

HISTORY GUIDE: 2022

Queen's
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DEPARTMENT OF
HISTORY



WELCOME TO HISTORY

DEAR HISTORY STUDENTS,

We are so glad that you have selected a History degree plan during plan selection this year and we look forward to welcoming you to the program in September!

This bulletin is a guide for the next three years of your Major or Medial degree in History. It will help you to stay on track in your degree requirements through identifying important information and milestones, while highlighting exclusive opportunities available to you as a History student.

WHAT'S INSIDE:

- Key Milestones
 - Next Steps:
Selecting your **core seminar**
- Degree plans
- Typical plan patterns
- History Opportunities
(Internships, Research)
- Contacts and
Academic Advisement

KEY MILESTONES

END OF FIRST-YEAR

MAY – Declare History Major/Medial Plan

JULY – Course registration for second year

- Explore your Academic Requirements Report on SOLUS while course planning (pg.4)
- **Mid-July:** Enrollment appointments open on SOLUS
 - **Enroll in one yearlong core seminar** (pg.3)

END OF SECOND-YEAR

JULY – Course registration for third year

- Review your Academic Requirements Report
- **Early July:** History's Advanced Course Selection
 - *Be sure to check your queensu.ca email in June/July for details*
- **Mid-July:** Enrollment appointments open on SOLUS

END OF THIRD-YEAR

MAY - JUNE – Review remaining degree requirements

- Schedule an appointment with an Academic Advisor in History at **hist.undergraduatequeensu.ca** to make sure you're on track to satisfy your degree requirements by the end of fourth-year
- Review your Academic Requirements Report

JULY – Course registration for fourth year

- **Early July:** History's Advanced Course Selection
 - *Be sure to check your queensu.ca email in June/July for details*
- **Mid-July:** Enrollment Appointments open on SOLUS

Starting in **second year**, students are eligible to enroll in History's internship course: **HIST 212: Experiential Learning in Historical Practice.**

Starting in **third year**, students are eligible to enroll in **History's Archives Internship Courses: HIST 501 and HIST 502.**

Students going into **fourth year** are eligible to apply for an **Independent Research** course in History: HIST 514, 515, and 517.



NEXT STEPS: CORE SEMINAR

2022 COURSE REGISTRATION: JULY 18 - 22

During course registration this summer, all students who have declared a History Major or Medial and are entering their second year of study **must enroll in a Core Seminar**. The Core Seminar is a yearlong course numbered from **HIST 300 to HIST 330** reserved for History Major and Medial students. These small courses provide an in-depth training in historical methods and encourage active discussion among student peers and with instructors.

Students must receive a **minimum grade of C+** in their Core Seminar in order to enroll **Upper-Year Seminars** in third and fourth year. The Core Seminar is required to progress in a History degree, so make sure to enroll for 2022-2023!

QUICK TIPS:

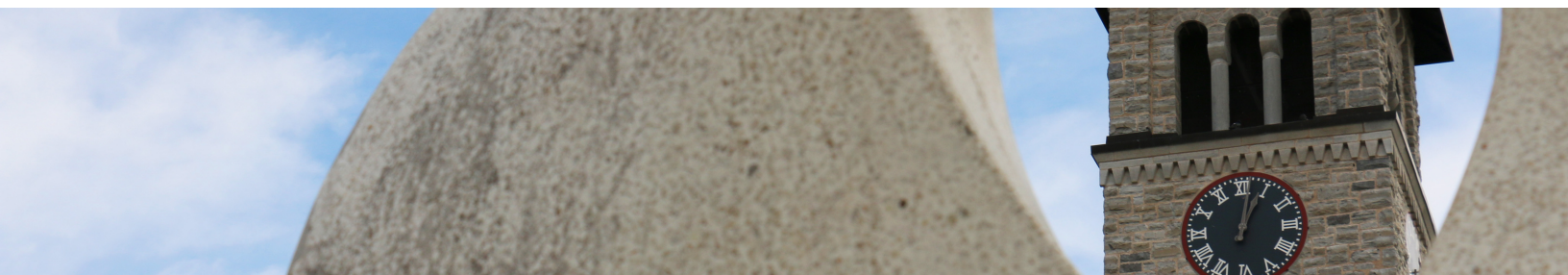
Enrolling in a Core Seminar can be competitive

When your enrolment appointment begins, **enroll in your core seminar first**, before any electives, to ensure you have the best chance at securing a seat in your top choice.



Explore the 2022-2023 Core Seminars now

Review the Undergraduate Bulletin Vol. 15 to view the 9 core seminars offered next year. The Bulletin links to the Department of History website, where you can read more about the course and view your instructor's profiles! Click this button to view the Bulletin.



HISTORY DEGREE PLANS

MAJOR PLAN: 120 UNITS TOTAL

60-units of History courses + 60-units of electives

- **1. Core Requirements: 30-units broken down as follows:**
 - A. 6-units from HIST at the 100-level OR BISC 100 OR BISC 101
 - B. 6-units from HIST 300-330 (core seminar taken in second year)
 - C. 18-units from HIST 333-499 (upper-year seminars taken in years 3+4)
- **2. Option Requirements: 30-units broken down as follows:**
 - A. 15-units from HIST at the 200 level
 - B. 9-units from HIST at the 200 level OR HIST at the 500 level
 - C. 6-units from HIST at the 100 level OR 200 level OR HIST_Sub
- **3. Additional Requirements: 6-units of Canadian History**

MEDIAL PLAN: 120-UNITS TOTAL

42-units of History courses + 42-units of another discipline + 36-units of electives

- **1. Core Requirements: 24-units broken down as follows:**
 - A. 6-units from HIST at the 100-level OR BISC 100 OR BISC 101
 - B. 6-units from HIST 300-330 (core seminar taken in second year)
 - C. 12-units from HIST 333-499 (upper-year seminars taken in years 3+4)
- **2. Option Requirements: 18-units broken down as follows:**
 - A. 6-units from HIST at the 200 level
 - B. 6-units from HIST at the 200 level OR HIST at the 500 level
 - C. 6-units from HIST at the 100 level OR 200 level OR HIST_Sub
- **3. Additional Requirements: 6-units of Canadian History**

QUICK TIP: Want to see where you stand in your degree requirements? Run an Academic Requirements Report on SOLUS

The ARR is a useful tool that maps the courses you have taken onto your degree requirements to help you easily understand what courses you need to take to satisfy your academic requirements. Click this button for instructions on accessing your ARR.



TYPICAL PLAN PATTERNS

HISTORY MAJOR

Year 1	Two 3-unit 100-level History courses
Year 2	Core seminar (HIST 300-330); and 9-12 units of 200-level lecture classes (HIST 200-299)
Year 3	Two or three upper-year seminars (HIST 333-499); and 9-12 units of 200-level classes
Year 4	Three or four upper-year seminars (HIST 333-499); and 6-9 units of 200-level classes (HIST 200-299)

HISTORY MEDIAL

Year 1	Two 3-unit 100-level History courses
Year 2	Core seminar (HIST 300-330); and 6-9 units of 200-level lecture classes (HIST 200-299)
Year 3	Two upper-year seminars (HIST 333-499); and 6 units of 200-level classes (HIST 200-299)
Year 4	Two upper-year seminars (HIST 333-499); and 3-6 units of 200-level classes (HIST 200-299)



OPPORTUNITIES IN HISTORY

History Major and Medial students have the option to undertake independent research courses as well as experience-based learning in a variety of internships.

INDEPENDENT RESEARCH

Undergraduate students can work on an independent research project under the supervision of a faculty member in one of History's independent research courses. Applications are due in the summer preceding the student's fourth year. In these courses, students can expand upon a research paper that was written for an upper-year seminar course, explore a new topic they didn't get the chance to study during their classes, or pursue an independent reading program while on exchange. Learn more on the Independent Research Page.

Courses:

- **HIST 514/3.0: Independent Research Paper**
- **HIST 515/6.0: Independent Research Paper**
- **HIST 517/3.0: Independent Study Project**

INTERNSHIPS

Experiential learning courses provide students with an opportunity to apply their rich academic background in history in a practical professional context. HIST 212 offers a wide variety of placements with local, national, and international partners, while HIST 501/502 offer students the opportunity to work in the Queen's Archives.

Courses:

- **HIST 212/3.0: Experiential Learning in Historical Practice**
- **HIST 501/6.0: Queen's Archives Internship (full-year)**
- **HIST 502/3.0: Queen's Archives Internship (single-term)**

Learn more about History's experiential learning opportunities and how to apply on the Department of History website. Hear from past students in the **HIST 212: Experiential Learning in Historical Practice Blog**.



ACADEMIC ADVISEMENT IN HISTORY

PATH - PEER ADVISING TEAM IN HISTORY

PATH is a team of dedicated upper-year History students who are excited to support their peers, through answering students' questions and sharing their experiences as History students at Queen's. As a 2nd-year student, **book an appointment with PATH** to learn more about what upper-year courses are like, how to choose your courses, and how to succeed in a History degree. Students can book a virtual or in-person appointment with a PATH advisor from September through April each year.

Interested in becoming a PATH advisor?

The Department accepts applications in June each year!

UNDERGRADUATE ASSISTANT

The Undergraduate Assistant provides year-round advisement to future and current History students. If you have questions on the History program, course registration, degree requirements, or planning for exchange, contact **Alex** at **hist.undergrad@queensu.ca** or **book a virtual or in-person appointment**.

UNDERGRADUATE CHAIR

The Undergraduate Chair is the faculty member who oversees the undergraduate program and provides guidance to History students. To contact the Undergraduate Chair, please email **hist.undergrad@queensu.ca**.

QUICK TIP: Looking for information? Visit the Department of History website, follow us on Instagram **@queensuhistory**, or email the Undergraduate Assistant

The Department of History website has information on courses, careers, academic resources, awards, degree plans, FAQs, and every issue of the Undergraduate Bulletin. Still have questions? Email **hist.undergrad@queensu.ca**

