

# HISTORY (HIS) - ROCK COUNTY

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## Courses

### **HIS 100 First Year Seminar in History: Selected Topics 3 Units**

In this seminar style course designed for first Sem. freshmen, students will learn about a historical topic in depth & from different angles while also focusing on critical thinking, analysis of various types of sources, historical interpretation, & debates among historians. Students will also be introduced to college level expectations & study habits.

### **HIS 101 History of the United States: From the Era of the Columbian Exchange to the Era of the Civil War 3 Units**

A Surv. of American political, economic, social, & intellectual history from the Age of European Exploration & the period of colonization to the era of the American Civil War. As an Ethnic Studies (ES) course, this course thoroughly integrates the experiences of African Americans, Native Americans, Hispanics, &/or Asian Americans into US history in a manner that fosters understanding & appreciation of the perspectives & experiences of at least two of these groups as well as their contributions to, & interactions within, American society.

### **HIS 102 History of the United States: From the Era of the Civil War to the Present 3 Units**

A Surv. of American political, economic, social, & intellectual history from the era of the Civil War to the Present. As an Ethnic Studies (ES) course, this course thoroughly integrates the experiences of African Americans, Native Americans, Hispanics, &/or Asian Americans into US history in a manner that fosters understanding & appreciation of the perspectives & experiences of at least two of these groups as well as their contributions to, & interactions within, American society

### **HIS 105 History of Western Civilization from Ancient Times to the Era of the Renaissance 3-4 Units**

Surv. of West Civilization from ancient times through the Renaissance, emphasizing the distinctive features of West culture, political development, economic development, & the contributions made by non-West people.

### **HIS 106 History of Western Civilization from the Era of the Renaissance to Contemporary Times 3-4 Units**

Surv. of West Civilization from the Renaissance to contemporary times, emphasizing the further development of West culture, political institutions, & economic institutions, including reference to the interaction among the peoples of the modern world.

### **HIS 111 Ancient Hist 3 Units**

Surv. of the history of civilization from the beginnings in Mesopotamia & Egypt through Classical Greece with emphasis on institutional & social development.

### **HIS 112 Ancient Hist 3 Units**

Surv. of the history of civilization from Alexander the Great through the fall of the Roman Empire with emphasis on institutional & social development.

### **HIS 119 The Making of Modern Europe 3 Units**

An Intro to the principal developments in the history of Europe from the Renaissance to the fall of Napoleon

### **HIS 120 Europe and the Modern World, 1815 to the Present 3 Units**

A general Surv. of the political, economic, social, & cultural history of modern West civilization

### **HIS 127 The World in the Twentieth Century 3 Units**

Surv. of the major trends in Europe, Asia, Africa, & the Americas since 1900; the two world wars; the social & political revolutions of our time; Fascism & Communism; & the new states of Africa & Asia.

### **HIS 161 World History to 1500 3-4 Units**

A topical approach to the history of premodern humankind. Special attention will be given to the emergence, development, & interaction of civilizations in Asia, Africa, Europe, & the Americas

### **HIS 162 World History Since 1500 3-4 Units**

A topical history of global humankind with emphasis on the rise of the West to world dominance & the various ways in which the peoples of Africa, Asia, & Latin America have responded to the West challenge.

### **HIS 204 Introduction to Public History 3 Units**

An Intro to the field of public history with topics for classroom discussion including the concept of public memory, historic preservation theory & practice, creation of museum exhibits, & career opportunities in the field of history outside of education. Students will apply knowledge gained from the course to evaluate historic exhibits & gain field work by undertaking their own exhibit, archival or preservation Proj..

### **HIS 208 The Film as Social History 3 Units**

This course will focus on the feature & documentary films produced in a particular historical period or on a specific historical topic. Through viewing selected films, the student will gain a deeper understanding of the motion picture's significance as an historical document, as well as its function as a propaganda device. The course will relate the thematic content of the selected films to the specific historical context in which they were produced & consumed.

### **HIS 210 Work and Workers in US History 3 Units**

This course examines changes in work methods, culture & experiences of working people in US history from colonial days through the present. Topics include: indentured servitude & free labor in colonial America, slavery in the antebellum US, industrialization, the rise & fall of unions, the role of workers in the two World Wars, & the technological & service industries of the late 20th & early 21st centuries. As an Ethnic Studies (ES) course, this course thoroughly integrates the experiences of African Americans, Native Americans, & Hispanics into US labor history in a manner that fosters understanding & appreciation of the perspectives & experiences of these groups as well as their contributions to, & interactions within, America's wider labor history.

### **HIS 211 History of the American Frontier 3 Units**

A history of the American frontier emphasizing the influence & role of the frontier in the development of American society from the colonial period to the present, focusing on the creation of & disputes over what became the Trans-Mississippi West. As an Ethnic Studies (ES) course, this course examines the frontier as a borderland where African Americans, Native Americans, Hispanics, Asian Americans & Euro-Americans met & interacted. It will foster an understanding & appreciation of the perspectives of each group.

### **HIS 213 Recent Latin America 3 Units**

Recent development of Hispanic & Portuguese America, emphasizing the evolution of Indp. states

### **HIS 214 Modern Revolutions 3 Units**

An Intro to the study of history through the examination of revolutionary eras. Case studies may include but are not limited to the following options: the American, French, Russian, Chinese, Cuban, & Iranian revolutions, & the Revolutions of 1848 & 1989.

**HIS 215 Medieval Europe 3 Units**

General Intro to the history of Europe, from the later Roman Empire to the end of the Middle Ages

**HIS 216 Modern Germany 1815 - Present 3 Units**

Political, social, economic, & cultural development from the end of the Napoleonic wars, through the founding of the German Empire, World War I, the Weimar Republic, the Nazi era, World War II, & the postwar period. Emphasis is on evolution of conservatism, liberalism, socialism, & nationalism; the rise of Hitler & National Socialism; & the re-orientation of Germany after 1945

**HIS 218 The United States and Vietnam 3 Units**

An investigation of the war in Southeast Asia, 1945-1975, focusing on these topics: Southeast Asian historical context, French colonialism, Southeast Asian cultural & political contexts, Vietnamese nationalism, the role of the Cold War, American involvement, the debate on American policy, experiences of US soldiers & South East Asian participants, American withdrawal, conclusion of the fighting, & long-term effects in the U.S., in South East Asia & globally

**HIS 219 History of Modern Russia 3 Units**

A consideration of the major themes & personalities of Russian history since 1917.

**HIS 221 The First World War 3 Units**

This course examines the causes, course & consequences of the First World War. Major topics include: the origins of the war, the reasons for the failure of early military plans & the onset of trench warfare; the dawn of total war; the reasons for the eventual Allied victory; the peace negotiations & consequences of the war in not only Europe but in the Middle East, Africa, & Asia as well.

**HIS 222 Recent Chinese History 3 Units**

This course examines major events, personalities, & trends in twentieth-century China. Among the topics examined are the end of the Qing dynasty, the 1911 revolution, the Japanese occupation, the civil war, the Great Leap Forward, the Cultural Revolution, post-Mao China, & economic, Env.al, political, & demographic challenges facing contemporary China.

**HIS 223 English History: England to 1688 3 Units**

General Surv. of the political, economic, social, & cultural history of Engl& from earliest historic times.

**HIS 224 British History: 1688 to the Present 3 Units**

General Surv. of the political, economic, social, & cultural history of Great Britain

**HIS 226 Twentieth Century Europe 3 Units**

Study of the major political, social, & cultural developments of Europe since 1900

**HIS 240 Primary Sources in History 3 Units**

The study of specific historical topics through the use of primary sources. Includes exposure to techniques & problems of using & interpreting original sources.

**HIS 250 History of the Family 3 Units**

The pre-industrial family; the effect of industrialism, childrearing, courtship, adolescence, domestic life, old age, death, & dying. Emphasis on American &/or European experience.

**HIS 253 History of Paris 3 Units**

This course will focus on the history of Paris, France from 1700 to the present. Drawing upon a variety of historical, literary & artistic sources, the history of French civilization will be explored, with special emphasis on politics, Eco., social & artistic movements

**HIS 254 American Foreign Relations, 1763 to the Present 3 Units**

America's interactions with the world, emphasizing the global & domestic economic, political & ideological elements influencing policy.

**HIS 255 Proseminar in History 3 Units**

This course will explore a historical topic through readings, discussion, & written assignments

**HIS 256 Topics in History 1 Units**

This course will explore in depth an historical topic through lectures, discussions, readings, & written assignments

**HIS 257 Origins and History of World War II 3 Units**

Background & history of World War I. Problems of peacemaking & international organization, rise of Fascism, National Socialism, & Japanese imperialism; breaking the peace; World War II.

**HIS 258 The Holocaust: Politics of Peace, Nationalism, and War 3 Units**

This class presents students with the historical background & current scholarly debate about the best documented genocide in recent history. A combination of race based thinking, radical nationalism & brutality occasioned by war opened the door for the Nazi Party to lead Germans & other Europeans in a systematic campaign to eliminate the Jews. Students will explore a variety of sources produced during & after the period, including films, posters & Lit.. Raised will be questions about the limits of obedience to authority, what constitutes race or ethnic differences, & ultimately whether or not guilt for related crimes can ever be forgiven.

**HIS 260 Rise and Fall of Nazi Germany 1919-1949 3 Units**

This class will begin with the emergence of radical nationalism in Germany after its defeat in WW I along with the failures of parliamentary democracy in the Weimar republic. The course will focus on the political & cultural fears that enabled Hitler's rise to power, the economic & racial policies pursued by the government during its first six years in power, & then the provocation of world war. Additionally, the class will deal with post-war defeat, & in the division of Germany into separate nations.

**HIS 261 Crime and Punishment in Europe and America Since 1500 3 Units**

The history of crime & punishment in Europe & America since 1500. Emphasis on social context of the legislative creation of new crimes, the origin of prisons, changes in the types of crime committed as urbanization & industrialization advance, the evolution of the criminal justice systems in Europe & America, & the comparison & interpretation of differential crime rates in Europe & America.

**HIS 262 Sources of Racist Thinking in Western Civilization and its Impacts on the World of the Americas 3 Units**

Starting with Columbus, explores the myths & ideas establishing racist thinking in the societies Europeans set up in the Americas & the U.S.. As an Ethnic Studies (ES) course, this course thoroughly integrates the experiences of African Americans, Native Americans, & Asian Americans into US history in a manner that fosters understanding & appreciation of the perspectives & experiences of these groups & their interactions within American society.

**HIS 270 American Business History 3 Units**

The role of business in American society from colonial times to the present. Changes in managerial practices within the firm & in relation to the larger community. Origins of American capitalism, appearance of corporate organization, work patterns, changing business ethics & their legal Env., government regulation, & international trade.

**HIS 271 History of Science and Technology 3 Units**

This course Surv.s American &/or West scientific thought from its origins to the present. It also focuses on how scientific thought becomes translated to everyday life through technology. It also examines how Sci. & technology affects government, Eco., & culture. Emphasis on American &/or West Sci. & technology.

**HIS 272 History and Culture of the Sciences 3 Units**

This course will examine, in a historical context, how Sci. has been constructed & how it has interacted with other aspects of society, such as politics, religion, culture, & Eco.. These themes will be addressed by closely studying two transformations in scientific & human thought: first, the shift from an Earth-centered to a sun-centered Univ., & second, the development of the theory of Evolution by natural selection. Finally, we will briefly consider the emergence of new major scientific & cultural transitions which are now occurring

**HIS 273 History of Religion in the United States 3 Units**

This course examines the history of religion in the U.S. from the colonial era to the present, with special emphasis on how religious freedom & a diversity of religious beliefs have affected American society. The course will include discussions of various Christian denominations & sects, non-Christian religions (e.g., Judaism & Islam), Native American religions, & slave religion.

**HIS 275 The Modern Middle East 3 Units**

This course will familiarize students with the major contours of Middle Eastern history from the times of Muhammad, during the seventh century C.E., to the present, with special emphasis on the twentieth century. We will treat issues of politics, Eco., diplomacy, war, & social, cultural, & intellectual change & continuity, placing particular importance on developing an underst&ing of nationalism & Islam in the modern Middle East.

**HIS 277 Indians in American History 3 Units**

This course Surv.s U.S. history with emphasis on contact in the age of exploration, interactions over time between Europeans & Native Americans, & adaptations & conflicts that emerged. The course will approach this from social, political, & economic perspectives from the colonial period to the present. This Ethnic Studies (ES) course focuses on underst&ing the perspectives of Native Americans.

**HIS 278 History of Minorities in America 3 Units**

This course will explore the role of racial minorities including African Americans, Native Americans, Hispanics, & Asian Americans. As an Ethnic Studies (ES) course, this course thoroughly integrates the experiences of these groups into US history in a manner that fosters underst&ing & appreciation of their perspectives & experiences as well as their contributions to, & interactions within, American society. Many instructors also explore the experiences of ethnic, religious, & sexual minorities, or other traditionally underrepresented group

**HIS 279 Women in American History 3 Units**

(HIS 279 & GSW 280 are the same course.) This course will focus on the struggle by women to acquire social equity & access to equal opportunity & political rights from the colonial times to the present. Students will learn about key figures in the areas of social reform, the right to vote, & fight against job discrimination while exploring the larger historical context in which these leaders operated.

**HIS 280 History of the Great Lakes Region, 1600-1870 3 Units**

This course traces the development of the Great Lakes Region as a distinct physiographic, economic, political, & cultural area in North America. The historical development of such an international region within the context of traditional nationalism & international rivalry, as well as its impact & influence with in the respective nations. A frame of reference is provided for comparison with other regions with in the North American milieu.

**HIS 283 War and American Society 3 Units**

An investigation of the impact of wars on American society. Wars from the earliest European settlement through the wars of the early 21st century may be included. The home front will be emphasized, with attention to wartime politics & economy, civil liberties, the experience of non-combatants, & the larger social effects of war.

**HIS 285 Recent American History, 1917-1945 3 Units**

Political, social, economic, & cultural changes in America during World War I, the Twenties, the Great Depression, & World War II.

**HIS 286 Recent American History, 1945-Present 3 Units**

Exploration of important developments in American political, economic, social, cultural & intellectual history from 1945 to the present

**HIS 288 Representative Americans 3 Units**

A biographical approach; evaluation of contributions of leading Americans to the nation's development.

**HIS 289 Colonial and Revolutionary America, 1607-1789 3 Units**

The establishment & political, social, & economic development of the English colonies in North America; origins & consequences of the American Revolution; & the establishment of the new nation.

**HIS 290 History of Wisconsin 3 Units**

History of Wisconsin from the beginning of the historical period to the present, with emphasis on the economic & social aspects of Wisconsin history since 1815.

**HIS 294 Internship in Public History 1-3 Units**

An individually arranged internship in an area museum, historic site, public agency, preservation Proj., or other cultural organizations for students to gain practical experience as public historians. The internship is intended for advanced students with prior history coursework. Students will work under the supervision of a faculty member & receive credit based on hours employed & completion of a final report summarizing how their experiences reflect classroom learning & how they will apply their experience in future work. Repeatable for a maximum of 6 credits.

PREREQ: HES 204 OR CONS. INSTR

**HIS 297 The United States, 1917 to the Present 3 Units**

Political, social, economic, & cultural changes in America from 1917 to the Present

**HIS 298 Civil War and Reconstruction 3 Units**

Analysis of slavery in the Old South, the anti-slavery movement, the conflict between the North & South (sectionalism), the significance of the Civil War, presidential & congressional reconstruction, the position of the freedmen in the South & postwar America.

**HIS 299 Independent Studies 1-3 Units**

Extensive reading for the purpose of Surv.ing the Lit. on a particular historical subject, possibly including a research Proj., under the personal supervision of the instructor. The subject matter is open, to be determined by the student & instructor. Students will be encouraged to use off-campus resources when available.

PREREQ: CONSENT OF INSTRUCTOR

**HIS 304 (U)Introduction to Public History 3 Units**

An Intro to the field of public history with topics for classroom discussion including the concept of public memory, historic preservation theory & practice, creation of museum exhibits, & career opportunities in the field of history outside of education. Students will apply knowledge gained from the course to evaluate historic exhibits & gain field work by undertaking their own exhibit, archival or preservation Proj..

PREREQ: PREVIOUS HIS COURSE AND JUNIOR STANDING OR CONSENT OF INSTRUCTOR