

HISTORY JOINT HONOURS COMPONENT (B.A.) (36 CREDITS)

Offered by: History and Classical Studies (Faculty of Arts)

Degree: Bachelor of Arts; Bachelor of Arts and Science

Program credit weight: 36

Program Description

Students wishing to study at the Honours level in two disciplines can combine Joint Honours program components in any two Arts disciplines. The Joint Honours Component History is a flexible program that emphasizes breadth, depth as well as historical methods and research.

Students wishing to complete the Joint Honours History Component should consult a Program Adviser at the beginning of their first year to map out a course of study, and fill out a departmental program advising/audit form. For more information, visit the program's website: <http://www.mcgill.ca/history/undergraduate>. Students must also fulfill program requirements in the second honours component and should consult an adviser in that program.

Important note: Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate credits may not be included in the overall credit requirement for history programs.

Degree Requirements — B.A. students

To be eligible for a B.A. degree, a student must fulfil all Faculty and program requirements as indicated in Degree Requirements for the Faculty of Arts.

We recommend that students consult an Arts OASIS advisor for degree planning.

Degree Requirements — B.A. & Sc. students

This program is offered as part of a Bachelor of Arts & Science (B.A. & Sc.) degree.

To graduate, students must satisfy both their program requirements and their degree requirements.

- The program requirements (i.e., the specific courses that make up this program) are listed under the Course Tab (above).
- The degree requirements—including the mandatory Foundation program, appropriate degree structure, and any additional components—are outlined on the Degree Requirements page.

Students are responsible for ensuring that this program fits within the overall structure of their degree and that all degree requirements are met. Consult the Degree Planning Guide on the SOUSA website for additional guidance.

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Required Course (3 credits)

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Course	Title	Credits
HIST 399	History and Historiography.	3

Complementary Courses (33 credits)

33 credits of HIST courses or cognate courses (see list below) according to the following requirements.

Distribution requirement:

- 3 credits from Group A
- 3 credits from Group B
- 3 credits from Group C

Note: Cognate courses (see below) may not be used to satisfy the Distribution requirement.

Temporal Breadth requirement:

- At least 3 credits focused on the period before 1800
- At least 3 credits focused on the period after 1800

Notes: The same course may be used to satisfy both a Distribution and Temporal Breadth requirement. HIST 299 The Historian's Craft, and HIST 399 History and Historiography, may not be used to satisfy Temporal Breadth requirements.

Level requirement:

- Minimum 6 credits of honours seminars (500-level D1/D2 courses)
- Minimum 3 additional credits of 400- or 500-level HIST courses.
- Maximum 12 credits complementary courses at 200-level.

GPA requirements:

- 3.30 in program courses
- 3.0 (B) or higher in each program course
- CGPA 3.0 or higher

Group A

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Course	Title	Credits
HIST 202	Survey: Canada to 1867.	3
HIST 203	Survey: Canada since 1867.	3
HIST 211	American History to 1865.	3
HIST 212	Medieval Europe.	3
HIST 214	Early Modern Europe.	3
HIST 215	Modern Europe.	3
HIST 216	Introduction to Russian History.	3
HIST 221	United States since 1865.	3

HIST 226	East Central and Southeastern Europe in 20th Century.	3
HIST 250	Making Great Britain and Ireland.	3

Group B

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Course	Title	Credits
HIST 200	Introduction to African History.	3
HIST 201	Modern African History.	3
HIST 205	Ancient Mediterranean History.	3
HIST 206	Indian Ocean World History.	3
HIST 208	Introduction to East Asian History.	3
HIST 209	Introduction to South Asian History.	3
HIST 210	Introduction to Latin American History .	3
HIST 218	Modern East Asian History.	3
HIST 275	Ancient Roman History.	3

Group C

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Course	Title	Credits
HIST 207	Jewish History: 400 B.C.E. to 1000.	3
HIST 213	World History, 600-2000.	3
HIST 219	Jewish History: 1000 - 2000.	3
HIST 222	History of Pandemics.	3
HIST 223	Indigenous Peoples and Empires.	3
HIST 224	Introduction to the African Diaspora.	3
HIST 238	Histories of Science.	3
HIST 240	Modern History of Islamic Movements.	3
HIST 249	Health and the Healer in Western History.	3
HIST 262	Mediterranean and European Interconnections.	3
HIST 292	History and the Environment.	3
HIST 298	Topics in History.	3
HIST 299	The Historian's Craft.	3

ISLA 350	From Tribe to Dynasty.	3
ISLA 355	Modern History of the Middle East.	3
ISLA 365	Middle East Since the 1970's.	3
ISLA 410	History: Middle-East 1798-1918.	3
ISLA 411	History: Middle-East 1918-1945.	3
ISLA 511	Medieval Islam, 10th-12th Century.	3
ISLA 515	The Medieval School in Islam.	3
ISLA 516	Medieval Islam, 13th-15th Century.	3
JWST 240	The Holocaust.	3
JWST 245	Jewish Life in the Islamic World.	3
JWST 303	The Soviet Jewish Experience.	3
JWST 311	Gender in Jewish History.	3
JWST 312	Modern Jewish History.	3
JWST 334	Jews and Muslims: A Modern History.	3
JWST 348	Modern Jewish Studies.	3
JWST 365	Modern Jewish Ideologies.	3
JWST 366	History of Zionism.	3
JWST 371	Jews and the City.	3
RELG 326	Christians in the Roman World.	3

Notes: 200-level cognate courses count toward the 12-credit limit of 200-level courses allowed for the program.

Cognate Courses (max. 6 credits)

The following non-HIST courses may be counted toward the History joint honours component. Additional courses may be submitted for consideration to the Undergraduate Program Director. Faculty regulations stipulate that a course may not be counted toward more than one program.

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Course	Title	Credits
CLAS 303	Ancient Greek Religion.	3
CLAS 304	Ancient Greek Democracy.	3
CLAS 305	Roman Religion.	3
CLAS 345	Study Tour: Greece.	3
CLAS 406	Greek and Roman Historiography.	3
ISLA 305	Topics in Islamic History.	3
ISLA 315	Ottoman State and Society to 1839.	3