History, Minor

Students who are interested in the study of history but are majoring in other disciplines may minor in History. The minor incorporates elements of the Department’s program for majors but allows students enough flexibility to pursue programs in other departments and schools.

Upper-division courses range from the examination of individual nation-states (e.g., Chinese history), to studies of the relations among nation-states (e.g., Emergence of the Modern Middle East), to historical analyses of political, socio-economic, and cultural factors (e.g., Women in the United States). Students are also provided the opportunity for small-group learning experiences through colloquia. The colloquia are conducted as discussion groups, involve close reading and analysis of primary and secondary texts, and require writing.

Departmental Requirements

Seven courses are required:

A. Select three lower-division History courses.

B. Select four upper-division History courses.

Residence Requirement for the Minor: All four upper-division History courses must be completed successfully at UCI. By petition, two of the four may be taken through the UC Education Abroad Program, providing course content is approved in advance by the Chair of the History Undergraduate Program Committee.