



ACADEMIC MAP - HISTORY

2025-2026



NORTHWESTERN STATE
UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA

School of Social Sciences and Applied Programs
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YEAR 1	SEMESTER 1	Milestones	Grade	Credits	Minimum Grade
	HIST 1010 – Early World Civilization			3	
	MATH 1020 – College Algebra or MATH 1035 – Contemporary Mathematics			3	
	ENGL 1010 – Composition and Rhetoric I			3	
	GEOG 1010 – World Regional Geography			3	
	FA 1040 – Exploring the Arts			3	
	UNIV 1000 – The University Experience			1	

- Meet with advisor to discuss degree requirements and progress.

Total Credits
for Semester _____

SEMESTER 2	Milestones	Grade	Credits	Minimum Grade
HIST 1020 – Modern World Civilization			3	
MATH 1060 – Finite Mathematics			3	
ENGL 1020 – Composition and Rhetoric II			3	
COMM 1010 – Oral Communication or COMM 2500 – Interpersonal Communication			3	
SOC 1010 – Introduction to Sociology or PSYC 1010 – Introduction to Psychology			3	

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Total Credits _____

YEAR 2	SEMESTER 1	Milestones	Grade	Credits	Minimum Grade
	HIST 2010 – History of the United States			3	
	ENGL 2110 – Introduction to Literature			3	
	SCI 1010 – Basic Concepts of Physical Science I			3	
	Foreign Language*			3	
	Elective/Minor			3	

* All six semester hours must be in the same foreign language-1010, 1020.

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Semester Credits _____

Total Credits _____

SEMESTER 2	Milestones	Grade	Credits	Minimum Grade
HIST 2020 – History of the United States			3	
SCI 1020 – Basic Concepts of Biological Science I			3	
Foreign Language*			3	
Elective/Minor			3	
Elective/Minor			3	

* All six semester hours must be in the same foreign language-1010, 1020.

- Meet with advisor to discuss capstone course requirements for History degree (HIST 3000 & HIST 4000/4990).

- Choose an academic minor to complete alongside the History degree.

Semester Credits _____

Total Credits _____

YEAR 3	SEMESTER 1	Milestones	Grade	Credits	Minimum Grade
	SCI 2010 – Basic Concepts of Physical Science II or SCI 2020 – Basic Concepts of Biological Science II			3	
	HIST 3000 – The Historian's Craft*			3	
	Elective/Minor			3	
	History Elective			3	
	History Elective			3	

* HIST 3000 is only available in the Fall.

- Meet with advisor to discuss degree requirements and progress.

Semester Credits _____

Total Credits _____

SEMESTER 2	Milestones	Grade	Credits	Minimum Grade
Elective/Minor			3	
Elective/Minor			3	
Elective/Minor			3	
History Elective			3	
History Elective			3	

- Meet with advisor to discuss degree requirements and progress. Semester Credits _____

Total Credits _____

YEAR 4	SEMESTER 1	Milestones	Grade	Credits	Minimum Grade
	HIST 4000 – History Research Methods or HIST 4990 – Public History Internship or Elective*			3	
	Elective/Minor			3	
	Elective/Minor			3	
	History Elective			3	
	History Elective			3	

* HIST 4000 and HIST 4990 are offered in both Fall and Spring; only one semester of either is required.

- Meet with advisor to review degree plan for graduation.
- Take GRE (if applying to graduate school).
- Verify requirements for graduate school(s) of your choice.
- Apply to graduate school(s).

Semester Credits _____

Total Credits _____

SEMESTER 2	Milestones	Grade	Credits	Minimum Grade
HIST 4000 – History Research Methods or HIST 4990 – Public History Internship or Elective*			3	
Elective/Minor			3	
Elective/Minor			2	
History Elective			3	
History Elective			3	

* HIST 4000 and HIST 4990 are offered in both Fall and Spring; only one semester of either is required.

- Apply for graduation.
- Meet with advisor to review degree plan for graduation.

Semester Credits _____

Total Credits **120**

YOU'VE FINISHED!



Milestone - Should be taken in order to stay on track for graduation and professional school readiness.



Required by History Program



Major Elective



Academic Elective

Academic electives must be chosen so as to complete a minor as defined by the department concerned. Students may apply toward the degree a maximum of 27 semester hours in courses offered in the School of Business.



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Hours = 120, History = 42, Geography = 3, Foreign Language = 6, Academic Electives = 35

Courses taken outside of a student's degree program are not eligible for Title IV federal financial aid (grants and loans). However, elective courses are eligible for Title IV aid if they are required and included in the student's program of study. Once a student has completed all required elective credits, any additional elective courses taken beyond the program's requirements will not be eligible for Title IV funding.



List of History Electives	Category*	# of Credits
HIST 3010 - Biblical History	Non-US	3
HIST 3040 - History of Louisiana	US	3
HIST 3060 - The Old South: 1492-1865	US	3
HIST 3070 - The Contemporary South	US	3
HIST 3090 - Ancient History	Non-US	3
HIST 3100 - Medieval History	Non-US	3
HIST 3110 - The Renaissance and Reformation	Non-US	3
HIST 3120 - History of Europe (1648-1789)	Non-US	3
HIST 3140 - The American West	US	3
HIST 3220 - Modern France	Non-US	3
HIST 3240 - Military History of the U.S.	US	3
HIST 3250 - The French Revolution and Napoleon	Non-US	3
HIST 3330 - Women, Gender, & Sexuality in US History	US	3
HIST 3400 - The Civil War, 1861-1865	US	3
HIST 3500 - Russia, Eastern Europe, and Central Asia	Non-US	3
HIST 3510 - African-American History through Reconstruction	US	3
HIST 3520 - African-American History after Reconstruction	US	3
HIST 3600 - The City: Past, Present, & Future	Either**	3
HIST 4010 - History of Modern China	Non-US	3
HIST 4070 - Slavery in the Americas	US	3
HIST 4110 - History of Modern Japan	Non-US	3
HIST 4120 - History of American Foreign Relations	US	3
HIST 4140 - Ancient Greece	Non-US	3
HIST 4150 - Roman Republic and Empire	Non-US	3
HIST 4310 - Colonial America (1492-1754)	US	3
HIST 4320 - Revolutionary America (1754-1783)	US	3
HIST 4330 - The Early American Republic (1783-1828)	US	3
HIST 4340 - The U.S. in the Antebellum Period (1828-1860)	US	3
HIST 4350 - America in Transition (1865-1912)	US	3
HIST 4360 - The United States, 1912-1945	US	3
HIST 4380 - History of Europe (1815-1870)	Non-US	3
HIST 4390 - History of Europe (1870-1918)	Non-US	3
HIST 4400 - Europe 1918-1945	Non-US	3
HIST 4420 - History of England to 1689	Non-US	3
HIST 4430 - History of England since 1689	Non-US	3
HIST 4440 - Modern Germany	Non-US	3
HIST 4450 - The United States, 1945-1968	US	3
HIST 4470 - Europe since 1945	Non-US	3
HIST 4500 - United States since 1968	US	3
HIST 4980 - Special Topics in History	Non-US	3

* History electives: Students must take at least 12 hours of advanced US History and 12 hours of advanced European/Non-US History.

** HIST 3600 can count for either advanced US History or advanced European/Non-US History.