

# 3400 HISTORY

## Bachelor of Arts Degree

NOTE TO STUDENT: A student is expected to be familiar with the degree requirements. The following information has official approval of the History Department but is intended only as a guide. Official degree requirements are established at the time of admission to the degree-granting college. Potential history majors or minors are encouraged to contact the History Department as early in their University career as possible.

### FIRST YEAR

<u>Fall Semester</u>	<u>Semester Credit Hours</u>	<u>Prerequisites</u>
English Composition Requirement (Note a.)	4	Appropriate Placement by Adviser
3400:250 United States Hist. to 1877 (Lect. & Disc.) – <b>OR</b> –		
3400:251 United States Hist. Since 1877 (Lect. & Disc.)	4 (Note d.)	
Physical Education/Wellness (Note a.)	1-3	
Language Requirement (Note b.)	3-4	
Math Requirement (Note c.)	<u>3</u>	Appropriate Placement by Adviser
	15-18	
<u>Spring Semester</u>		
English Composition Requirement (Note a.)	3	
Speech/ Oral Communication (Note a.)	3	
3400:251 United States History Since 1877 (Lect. & Disc.) – <b>OR</b> –		
3400:250 United States History to 1877 (Lect. & Disc.)	4 (Note d.)	
Language Requirement (Note b.)	<u>3-4</u>	
	13-14	

### SECOND YEAR

<u>Fall Semester</u>	<u>Semester Credit Hours</u>	<u>Prerequisites</u>
Natural Science Requirement (Note a. and f.)	3-4	
Social Science Requirement (Note d. and f.)	3-4	
Language Requirement (Note b.)	3	
3400:210 Humanities in the Western Tradition I (Note e.)	4	32 credits & English requirements
Elective (Note f.) – <b>OR</b> –		
3400:3xx 300 level history course	<u>3</u>	
	16-18	
<u>Spring Semester</u>		
Natural Science Requirement (Note a. and f.)	3-4	
Language Requirement (Note b.)	3	
3400:310 Historical Methods	3	
Humanities Course	3-4	3400:210
Elective (Note f.) – <b>OR</b> –		
300 level history course	<u>3</u>	
	15-17	

### NOTES:

- a. Please see the General Education Guide for options at <http://www.uakron.edu/advising/docs/GEN-EDUC.pdf>
- b. Completion of the second year of a foreign language or American Sign Language is required for a history major in the College of Arts & Sciences. It is not required for some double majors.
- c. Several courses may be taken to fulfill the math requirement. Many History majors take either Basic Statistics, 3470:260, Statistics for Everyday Life, 3470:250, or Excursions in Math, 3450:135. Intermediate Algebra, 3450:100, **does not** meet the math requirement
- d. **Please note that either U.S. History Course (3400:250 or 251) are recommended but not required for the history major.**
- e. 3400:210 and 211, Humanities in the Western Tradition I and II, do not count towards the 32 History credit requirement for a major.
- f. A student wishing to minor in another discipline is encouraged to take General Education courses that can apply to that minor. A history major is encouraged to take courses in other disciplines in the Humanities and Social Sciences.

**POLICY ALERT: 1) By the end of your first 48 credit hours attempted, you must have completed your General Education English, Math, and Communications (Speech) requirements; 2) By the end of your first 48 credit hours attempted, you must have declared a major and transferred to (been accepted by) a degree granting college at The University of Akron.**

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Our history major develops strong oral and written communication abilities, and sharpens analytical and research skills, preparing students for a number of career paths. University of Akron history majors have successfully entered the business world, assuming lucrative positions in industry, banking and retail. Some have pursued government service in the military, law enforcement or defense industry. University of Akron history majors have also found employment opportunities in libraries, museums, archives, and historical agencies, including the Smithsonian and the National Park Service. Our degree program further provides valuable preparation for students who desire additional academic training, whether it be in law, public administration, or history itself. Many of our history majors have become K-12 teachers. One of our majors became an ambassador to Saudi Arabia, another was a college president, and yet another is an FBI agent. Because of the wide variety of fields in which the history major may find meaningful employment, it is impossible to cite a salary range. Much depends on individual qualifications; generally, the better the credentials (grades, total number of credits, electives chosen, impression in interview, etc.), the better the job. The possibilities are endless for putting your history degree to good use!

For more information on the wide variety of opportunities open to history majors, contact the history department, Ms. Eichler, Assistant to the Chair, via email:[history\\_advising@uakron.edu](mailto:history_advising@uakron.edu); or phone: 330-972-7006 to make an appointment, or visit our website: <http://www.uakron.edu/history/>

#### TRANSFER TO ARTS AND SCIENCES:

A student should apply to the College of Arts & Sciences upon completion of 30 credits and a 2.0 or better overall GPA (including transfer work). In addition, the student must have achieved a 2.0 in all coursework in the major field (including transfer work). The 30 credits must include the completion of both required English Composition courses and 3 credits of mathematics or statistics which meets the General Education requirement. This transfer process is completed through an appointment with an adviser, the Academic Advisement Center, Simmons Hall 205, (330) 972-7430 or Summit College, Polsky 301, (330) 972-7220, depending upon the college in which you reside.

INTERNSHIPS: Internships are an excellent way to build experience, explore careers, and make connections to find employment. There are many internships available for history majors, including ones in state and local museums, archives, libraries, historical agencies, as well in the realm of business, government, and the not-for-profit sector. History majors can also earn credit for internships. To find out more about internships, contact the Arts & Sciences Careers Program in 325 Olin Hall, 330-972-5714, or via email at: [careersprogram@uakron.edu](mailto:careersprogram@uakron.edu). To make an appointment with Ms. Eichler, call (330) 972-7006.

#### SCHOLARSHIPS:

The University of Akron History Department has the largest scholarship endowment in the College of Arts and Sciences. In the academic year 2007-2008 we awarded scholarships to approximately 20 students. Applications and additional information can be obtained by contacting Dr. Gordon: [lgordon@uakron.edu](mailto:lgordon@uakron.edu) or call (330) 972-7006.

#### PHI ALPHA THETA:

Phi Alpha Theta is a national honors society that promotes the study of history and historical awareness in the general public. The University of Akron's chapter has been extremely active over the last few years, hosting several guest lectures, showing historical movies and sponsoring social events. For more information on Phi Alpha Theta contact Dr. Williams: [zrw@uakron.edu](mailto:zrw@uakron.edu) or call (330) 972-7006.

#### ARTS & SCIENCES:

Degree requirements in Arts & Sciences include the first and second year of a foreign language or sign language (most majors), and 47 credits of 300/400 level courses, not including workshops or General Education courses for the Humanities in the Western Tradition or Area Studies and Cultural Diversity (World Civ) requirements. Consult your major department for any possible exceptions or problems. Minimum credit requirement for graduation is 128 semester credits.

#### COOPERATIVE EDUCATION:

Co-op is available on an optional basis in this academic program. To obtain additional information on program benefits, eligibility requirements or apply for the program contact the Co-op staff in Simmons Hall 301, (330)972-6722.