

HISTORY (PH.D.)

Important: This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2022 through summer 2023. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

Code	Title	Hours
Research Competencies ¹		
	Research Competency/Languages	
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¹ Demonstration of research competencies in appropriate areas (language proficiency, statistics, digital humanities, etc.) as approved by the graduate program director. Students completing dissertations on topics where English is not the first language must demonstrate language proficiency

Code	Title	Hours
Historiography/Interpretation Courses		
HIST 501	Historical Methods	3
HIST 502	Historiography	3
HIST 711	Development of Western Freedoms	3
HIST 901	Doctoral Historical Research	3
HIUS 530	American Christian Heritage	3
HIUS 713	American Entrepreneurship Since 1900	3
Total Hours		18

Code	Title	Hours
Professional Studies Courses		
HIST 701	Historical Professions	3
HIST 820	Teaching History	3
	<i>Choose one of the following:</i>	3
HIST 705	Local History Research	
HIST 706	Digital History	
HIST 799	Internship	
Total Hours		9

Code	Title	Hours
History Specialization ¹		
	History Elective ²	3
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Total Hours		9

¹ Student may not apply more than 15 total credit hours of 500-600 level coursework to the History Specialization and External Field or History Elective sections.

² Choose a 500-900 level course from one of the following disciplines: HIUS, HIEU, HIST, or HIWD

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External Field or History Elective Courses ¹		
	Elective	3
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	Elective	3
Total Hours		9

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Code	Title	Hours
Comprehensive Reading Courses ^{1,2}		
HIUS 911	Comprehensive Examination and Readings in Early America	3
HIUS 912	Comprehensive Examination and Readings in Modern America	3
HIEU 913	Comprehensive Examination and Readings in Early Modern Europe	3
HIEU 914	Comprehensive Examination and Readings in Modern Europe	3
Total Hours		12

¹ Other Comprehensive Readings courses may be substituted with approval of the History Graduate Program Director

² No Comprehensive Examination & Reading Course may be taken more than twice

Code	Title	Hours
Dissertation Courses		
HIST 987	Dissertation Research I	5
HIST 988	Dissertation Research II	5
HIST 989	Dissertation Research III	5
HIST 990	Dissertation Defense	0
Total Hours		15

All applicable prerequisites must be met

Graduation Requirements

- Complete 72 hours
- A maximum of 50% of a post-graduate and doctoral degree may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level
- 3.0 GPA
- No grades lower than a B- may be applied to the degree
- Degree must be completed within 7 years
- Submission of Degree Completion Graduation Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

Program Offered in Online Format