

PRE-LAW CONCENTRATION, HISTORY (BA)

Course Requirements

Lower Division Courses

Students must take five courses at the 100- or 200-level. Note that the 200-level courses are not more difficult than the 100. The 100-level indicates that the course examines global history or large regions of the world. The 200-level indicates that the course has a narrower national or thematic focus. Note: HON 102 may be counted toward this lower division requirement.

Core

Course	Title	Quarter Hours
HST 298	INTRODUCTION TO HISTORICAL SOURCES AND METHODS ¹	4
HST 299	CRAFT OF HISTORY	4
HST 390	CAPSTONE IN HISTORICAL RESEARCH AND WRITING	4

¹ Important Note: Students must complete WRD 103 and WRD 104 or HON 101 prior to enrolling in HST 298. For all concentrations, HON 102 may be counted toward lower division requirements.

History majors should take HST 298 at the beginning of their sophomore year, after they have completed two or three of their lower-division courses as well as WRD 103 and WRD 104. Transfer students should plan on registering for HST 298 as soon as possible.

Upper Division Courses

Once they have completed HST 298, students take six HST courses at the 300 level. One of the 300 level classes must be a gateway course linked to HST 390. Note that HST 390 counts as a capstone and not as one of the six 300 level HST courses. For those in the pre-law concentration, four of those six 300-level classes must be the following:

Course	Title	Quarter Hours
Select two of the following:		8
HST 329	SPECIAL TOPICS IN HISTORY (Race, Gender and the Law)	
HST 343	CRIME AND PUNISHMENT	
HST 388	THE COURT AND THE U.S. BILL OF RIGHTS	
Select two of the following:		8
HST 312	LATINOS IN THE UNITED STATES	
HST 328	ENGLISH CONSTITUTIONAL HISTORY	
HST 331	THE NATION AND NATIONALISM IN EUROPE	
HST 332	FRENCH REVOLUTION AND NAPOLEON	
HST 335	THE AGE OF ENLIGHTENMENT IN EUROPE	
HST 342	TOPICS IN AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY	
HST 371	THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION	
HST 375	THE GREAT DEPRESSION AND THE NEW DEAL ERA	

HST 376	THE UNITED STATES SINCE 1940
HST 379	RECONSTRUCTION AND THE RISE OF JIM CROW
HST 385	UNITED STATES CONSTITUTIONAL HISTORY TO 1865
HST 386	UNITED STATES CONSTITUTIONAL HISTORY SINCE 1865

Any 300-level HST Topics course with a relevant topic

History majors cap off their studies with HST 390 a course in deep and sustained historical research and writing. To prepare for this capstone, one of the six 300-level HST classes must be part of a two-quarter linked sequence (called the “gateway course”). Students are strongly encouraged to take this sequence either in their junior or senior year bearing in mind that the gateway HST 390s are reliably offered only in Autumn-Winter and Winter-Spring. Not all 300-level HST courses are gateways to the HST 390 capstone, so students should refer to the History Department web page and postings in SAC 420 for applicable offerings. HST 299 is a prerequisite for HST 390.

Additional Course

Students will take one additional HST course in either the lower or upper division.

Open Electives

Open elective credit is also required to meet the minimum graduation requirement of 192 hours.