

History (PhD)

Graduate study in history is offered in the following major fields: Africa; Atlantic; East Asia; early modern Europe; history of science, technology, and medicine; Latin America; medieval Europe; Middle East; modern Europe; South Asia; and United States.

Graduate Handbook

Graduate handbook information is updated and maintained by each program. Graduate handbooks are available within each program's office and [online](#). Please contact the program with concerns or questions.

Admission

The Graduate Program Committee maintains close control over admission to the doctoral program; students are reviewed each year until they enter candidacy, and are approved for continuation only if the committee believes the student will excel in doctoral work.

Total hours required: 36

Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Hours chosen from: major field of interest in history		15
Hours chosen from: history research seminar		6
Hours chosen from: supporting field outside the major field of interest (some or all of these may be taken either within or outside the department)		12
HIS 399W	Dissertation	3
Graduate Liberal Arts Requirements		
Graduate University Requirements		
Total Hours		36

Additional Requirements

Courses taken at the University for the master's degree are counted toward the hours required for the doctoral degree. Only three hours for the research seminar are needed if a student has written a master's thesis at the University of Texas. The graduate advisor may also permit transfer of up to 12 hours of graduate credit from another institution.

All graduate students must take HIS X94H Introduction to Historical Inquiry. Student in the field of U.S. History must also take HIS X97K Topics in Literature of United States History.

Students must fulfill the foreign language requirement for the major field as prescribed in the department's Official Guide to Graduate Study in History.

To qualify for admission to candidacy for the doctoral degree, students must pass both a written and an oral examination in the major field, and complete and defend a prospectus.

Students must meet any other requirements prescribed individually by the Graduate Studies Committee or by the dissertation supervisory committee.