

**ENGL 4303 Modern Critical Theory****3 Credit Hours**

This course is a study of modern critical terms and approaches literary scholars employ to analyze texts, including aesthetic, structural and post-structural, genre, feminist, historicist, critical cultural, and audience response theories. It considers the role of history and political ideologies in the formation of literary texts and canons. **(May be offered every other year)**

**Prerequisite: ENGL 1302 with a “C” or better****Offered: Fall****and 2000 level literature course; may be taken concurrently****ENGL 4373 African American Literature****3 Credit Hours**

This is an upper-division course studying literary texts from the 15<sup>th</sup> century to the 21<sup>st</sup> century written by African Americans in the United States and the African Diaspora. Students will study African American writers’ depictions and experiences of African Americans in non-fiction and fiction, drama, poetry, sermons, song and folklore. In reading, studying, discussing and interpreting works by African American writers, students will develop a greater appreciation of them and their contributions to the U.S. In addition to studying these works as literary texts, students will look closely at the historical, cultural, social and political events that influenced the writers. Students will also use different critical literary approaches to gain a deeper understanding of these texts as means of production and representation. There is a strong emphasis on writing assignments and class discussion.

**Prerequisite: 2000 level literature; may be taken concurrently****Offered: Fall/Yearly****ENGL 4393 Senior Seminar in Literary and Writing Arts****3 Credit Hours**

A capstone course in English literature and language in which students will write and defend a thesis that allows them to demonstrate knowledge and analytic skills gained over the course of study in the English literary arts or communication arts program and provides them with a polished writing sample for graduate school or job applications. Three faculty readers, one of whom is the primary advisor, will read the senior thesis, which will culminate in an oral presentation delivered to the faculty readers and open to the University community.

**Prerequisite: Senior standing within the English program; or advisor approval.****Offered: Fall****ENGL 4353 Special Topics in Literary and Writing Arts****3 Credit Hours**

This course serves to cover special topics or as a practicum in the area of English, and topics may vary from one semester to the next. *May be repeated when topics vary.*

**Prerequisite: Course Instructor approval****Offered: As Needed**

## **THE BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE IN HISTORY (HIST)**

### **Mission**

The study of History is an important part of the journey for intellectual development and human understanding. Through a study of History, we cultivate and develop an understanding of the varieties of the human experience. History helps students develop analytical skills to interpret both the past and the present as well as identify trends and explore human existence. History helps students appreciate both the possibilities and the limits of our own age.

The History program at Huston-Tillotson University provides students with a global perspective and solid grounding in the methods and fields of History. The History

program prepares students to find patterns, ideologies, experiences, and narratives that can serve as connecting points for diverse communities and societies. With their knowledge of the past and their historical perspective, History students go on to careers in all levels of education, government, and law, as well as social service, communications, museum and archival work, and business.

History majors seeking teacher certification should see the degree program for certification in History in the Teacher Education section of this *Bulletin*.

### **Degree Requirements for a Major in History**

History requires 39 credit hours of course work including 9 credit hours of history electives and 3 credit hours of either an upper division social science or humanities course. A grade of “C” or higher is required in all major courses.

#### History Courses:

HIST 1301 – United States History I

HIST 1302 – United States History II

HIST 2321 – World Cultures and Civilizations I or HIST 2322 – World Cultures and Civilizations II

HIST 3351 – Latin American History or HIST 3371 – Mexican American History

HIST 3353 – Social Studies and History for Secondary Teachers

HIST 2381 – African American History I

HIST 2382 – African American History II

HIST 4331 – Early Modern Europe *or* HIST 4352 – Modern Europe

HIST 4352 – Modern Europe

HIST 4338 – Historical Methods

HIST 4339 – History Seminar

#### Electives:

HIST Non-Western History Elective

HIST History Elective

HIST History Elective

Elective: Upper Division Social Science or Humanities course

### **Requirements for a Minor in History**

Students pursuing a minor in History must complete at least 18 semester hours. HIST 1301 and HIST 1302 are required. A grade of “C” or higher is required in all minor courses. In addition, students must select one course from each of the following three areas:

#### United States History

HIST 3341 US Constitutional Law

HIST 3364 Twentieth Century United States History

HIST 3371 Mexican American History  
HIST 2301 Texas History in the Borderlands  
HIST 4336 Special Topics in History (when the topic relates to U.S. History)

African and African American History

HIST 2381 African American History I  
HIST 2382 African American History II  
HIST 3357 African History  
HIST 4334 Race Relations in the Americas  
HIST 4336 Special Topics in History (when the topic relates to African American History)

World History

HIST 3351 Latin American History  
HIST 3352 Asian and East Asian History  
HIST 4331 Early Modern European History  
HIST 4352 Modern European History  
HIST 4353 Middle Eastern History  
HIST 4336 Special Topics in History (when the topic relates to World History)

Internship

HIST 4367 Internship in History

- Archives and History Collections
- Museums and Cultural Centers
- Historical Research Assistant

Students also must take an additional three credit hours of History. Students must maintain a 2.5 GPA in the minor and not receive any grades of “D” or lower. Students who select a minor in History are strongly encouraged to complete an internship for academic credit.

## A SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE FOR THE HISTORY MAJOR

### YEAR 1

FALL				SPRING			
UNIV	1201 or	Freshman Orientation	2	KINE	1304	Dimensions of Health and Wellness	3
RAMS	1201			ENGL	1302	College Rhetoric and Composition	3
MATH	1314	College Algebra	3	COMM	1315	Public Speaking	3
ENGL	1301	Introduction to College Composition	3	PSCI	1302	American Government	3
COSC	1300	Introduction to Computers	3			State Local	
KINE	1100 or	Personal Fitness or Sport	1	HIST	1301	US History I	3
	1101						
HIST	2321	World Culture and Civil I or II	3				
Total Hours			15	Total Hours			15

### YEAR 2

FALL				SPRING			
HIST	1302	U.S. History II	3	HIST	3351	Latin American History	3
SPAN or FREN		Language I	3	SPAN or FREN		Language II	3
Elective or Minor			3			Elective or Minor	3
PSCI	1301	American Government Federal	3	Fine Arts Core			3
Science I			4	Science II			4
Total Hours			16	Total Hours			16

### YEAR 3

FALL				SPRING			
Behavioral Science Core			3	HIST	2382	African American Hist. II	3
HIST	4338	Historical Methods	3		or 3357	African American History	
HIST	2381	African Amer. History I	3		or 4353	Middle East History	
Ethics/Religion Core			3	Elective Upper Division Social Science or Humanities			3
Elective or Minor			3	ENGL	2000 level	Literature course	3
				HIST		Elective or Minor	3
				Elective or Minor			3
Total Hours			15	Total Hours			15

### YEAR 4

FALL				SPRING			
HIST	4331 or	Early Modern Europe	3	HIST		Non-Western History	3
HIST	4352	Modern Europe		Elective			
HIST	4339	History Seminar	3	Elective or Minor			3
HIST		Elective or Minor	3	Elective or Minor			3
Elective or Minor			3	Elective or Minor			3
Elective or Minor			3	HIST		Elective	3
Total Hours			15	Total Hours			15

## COURSES IN HISTORY (HIST)

**HIST 1301 United States History I: Colonial Era to 1865** **3 Credit Hours**  
 An introduction to United States history from the pre-colonial period through Reconstruction. *It is required of all teacher certification candidates.*  
**Prerequisite: ENGL 1301** **Offered: Fall/Spring Yearly**

**HIST 1302 United States History II: Reconstruction to the Present** **3 Credit Hours**

An introduction to United States history from Reconstruction to the present. *It is required of all teacher certification candidates. This is a writing intensive course.*

**Prerequisite:** ENGL 1301

**Offered:** Fall/Spring Yearly

**HIST 1381 Introduction to the African American Experience 3 Credit Hours**

An interdisciplinary course that studies African Americans in the United States. The course includes a survey of ancient Africa, slavery in the United States, the Civil War, Reconstruction, segregation, the Harlem Renaissance, and the Civil Rights Movement. *This course also meets a diversity requirement.*

**Prerequisite:** None

**Offered:** Fall/Spring Yearly

**HIST 2301 Texas History in the Borderlands 3 Credit Hours**

An examination of southwestern history with a special emphasis on Texas history. This course takes a chronological/thematic approach beginning with the earliest exploration of New Spain in the 16<sup>th</sup> century and culminating in an analysis of contemporary challenges and concerns in the Borderlands.

**Prerequisite:** HIST 1301 or HIST 1302

**Offered:** Spring/Every Two Years

**HIST 2321 World Cultures and Civilizations I 3 Credit Hours**

A broad survey of Asian, Middle Eastern, Greek, Roman, European, African, and American cultures with an emphasis on the classical and medieval civilizations of the East and West. *This course also meets a diversity requirement.*

**Prerequisite:** None

**Offered:** Fall/Yearly

**HIST 2322 World Cultures and Civilizations II 3 Credit Hours**

A broad survey of Asian, Middle Eastern, Greek, Roman, European, African, and American cultures with an emphasis on the interaction among these civilizations from 1400 to the present. *This course also meets a diversity requirement.*

**Prerequisite:** None

**Offered:** Spring/Yearly

**HIST 2381 African American History I 3 Credit Hours**

Commencing with the West African origins, this course examines the history of African American people and their search for freedom from the era of the Atlantic slave trade through the period of the Civil War. *This is a writing intensive course and also meets a diversity requirement.*

**Prerequisite:** ENGL 1301 and one 1000 or 2000 level history course

**Offered:** Fall/Every Two Years

**HIST 2382 African American History II 3 Credit Hours**

An examination of historical trends, ideological issues, key personalities, and major events that have characterized the African American experience from the Reconstruction period to the present. *This is a writing intensive course and also meets a diversity requirement.*

**Prerequisite:** ENGL 1301 and one 1000 or 2000 level history course

**Offered:** Spring/Every Two years

**HIST 3314 Constitutional Law 3 Credit Hours**

This course examines the Federal Constitution and its development throughout our nation's history. Using the case law method and essays by historians, legal scholars, and law practitioners, the class studies the Constitution document, judicial rulings, opinions, and other aspects of legal history. The course covers landmark decisions of the Supreme Court of the United States from the early nineteenth century to the present, including those decisions that have interpreted both the extent of and limits to the powers residing in all branches of the government and those constitutional rights granted to the American people. *This is a writing intensive course.*

**Prerequisite: HIST 1301 or HIST 1302**

**Offered: Every Two Years**

**HIST 3351 Latin American History**

**3 Credit Hours**

A survey of Latin American History. Special emphasis is placed on contact, colonization, and independence. *This course also meets a diversity requirement.*

**Prerequisite: ENGL 1301**

**Offered: Fall/Every Two Years**

**HIST 3352 Asian and East Asian History**

**3 Credit Hours**

An examination of the peoples and cultures of Asia and the impact that contact with the West has had on both Asia and the world. *This course also meets a diversity requirement.*

**Prerequisite: ENGL 1301**

**Offered: Fall/Every Two Years**

**HIST 3353 Social Studies and History for Secondary Teachers**

**3 Credit Hours**

An exploration of the history and social studies curriculum taught in Texas middle and high schools. Although topics include government, geography, and economics, the primary focus is history. The course includes both classroom discussions as well as field work.

**Prerequisite: HIST 1301 or HIST 1302**

**Offered: Spring/Every Three Years**

**HIST 3357 African History**

**3 Credit Hours**

A survey of African history from prehistoric times to the present. *This course also meets a diversity requirement.*

**Prerequisites: ENGL 1301 and one 1000 or 2000 level history course**

**Offered: Spring/Every Two Years**

**HIST 3361 U.S. Women's History**

**3 Credit Hours**

A scholarly examination of the significant contours in American women's lives from the colonial era through the twentieth century. With a reliance on archival records, literary sources as well as standard history texts, students will explore key institutions, various ideologies, and societal perceptions as they have impacted women's experiences over the past two centuries.

**Prerequisites: ENGL 1301 and HIST 1301 or HIST 1302**

**Offered: Every Two Years**

**HIST 3364 Twentieth Century United States History**

**3 Credit Hours**

An examination of both the changing role of the United States in global affairs as well as the changing nature of United States' society and culture during the 20<sup>th</sup> century. *This is a writing intensive course.*

**Prerequisites: ENGL 1301 and one 1000 or 2000 level history course**

**Offered: As Needed**

**HIST 3371 Mexican American History**

**3 Credit Hours**

Examines the major themes and currents of the Mexican American (Chicano) experience from the Spanish conquest to the end of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century. This course chronicles the story of Mexican American people and their communities through the lens of economical, ideological, political and socio-cultural constructs.

**Prerequisites: ENGL 1301 and HIST 1301 or HIST 1302**

**Offered: Every Two Years**

**HIST 4331 Early Modern Europe**

**3 Credit Hours**

A survey of the history of Europe from about 1400 to 1800. Topics will include the Renaissance and Reformation; transitions from feudal to capitalist and colonial economies; health and epidemic diseases; women's experiences, sexuality and family life; the Scientific Revolution and Enlightenment; absolutism and the development of modern nation states.

**Prerequisites: ENGL 1301 and one 1000 or 2000 level history course**

**Offered: Fall/Every Two Years**

- HIST 4334 Race Relations in the Americas** **3 Credit Hours**  
 A comparative study of the interactions of Europeans, Africans, Asians, Latinos, and Amerindians in the Western Hemisphere from the colonial period to the present.  
**Prerequisites: ENGL 1301 and one 1000 or 2000 level history course** **Offered: Spring/Every Two Years**
- HIST 4336 Special Topics** **3 Credit Hours**  
 Topics vary according to current interests of the department and/or students. May be repeated once for credit when the topic varies. *This is a writing intensive course.*  
**Prerequisites: ENGL 1301 and one 1000 or 2000 level history course** **Offered: Spring/Every Year**
- HIST 4338 Historical Methods** **3 Credit Hours**  
 An examination and application of various techniques of historical research and writing, such as the use of primary source materials and comparative analysis. The course explores historical schools of thought as reflections of the history writer, the context, and the time frame. *This is a writing intensive course.*  
**Prerequisite: 9 semester hours in history, or departmental approval** **Offered: Every Year**
- HIST 4339 History Seminar** **3 Credit Hours**  
 A course covering topics such as original research, data collection, and history writing. Students explore aspects of the history profession and career opportunities within the field. Students also acquire technology literacy in the field of history through e-portfolio or e-publishing assignments. *This is a writing intensive course.*  
**Prerequisite: HIST 4338** **Offered: Every Year**
- HIST 4352 Modern Europe** **3 Credit Hours**  
 A survey history of Europe from the French Revolution of 1789 to the present, emphasizing the development of new political traditions and social structures, the establishment of new forms of international organizations, the transformation of work, changes in the lived environment, and the evolution of understandings of self.  
**Prerequisites: ENGL 1301 and one 1000 or 2000 level history course** **Offered: Fall/Every Three Years**
- HIST 4353 Middle Eastern History** **3 Credit Hours**  
 A survey of Middle Eastern history, with emphasis on the region's relationship with the West, the rise of nationalism, and the conflict between traditionalism and modernization. *This course also meets a diversity requirement.*  
**Prerequisites: ENGL 1301 and one 1000 or 2000 level history course** **Offered: Spring/Every Three Years**
- HIST 4367 Internship in History** **3 Credit Hours**  
 An internship experience for History students. Students work as interns with three options: Archives and History Collections, Museums and Cultural Centers, Historical Research Assistant  
**Prerequisite: 9 semester hours in history or departmental approval** **Offered: By Arrangement**