

West Chester University

B.A. in History with Elective Social Studies Teacher Certification through the Honors College Advisement Sheet

Effective for students entering Spring
'26 and later.

Indicate all the courses you have taken at WCU or transferred for credit. For completed courses, also list the grades. Mark an asterisk () beside courses you are currently taking.*

Students must maintain a grade of "C" in all HIS courses both required and elective.

I. HISTORY CORE (15 credits)

Five courses (15 credits) comprising 1 approved lower-level course in World History, 1 approved lower-level course in U.S. history, 2 other approved lower-level courses, and HIS 300.

A. World History (3 credits)

Select one course from the following:

- HIS 100 ____ (Contemporary Global History)
- HIS 101 ____ (History of Civilization I)
- HIS 102 ____ (History of Civilization: Power, Identity, and Culture in the Modern World)

B. U.S. History (3 credits)

Select one course from the following:

- HIS 150 ____ (The American Experience)
- HIS 151 ____ (History of the United States I)
- HIS 152 ____ (History of the United States II)

C. Lower-Level Electives (6 credits)

Select two courses from the following:

- HIS 100 ____ (Contemporary Global History)

HIS 101 ____ (History of Civilization I)

HIS 102 ____ (History of Civilization: Power, Identity, and Culture in the Modern World)

HIS 150 ____ (The American Experience)

HIS 151 ____ (History of the United States I)

HIS 152 ____ (History of the United States II)

HIS 200 ____ (Making History: Controversies in History)

HIS 214 ____ (Do No Harm? The Pursuit of Justice in the History of Medicine)

HIS 215 ____ (Introduction to the History of Science)

HIS 221 ____ (The Medieval Middle East)

HIS 222 ____ (The Modern Middle East)

HIS 224 ____ (Reform and Revolution in Imperial Russia)

D. Required Course (3 credits)

HIS 300 ____ (Varieties of History)

E. Historical Focus Area (21 credits)

Students choose one 300/400-level course from each of the geographic regions of U.S., European, and World/Regional history, and 4 thematically related 300/400-level courses independent of geographic region, chosen with approval from advisor.

U.S. History (1)
European History (1)
World/Regional History (1)
Thematic Focus-Area (4)

NOTE:

See the next page for specific courses.

F. Capstone Requirement (3 credits)

HIS 400 ____ (Research Seminar in History)

II. Social Studies Disciplinary Content Courses

The 5 Behavioral Science Courses required of History Teacher Cert Candidates (PSY 100, PSC 100, ECO 111 OR 112, GEO 101 OR 103, and SOC 100 OR ANT 102) are incorporated within completion of the Honors Core and B.A.

III. REQUIRED PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION COURSES (32 credit hours)

(Reminder: EDF 300 and ENG/LAN 382 are met within completion of Honors Core, specifically HON 312 and HON 322. Students take EITHER HON 312 (in place of EDF 300) OR HON 322 (in place of LAN/ENG 382.)

EDA 103 ____ (Spec. Ed. Found.)
EDA 303 ____ (Process/Procedures)
EDP 280 ____ (Dev. Psych)
EDR 347 ____ (Inclusion)
ERM 355 ____ (Assessment)
EDF 300 ____ (Democracy and Education)

OR

LAN/ENG 382 ____ (Teaching English Language Learners PK-12)

SED 100 ____ (Secondary Exploration)
SED 200 ____ (Environ & Field)
SED 300 ____ (Teaching & Tech)
SED 331 ____ (Teaching Soc. Studies)
SED 411 ____ (Student Teaching)
SED 412 ____ (Student Teaching)

VII. ADDITIONAL TEACHER CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

HON 212, 313, and 352 counts for the WRT, LIT, and one MAT course necessary for teacher candidacy. Taking a second MAT course (as listed in the Honors Core) will complete the Teacher Candidacy requirement.

III. FOREIGN LANGUAGE (0-15 credits.)

Demonstrating language proficiency through the intermediate level (202)

IV. HONORS COLLEGE CORE SEQUENCE for GEN ED (27 credits)

HON 100 _____ (Self Awareness)
HON 211 _____ (Public Discourse)
HON 212 _____ (Ethics & Technology)
HON 310 _____ (Community Change)
HON 311 _____ (Stewardship/Civic
Responsibility)
HON 312 _____ (Educational Systems)*
or
HON 322 _____ (Leader. With ELLs)**
HON 313 _____ (Public Opinion)
HON 314 _____ (Environ. Systems)
HON 315 _____ (Community & Arts)
SCIENCE _____ x _____
MAT _____ x _____

NOTES: Particularly for teacher cert:

*Meets requirement for EDF 300

**Meets requirements of
LAN/ENG 382

V. ADDITIONAL HONORS COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS (9 credits)

- A) Two HON seminars at the 320 level
or above (except 322). For Teacher
Candidacy Purposes, one must be
HON 352.

HON 352 _____
HON _____

- B) Capstone Project^

HON 490 _____

^NOTE: Enrollment upon core
completion: ideally 6th or 7th semester.

VI. DIRECTED ELECTIVES

Take enough directed electives to
complete 120 credits. The actual number
of electives required will vary depending
upon (among other things) the option to
complete a minor(s) and the number of
courses the student must take to
complete the foreign language
requirement.

**Bring this sheet with you whenever
you meet with your advisor about
scheduling or course planning!**

Historical Focus Areas

A. United States History Courses

- HIS 313 ____ (Eugenics and the University: The History of Higher Education's "War on the Weak")
- HIS 329 ____ (Gender and Peace)
- HIS 343 ____ (Colonial America)
- HIS 344 ____ (History of Pennsylvania)
- HIS 352 ____ (Modern American Military History)
- HIS 356 ____ (U.S. Environmental History)
- HIS 357 ____ (Diplomatic History of the United States)
- HIS 362 ____ (Violence in America)
- HIS 364 ____ (U.S. Urban History)
- HIS 365 ____ (American Popular Culture in the 20th Century)
- HIS 366 ____ (The Turbulent Sixties)
- HIS 367 ____ (American Material Culture)
- HIS 368 ____ (Gay America)
- HIS 369 ____ (American West)
- HIS 370 ____ (American Indians)
- HIS 373 ____ (African-American History)
- HIS 376 ____ (American History at the Movies)
- HIS 378 ____ (Revolutionary America)
- HIS 380 ____ (History of U.S. Involvement in the Middle East)
- HIS 390 ____ (History on the Web)
- HIS 393 ____ (Reproduction and Reproductive Rights in the United States from 1700 to the Present)
- HIS 399 ____ (Topics in U.S. History)
- HIS 410 ____ (Independent Study in History)
- HIS 413 ____ (Nuclear War: The History of Fighting, Filming, Surviving, or Preventing One)
- HIS 418 ____ (Global History of Slavery)
- HIS 440 ____ (American Jewish History)
- HIS 444 ____ (History of American Education)

- HIS 450 ____ (Internship in History)
- HIS 451 ____ (Women and Gender in American History)
- HIS 458 ____ (History of The Cold War)
- HIS 460 ____ (Field Studies in History)
- HIS 480 ____ (Digital History)

B. European History Courses

- HIS 318 ____ (The Ancient World)
- HIS 319 ____ (Medieval Europe)
- HIS 320 ____ (Renaissance and Reformation)
- HIS 323 ____ (Austrian Civilization)
- HIS 324 ____ (Race & Nation in the Russian Empire)
- HIS 328 ____ (The French Revolution and Napoleon)
- HIS 329 ____ (Gender and Peace)
- HIS 331 ____ (20th Century Europe)
- HIS 332 ____ (The Holocaust)
- HIS 390 ____ (History on the Web)
- HIS 398 ____ (Topics in European History)
- HIS 410 ____ (Independent Study in History)
- HIS 413 ____ (Nuclear War: The History of Fighting, Filming, Surviving, or Preventing One)
- HIS 418 ____ (Global History of Slavery)
- HIS 421 ____ (History of England to 1688)
- HIS 422 ____ (History of England Since 1688)
- HIS 423 ____ (Modern Germany)
- HIS 424 ____ (World of Communism)
- HIS 425 ____ (Twentieth-Century Russia)
- HIS 427 ____ (Modern France: 1789 To Present)
- HIS 434 ____ (19th Century Europe)
- HIS 450 ____ (Internship in History)
- HIS 458 ____ (History of The Cold War)
- HIS 460 ____ (Field Studies in History)
- HIS 480 ____ (Digital History)

C. World/Regional Courses

- HIS 302 ____ (Modern India)
- HIS 305 ____ (Modern China)
- HIS 306 ____ (Chinese Civilization)
- HIS 308 ____ (Introduction to the Islamic World)
- HIS 311 ____ (History of Africa to 1875)

- HIS 312 ____ (History of Africa Since 1875)
- HIS 314 ____ (Latin American Women's History)
- HIS 315 ____ (Colonial Latin America)
- HIS 316 ____ (Modern Latin America)
- HIS 317 ____ (History of Mexico)
- HIS 318 ____ (The Ancient World)
- HIS 349 ____ (The Jew in History)
- HIS 375 ____ (A History of the Arab-Israeli Conflict)
- HIS 380 ____ (History of U.S. Involvement in the Middle East)
- HIS 381 ____ (The Forgotten Queens of Islam)
- HIS 390 ____ (History on the Web)
- HIS 397 ____ (Topics in World History)
- HIS 407 ____ (History of Brazil)
- HIS 410 ____ (Independent Study in History)
- HIS 418 ____ (Global History of Slavery)
- HIS 424 ____ (World of Communism)
- HIS 450 ____ (Internship in History)
- HIS 458 ____ (History of The Cold War)
- HIS 460 ____ (Field Studies in History)
- HIS 480 ____ (Digital History)