

Master of Arts in History

Requirements for Admission

1. B.A. degree from an accredited institution. Students with undergraduate majors in fields other than history will be required to complete prerequisites before entering the program.
2. Grade point average of 3.00 or better in the undergraduate history major (and in previous graduate courses attempted) as evidenced by the transcripts furnished. Grade point average of 3.20 or better in history for non-majors.
3. Completion of the general test Graduate Record Examination with scores acceptable to the departmental Graduate Studies Committee.
4. Three letters of recommendation; completion of program application and personal statement; writing sample.
5. Completion and acceptance of separate application for admission to the University (Office of Admissions and Records). GRE test scores required.
6. Favorable recommendation for admission by the departmental Graduate Studies Committee after review of the complete file. This confers advancement to classified standing as a graduate student.

For more information, please refer to Graduate Degrees in the Degree Requirements section of this catalog.

Requirements for the M.A.

1. Advancement to candidacy form (M.A. in History) signed and submitted to Graduate Office.
2. Grade point average of 3.00 or better for all work attempted in graduate status and in all work approved as a part of the specific pattern of study. With the approval of the student's committee chair and the graduate advisor, a maximum of 9 units of postgraduate transfer or extension credit (or any combination of the two) may be included as part of the student's specific pattern of study. All courses are to be taken for letter grade.
3. All requirements for the M.A. degree in history, including language and conditional requirements stipulated at the time of admission to candidacy, must be satisfactorily completed within seven years from the time the first course is completed. Completion of requirements form must be signed and submitted to the graduate office.
4. With the approval of the student's committee chair and the departmental graduate advisor, the satisfactory completion of one of the following two options:

Master's Thesis Option

(Chosen In Consultation With Committee Chair):

Courses at the 300 or 400 level	15
Graduate courses at the 500 level (including two seminars)	9
HIST 599 Master's Degree Thesis Research	6
Total units required for the M.A.	30

Comprehensive Examination Option

(Chosen In Consultation With Committee Chair):

Courses at the 300 or 400 level	15
Graduate courses at the 500 level (including HIST 500 and 510)	9
HIST 598 Comprehensive Examination Reading and Research	6
Total units required for the M.A.	30