia from 1855 and the Great Reforms of Tsar Alexander II through the Bolshevik Revolution, the Stalin period, the decline and fall of the USSR, and the troubled emergence of the “New Russia” and the other post-Soviet successor states. As a result of this course, students will gain an understanding of Western and non-Western heritages in terms of their origins, development, values, and distinctive qualities. Students will also gain an understanding of the nature of social, political, economic, and psychological forces and how they affect us. *(Cross-referenced with Political Science 338.)*

341 Modern British History (3)

An examination of the evolution of English, politics, economics, society and culture. Special attention will be paid to issues such as the industrial revolution, the British class system, suffrage and feminism, and the worldwide influence of British culture and the English language. As a result of taking this course, students will gain an understanding of crucial parts of Western and non-Western heritages in terms of their origins, development, values, and distinctive qualities. Students will also gain an understanding of the nature of social, political, economic and psychological forces and how they affect us. *Offered alternate fall terms.*

344 Nineteenth-Century America (3)

An examination of the major social, political, and cultural developments in the United States from the early national period through the Gilded Age.

National expansion, social reform, civil war, reconstruction, urbanization, industrialization, and immigration are among the major topics to be addressed. Through successful completion of this course, students will gain a deeper understanding of the development and values of Western cultures, particularly as they relate to the United States, and the interrelations between people, systems, and social forces. *Offered alternate spring terms.*

346 Eastern Europe in the 19th and 20th Century (3)

A survey of the people of the Balkans and East-Central Europe (Rumania, Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia, Poland, Hungary) and their struggle for national independence; emphasis is also on the post-1945 communist period and the dynamics of the transition from Communism since 1989. *Offered alternate years.*

349 Contemporary Europe (3)

Collapse of European civilization through World War I and World War II, followed by the emergence of a New Europe in recent times. **This course fulfills the Cultural Perspectives requirement of the Doane Plan.** *Cross-referenced with International Studies 349. Offered alternate years.*

352 American West (3)

A survey of the American West from early European exploration to the present. In addition to exploring the social, cultural, and political history of the region, this course will address the environment, urbanization, the role of the federal government, social and cultural diversity, and the meaning and significance of regional history. Through successful completion of this course, students will gain a deeper understanding of the development and values of Western cultures, particularly as they relate to the United States, and the interrelations between people, systems, and social forces. *Offered alternate spring terms.*

353 Twentieth-Century World History (3)

An examination of modern political and social developments in six societies (Russia, China, India, Brazil, South Africa, and Japan). Change in these societies will be studied against the background of 20th-century global change in Europe, Africa, the United States, Latin America, and Asia. As a result of this course, students will gain an understanding of Western and non-Western heritages in terms of their origins, development, values, and distinctive qualities. Students will also gain an understanding of the nature of social, political, economic, and psychological forces and how they affect us. *(Cross-referenced with Political Science 353.) Offered alternate fall terms.*

496 Senior Seminar (3)

The techniques of bibliography, research, and historical composition combined with intensive reading and discussion of select topics. Each student produces a historiographical essay and/or a research paper on an aspect of the main topic. Through successful completion of this course, students will gain a deeper understanding of the development and values of Western cultures and

the interrelations between people, systems, and social forces. This course will also enhance each student's ability to gather, analyze, and interpret data. *Prerequisite: Senior standing or permission.*

Honors Program (HNR)

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302 Honors Seminar (1)

An investigation of topics not offered in other courses, honors seminars are taught at an accelerated pace and centered on topics selected on the basis of student interest and instructor availability. Honors students will take an honors seminar during every semester they are on campus (except for their final spring semester).

402 Honors Seminar Project (1)

This is a collaborative research project undertaken during an honors student's final spring semester at Doane College. This course is open only to graduating seniors and third-year students planning to graduate early. *Prerequisite: Junior or Senior status. Offered spring term.*

Humanities (HUM)

201 Archival Practicum (2)

A work experience in the College Archives to continue collecting, sorting, and listing, as well as work toward the establishment of the official Archival Catalog; collection of oral history; preparation of displays or archival material; answering search requests for patrons; and readings in archival practice and Doane history. *Prerequisite: Permission. (Cross-referenced with Social Science 201.)*

290, 390, 490 Directed Study (1-3) (1-3) (1-3)

An opportunity for supervised, independent study of a particular topic based on the interest of the student and the availability and approval of the faculty.

302-402 Foreign Language Enrichment (1)

A course designed to encourage interdisciplinary study in foreign language. It is taken in conjunction with a second course in some discipline other than the foreign language. The student reads materials relating to the second course, which is selected by the faculty teaching it. The student does, however, read the materials in their original language and under the guidance of a faculty member qualified to teach that language. *Prerequisite: Permission of both faculty involved.*