History | Major

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS IN BRIEF

The Alvernia University History Department seeks to combine a strong substantive background in history with a detailed conceptual understanding of historical processes. The department emphasizes the development of written, oral, and research skills throughout a student's career at Alvernia.

The history curriculum covers a broad range of issues. Students receive basic and advanced instruction in a wide variety of U.S. and European history courses. In addition, the department regularly offers courses covering such subjects as Africa, Latin America, Women's History, and Military History.

ACADEMIC QUALITY

The History Department faculty serve as mentors to students throughout their tenure at Alvernia. They regularly present at national and international conferences and maintain rigorous research schedules in addition to their commitment to teaching.

CAREER SUCCESS

The department also assists students in preparing for future careers through an active internship program. Alvernia History graduates have served on the staff of U.S. Senator Arlen Specter, at the Department of Defense, and in a variety of public agencies, private corporations, and not-for-profit groups in Pennsylvania. Although graduates may progress into the traditional occupations of historians—teachers, professors, attorneys, archivists, and librarians—a significant number of today's history graduates find that both public and private organizations place a premium on the reading, writing, and research skills developed by history majors. The department also offers strong preparation for graduate schools, with recent graduates going on to law, master's, and Ph.D programs at institutions such as Carnegie Mellon and Penn State University.

ADDITIONAL CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Community Relations Director
Congressional Aide
Demographer
Genealogist
Journalist

Historian
Historic Preservation Specialist
Lobbyist
Museum Curator
Public Relations Executive

CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

Bachelor Degree Requirements (39 Credits)

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| HIS 101  | Western Civilization: Antiquity to Renaissance | -OR-
| HIS 102  | Western Civilization: Reformation to the Cold War |
| HIS 112  | The Study of American History               |
| HIS 240  | Third World History                         |
| HIS 420  | World History Since 1918                    |
| HIS 426  | Research Seminar                            |
| HIS 493  | Contemporary Historiography                 |
| Choose one of the following:               |
| HIS 300  | Colonial America                            |
| HIS 308  | American Revolution and Constitution        |
CURRICULUM OVERVIEW (continued)

Choose one of the following:
HIS 307 Greco-Roman Civilization
HIS 319 Late Antiquity and Early Medieval
Choose one of the following:
HIS 323 High and Late Middle Ages
HIS 337 Early Modern Europe
Choose one of the following:
HIS 349 The Age of Revolution (1610-1815)
HIS 353 The European Century (1763-1914)
Choose one of the following:
HIS 322 Early National and Jeffersonian America
HIS 334 Jacksonian and Ante-Bellum America
HIS 344 The Era of the Civil War
Choose one of the following:
HIS 352 America's Industrial Revolution and the Age of Reform
HIS 364 America's Trial: The Depression through the Korean War
Choose one additional History elective

Minor Degree Requirements (18 Credits)

HIS 101 Western Civilization: Antiquity to Renaissance    -OR-
HIS 102 Western Civilization: Reformation to the Cold War
HIS 112 The Study of American History
HIS 426 Research Seminar
Nine other History credits, six of which must be at the 300 or 400 level.

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