### University Core Requirements:

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*These classes fill both University Core and Program Requirements (21–32 hours overlap)*

### Graduation Requirements:

- Minimum residence hours required: 30.0
- Minimum hours needed to graduate: 120.0

### Suggested Sequence of Courses

#### FRESHMAN YEAR

**1st Semester**
- First-year Writing or American Heritage 3.0
- HIST 200 (FWSpSu) 3.0
- Religion Cornerstone course 2.0
- REL C 261 2.0
- General Education courses, university requirements, and/or general electives 5.0
- **Total Hours**: 15.0

**2nd Semester**
- First-year Writing or American Heritage 3.0
- HIST 217 (F) 3.0
- Religion Cornerstone course 2.0
- REL C 293R 1.0
- General Education courses, university requirements, and/or general electives 6.0
- **Total Hours**: 15.0

Students must complete Hist. 217 with a grade of C or higher in order to continue in the program.

#### SOPHOMORE YEAR

**3rd Semester**
- HIST 220 (FWSpSu) 3.0
- HIST 201 (FWSpSu) 3.0
- HIST 218 3.0
- General Education courses, university requirements, and/or general electives 3.0
- History-elective 3.0
- **Total Hours**: 15.0

HIST 218 should be taken before Hist 280-282, 350-354

**4th Semester**
- HIST 202 (FWSpSu) 3.0
- HIST 280, 281, or 282 3.0
- History methods/skills elective 3.0
- Languages of Learning course 3.0
- General Education courses, university requirements, and/or general electives 3.0
- **Total Hours**: 15.0

**JUNIOR YEAR**

**5th Semester**
- Social/Cultural elective 3.0
- HIST (421-425) handwriting & documents 3.0
- General Education courses, university requirements, and/or general electives 6.0
- **Total Hours**: 15.0

**6th Semester**
- History methods/skills elective 3.0
- History elective 3.0
- General Education courses, university requirements, and/or general electives 9.0
- **Total Hours**: 15.0

#### SENIOR YEAR

**7th Semester**
- HIST 439 (FW) 3.0
- HIST 490 (FWSpSu) 3.0
- General Education courses, university requirements, and/or general electives 9.0
- **Total Hours**: 15.0

**8th Semester**
- HIST 496R (FWSpSu) 3.0
- General Education courses, university requirements, and/or general electives 12.0
- **Total Hours**: 15.0

Your faculty advisor can assist you in choosing electives to meet your total hour requirement.  
**Note:** Students are encouraged to complete an average of 15 credit hours each semester or 30 credit hours each year, which could include spring and/or summer terms. Taking fewer credits substantially increases the cost and the number of semesters to graduate.
REQUIREMENT 1 Complete 1 course

REQUIRE THE FOLLOWING IN FULFILLMENT OF THE UNIVERSITY CORE
FIRST-YEAR WRITING REQUIREMENT. NOTE: WAIVERS BASED ON ADVANCED
PLACEMENT (AP) OR OTHER TEST SCORES DO NOT APPLY TO THIS
REQUIREMENT. STUDENTS WITH AP CREDIT FOR ENGL 115 SHOULD TAKE
WRIT 150.

REQUIREMENT 2 Complete 2 courses

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING IN FULFILLMENT OF THE UNIVERSITY CORE
CIVILIZATION 1 AND 2 REQUIREMENTS:
*HIST 201 - World Civilization to 1500 3.0
*HIST 202 - World Civilization from 1500 3.0

REQUIREMENT 3 Complete 2 courses

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING (HIST 205 MAY BE USED AS PARTIAL
FULFILLMENT OF THE UNIVERSITY CORE RELIGION REQUIREMENT):
HIST 205 - Introduction to Family History Doctrine and Practice 2.0
HIST 206 - Regional and Thematic Studies in Family History 1.0

REQUIREMENT 4 Complete 1 course

NOTE 1: HIST 217 SHOULD BE COMPLETED NO LATER THAN THE
SOPHOMORE YEAR OR IN THE FIRST SEMESTER/TERM AFTER THE MAJOR IS
DECLARED. MAJORS SHOULD CONSULT WITH THE FAMILY HISTORY
COORDINATOR SOON AFTER DECLARING. NOTE 2: STUDENTS MUST
COMPLETE HIST 217 WITH A GRADE OF C OR HIGHER IN ORDER TO SATISFY
THIS REQUIREMENT.
HIST 217 - The Family Historian's Craft 3.0

REQUIREMENT 5 Complete 3 courses

NOTE: HIST 200 AND 218 SHOULD BE COMPLETED NO LATER THAN THE
SOPHOMORE YEAR OR IN THE FIRST SEMESTER/TERM AFTER THE MAJOR IS
DECLARED. HIST 200 AND 490 COMBINED SATISFY THE UNIVERSITY CORE
ADVANCED WRITTEN AND ORAL COMMUNICATIONS REQUIREMENT. HIST 220
MUST BE COMPLETED AS A COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY COURSE AND CANNOT BE
FULFILLED WITH AP OR OTHER TEST SCORES.
HIST 200 - The Historian's Craft 3.0
HIST 218 - The Family and the Law in American History 3.0
HIST 220 - The United States Through 1877 3.0

REQUIREMENT 6 Complete 1 course

HIST 280 - Northern US Family History Research and Methodology 3.0
HIST 281 - Southern US Family History Research and Methodology 3.0
HIST 282 - Colonial US Family History Research and Methodology 3.0

Note: HIST 280, 281, and 282 cannot double count in requirements 6, 7, and 8.

REQUIREMENT 7 Complete 1 course

RESEARCH COURSES:
HIST 280 - Northern US Family History Research and Methodology 3.0
HIST 281 - Southern US Family History Research and Methodology 3.0
HIST 282 - Colonial US Family History Research and Methodology 3.0
HIST 283 - British Family History Research and Methodology 3.0
HIST 284 - German Family History Research and Methodology 3.0
HIST 285 - Scandinavian Family History Research and Methodology 3.0
HIST 286 - Southern European and Latin American Family History Research 3.0
HIST 287 - Slavic Family History Research and Methodology 3.0

Note: Courses cannot double count between Requirements 7 and 8.

REQUIREMENT 8 Complete 2 courses

RESEARCH AND SKILLS COURSES:
HIST 280 - Northern US Family History Research and Methodology 3.0
HIST 281 - Southern US Family History Research and Methodology 3.0
HIST 282 - Colonial US Family History Research and Methodology 3.0
HIST 283 - British Family History Research and Methodology 3.0
HIST 284 - German Family History Research and Methodology 3.0
HIST 285 - Scandinavian Family History Research and Methodology 3.0
HIST 286 - Southern European and Latin American Family History Research 3.0
HIST 287 - Slavic Family History Research and Methodology 3.0
HIST 298 - Digital History 3.0
HIST 396 - Historical Narrative: A Writing Workshop 3.0
HIST 431 - Public History 3.0
HIST 434 - Computers in Family Historical Research and Publication 3.0

Note: Courses cannot double count between Requirements 7 and 8.
Additionally, HIST 298, 396, and 431 cannot double count in requirements 8 and 10.

REQUIREMENT 9 Complete 1 course

HIST 420 - Latin Paleography 3.0
HIST 421 - English Language Paleography 3.0
HIST 422 - German Language Paleography 3.0
HIST 423 - Slavic Languages Paleography 3.0
HIST 424 - Romance Languages Paleography 3.0
HIST 425 - Scandinavian Languages Paleography 3.0

REQUIREMENT 10 Complete 1 course

SOCIAL AND CULTURAL HISTORY COURSES. SEEK FACULTY ADVICE IN
CHOOSING ELECTIVES.
HIST 232 - Introduction to the History of Christianity 3.0
HIST 244 - Jewish History: A.D. 70 to the Present 3.0
HIST 253 - Religion in Colonial Latin America 3.0
HIST 290 - Nature and History: The Earth's Environmental Past 3.0
HIST 292 - Food and History 3.0

HIST 293 - World War II in History and Memory 3.0
HIST 298 - Digital History 3.0
HIST 305 - The Age of Enlightenment 3.0
HIST 310 - European Economic History 3.0
HIST 311 - The History of Film, Radio, and Television 3.0
HIST 312 - History of Ideas 3.0
HIST 313 - Strategy in Peace and War 3.0
HIST 316 - Modern American Warfare Studies 3.0
HIST 317 - Terrorism and Counterterrorism 3.0
HIST 318 - European Women's History 3.0
HIST 319 - The Family in Europe 3.0
HIST 349 - History of Asian Religions and Thought 3.0
HIST 358 - Gender and History in Latin America 3.0
HIST 362 - United States Immigration History 3.0
HIST 366 - Slavery and the Slave Trade in Africa and the Atlantic World 3.0
HIST 368 - Sport, Society, and American Culture 3.0
HIST 369 - History of Travel and Tourism 3.0
HIST 377 - Growing Up in America: A History of Childhood and Youth 3.0
HIST 378 - History of American Families 3.0
HIST 379 - U.S. Religious History to 1860 3.0
HIST 380 - U.S. Religious History since 1860 3.0
HIST 384 - United States Women's History 3.0
HIST 389 - Mormonism Among Christian Theologies: A Comparative History 3.0
HIST 396 - Historical Narrative: A Writing Workshop 3.0
HIST 431 - Public History 3.0
HIST 487 - Philosophies of History 3.0

REQUIREMENT 11 Complete 1 course

COMPLETE ONE COURSE FROM LIST OF HISTORY COURSES THAT (1) DOES
NOT APPEAR ABOVE AND (2) RELATES TO YOUR SELECTED GEOGRAPHICAL
AREA OF EMPHASIS. SEEK FACULTY ADVICE IN CHOOSING ELECTIVES.
HIST 231 - Introduction to East Asian History 3.0
HIST 238 - Ancient Near East to 330 BC 3.0
HIST 239 - Ancient Near East, 330 BC - 640 AD 3.0
HIST 240 - Middle East History to 1800 3.0
HIST 241 - Middle East History from 1800 3.0
HIST 247 - (Hist-CICv 304) Greek History 3.0
HIST 248 - (Hist-CICv 307) Roman History 3.0
HIST 250 - Europe 1500 to the Present 3.0
HIST 251 - Conquest and Colonization of Latin America 3.0
HIST 252 - Modern Latin America 3.0
HIST 253 - Religion in Colonial Latin America 3.0
## THE DISCIPLINE:

History stands at the heart of a liberal arts bridge between the humanities and social sciences. Historical understanding is thus basic to the life of an educated human being. As such, it is the ideal major for the student who wants the broad educational background for entrance into professions such as law, government service, or business, or who wants a liberal arts education. History can also be valuable training for someone who plans to teach. In addition, the family history/genealogy major offers intensive training and prepares students for a variety of professions and community service. The combination of evidence analysis, technology, and paleography skills makes family history/genealogy a gateway discipline for multiple historical, genealogical, archival, library, and research professions.

## RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES:

Some students find opportunities to work as Teaching or Research Assistants for various faculty members up to 20 hours per week. Many family history majors are employed at the Center for Family History and Genealogy or the Religion 216 Lab. The Center offers hands-on genealogical research training in the construction and maintenance of its databases. The Religion 261 Lab provides teaching and administrative opportunities for more advanced students.

## INTERNSHIPS, CO-OP & PRACTICAL ED:

The program requires an Internship in Family History (496R) which provides practical experience in the field of Family History-Genealogy. In addition, employment at the Center for Family History and Genealogy or the Religion 261 Lab offers a variety hands-on teaching and research experiences.

## HONORARY SOCIETIES AND CLUBS:

Students may be eligible for membership in Phi Alpha Theta, the History Honor Society. Contact the History Department for information. Family history students are also encouraged to participate in the BYUSA Family History Club.
FINANCING:
Many students work up to 20 hours per week. Some find employment in campus offices and some junior and senior students obtain teaching or research assistantships. Most of our students obtain summer jobs that make use of their training and interests. The Center for Family History and Genealogy has competitive grant money for family history internships. The History Department and the College of Family, Home, and Social Sciences also have scholarship, prize, and grant money.

CAREERS:
Family history/genealogy is a growing and dynamic field with a variety of professional and volunteer paths. Genealogy is a multi-billion-dollar, international industry with a dizzying array of career opportunities. As graduates from the only BA degree in family history anywhere in the English-speaking world, the combination of liberal arts historical training and technical genealogical skills position students flourish in their careers and influence the direction the industry pursues in coming years.

For more information on careers in your major, please contact the University Career Center or the Liberal Arts Academic Advisement Center.

MAP DISCLAIMER
While every reasonable effort is made to ensure accuracy, there are some student populations that could have exceptions to listed requirements. Please refer to the university catalog and your college advisement center/department for complete guidelines.

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