HISTORY

HIST 0125  RELIGIONS OF THE WEST  3 cr.

Tenets of Judaism, Christianity and Islam.

Prerequisite: None.

HIST 0180  19TH-CENTURY EUROPE  3 cr.

Through textbook and lecture, the students will become familiar with the major political developments that took place in Europe between the French revolution and World War 1. Original source material will be used to acquaint the students with social roles and attitudes during the period.

Prerequisite: Sophomore.

HIST 0500  COLONIAL LATIN AMERICA  3 cr.

History of Latin America during the period of Spanish and Portuguese colonial rule, from 1500 to 1825.

Prerequisite: None.

HIST 0501  MODERN LATIN AMERICA  3 cr.

History of the Latin American republics from independence, in 1825, to the present.

Prerequisite: None.

HIST 0505  UPG EXCHANGE: HISTORY OF MEXICO  3 cr.

Study abroad office has approved the general agreement of collaboration between Pitt-Greensburg and the Universidad De Guanajuato in which faculty and students will be exchanged.

Note: Department Consent Required.

HIST 0575  HISTORY OF MODERN CENTRAL AMERICA  3 cr.

Covers the history of Central America from conquest to the present day. Emphasis will be on the social and economic development of indigenous peoples, national identity and human rights in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. Also studies the history of the influence of the United States on the region; with stress on the history of social movements, revolution, tenuous peace agreements, globalization and the continuation of social unrest still present in Central America today.

Prerequisite: None.
HIST 0600  THE UNITED STATES TO 1877  3 cr.
Introductory, lower division, course that develops the history of United States from the 1400s through the 1880s.

Prerequisite: None.

HIST 0601  THE UNITED STATES 1865-PRESENT  3 cr.
An introduction to American history from the civil war to the present which emphasizes selected topics on changes in American society and politics as an earlier agrarian society became an industrial-urban one and as the nation took up an ever larger role in world affairs.

Prerequisite: None.

HIST 0640  AMERICAN MILITARY HISTORY  3 cr.
Survey of the American military experience from the early colonial period to the most recent experiences in the Gulf War and Afghanistan. Explores the impact of warfare and military forces in the development of the United States. Emphasis is placed on the context of American warfare and how it has influenced our history and way of life.

Prerequisite: None.

HIST 0710  WORLD HISTORY TO 1500  3 cr.
An introduction to the global history of humanity from its beginnings to about the year 1500, emphasizing common trends across regions and cultures.

Prerequisite: None.

HIST 0711  WORLD HISTORY 1500 TO THE PRESENT  3 cr.
An introduction to the last five centuries of human history: the rise of the western powers, continuity and change elsewhere in the world, and the emergence of modernity.

Prerequisite: None.

HIST 0756  INTRODUCTION TO ISLAMIC CIVILIZATION  3 cr.
A survey of the significance of Islam in world history; its role as a world religion; and its contributions to science, literature and philosophy.

Prerequisite: None.
HIST 0810  ENGLAND SINCE 1689  3 cr.
Surveys the development of English social, political, economic and cultural history to the present.

Prerequisite: None.

HIST 1005  SPECIAL TOPICS  3 cr.
Surveys the development of English social, political, economic and cultural history to the present.

Prerequisite: None.

HIST 1010  HISTORICAL INQUIRY AMD METHODS  3 cr.
Introduces students to the historian’s craft. Students will learn the nature of historical knowledge, how to locate, document, and interpret a diverse array of history evidence, and how to produce a research proposal using primary and secondary sources. Emphasizes history is both a social science and an interpretative art. Accordingly, exposes students to recent interdisciplinary trends in historical methodology and historical schools of thought and debate. The primary aim of this course is to instruct prospective and actual History majors in what it means to think, write, and verbally communicate like a historian.

Prerequisite: None.

HIST 1035  20TH-CENTURY WORLD  3 cr.
A history of the world between the years 1900 and 2000. Takes a broad, global approach to the political, social, and cultural developments that characterize the Twentieth Century. The course covers developments in Asia, Europe, and elsewhere, and emphasizes the ideological systems that motivated many of the great conflicts of the century.

Prerequisite: Sophomore.

HIST 1075  SLAVERY IN THE ATLANTIC WORLD  3 cr.
Examines slavery in the Americas from the Atlantic perspective (including Africa and Europe) from the 15th century through the present, with special emphasis on slave trades, the plantation systems, daily life, slavery and race, resistance, and abolition.

Prerequisite: Junior.
HIST 1087  WORLD WAR 2  3 cr.
Examines the Second World War as a global phenomenon, including the Eastern and Western fronts in Europe, the Sino-Japanese War, and the Pacific War. Covers the origins of conflict in the various theaters, the course of the war, and its consequences. While some attention is given to military strategy, emphasis is also placed on the social and political dimensions of the conflict.

Prerequisite: Sophomore.

HIST 1104  THE CRUSADES  3 cr.
An examination of the crusades from both Christian and Muslim perspectives. Emphasizes crusading in and around the Holy Land, but also gives some attention to crusades within Europe. Considers political, social, and religious contexts in both Latin Europe and the Islamic Middle East.

Prerequisite: Sophomore.

HIST 1123  MODERN BRITAIN  3 cr.
Political, economic, and social change in Britain from the early 18th century to the present are examined in depth. Topics include the pre-industrial social structure, the origins of political stability, the making of the industrial revolution, popular protest and political reform, Britain's supremacy during the Victorian era, imperialism and the rise of labor, the impact of total war, and the emergence of the welfare state. A discussion of Britain's future prospects concludes the course.

Prerequisite: None.

HIST 1140  THE HISTORY AND CULTURE OF SPAIN  3 cr.
Surveys the history and culture of Spain from Roman times to the present. Emphasis will be placed on Spanish geography, the interaction between the different cultures that lived in Spain, as well as, Spanish art, architecture, and literature. The highlights of the course include the rise and fall of the Spanish Empire, the Spanish Civil War, and Spain under Franco, redemocratization, and modern Spain in the 21st century.

Prerequisite: Sophomore.

HIST 1158  BRITISH IMPERIALISM  3 cr.
Covers the last phase of British imperialism during the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. The focus will be on the nature and meaning of the British Empire abroad as well as back home in the motherland. Topics will include new imperialism, the scramble for Africa as well as world war. This course is a complement to the one offered in Sociology on American imperialism.

Prerequisite: None.
The Black Death, the great epidemic of 1347-1350's was the most profound epidemiological-ecological crisis Europe had ever experienced. Between 30 and 70% of the population of the Western world vanished. In the wake of this demographic disaster economic, psychological, social, literary and even artistic processes were profoundly altered. This epidemic can be traced through extensive primary sources ranging from literature to art history - from population statistics through village desertions. This course will introduce these data and examine the consequences of the Black Death.

Prerequisite: None.

Explores the main currents of modern European history through the lives of Europeans of various classes, nationalities, and ethnicities. Covers, among other things, Russian communism, the World Wars, and the Holocaust.

Prerequisites: Sophomore.

Begins with an overview of Brazilian culture and of the country's enormous resource base. Cultural change is traced through the pre-Columbian, colonial, imperial, and republican periods. A major theme throughout is the evolution of a Portuguese heritage into today's distinctive Brazilian national culture. The country is then divided into five regions as a means of understanding its internal diversity. Popular American ideas about subjects like carnival, the Amazon rainforest, coffee, Copacabana beach, and the huge foreign debt are also dealt with.

Prerequisite: Sophomore.

Mexican history from the Aztecs to the present. We will discuss the conquest, the colonial era, the struggle for independence, nineteenth-century liberalism, the Porfírian dictatorship, the twentieth-century revolution, the formation of a single party state, the temptations of socialism, the oil boom, the debt crisis, and the "crisis of the system" now being experienced by Mexico.

Prerequisite: Sophomore.

Discusses the major political, economic, social and ideological developments of the Latin American world from the Independence Wars (1810-1825) to the first decade of the twentieth century. Emphasis will be placed on the similarities and differences among the newly emerging nations as they sought to find individual and recognizable status in the industrialized Western world.

Prerequisite: Sophomore.
HIST 1583  20TH-CENTURY LATIN AMERICAN REVOLUTIONS  3 cr.

A comparative examination of instances of social and political revolution in 20th century Latin American history. Cases considered include the Mexican revolution (1910-1917), the Bolivian revolution (1952), the Cuban revolution (1959), and the Nicaraguan revolution (1979).

Prerequisite: Sophomore.

HIST 1610  UNITED STATES COLONIAL HISTORY  3 cr.

Upper division course that develops the history of the North American English colonies from around 1400 through the early 1760s.

Prerequisite: Sophomore.

HIST 1611  AMERICAN REVOLUTION 1763–1791  3 cr.

Upper division course that considers the history of revolutionary America between the 1750s and the 1790s.

Prerequisite: Sophomore.

HIST 1614  CIVIL WAR HISTORY  3 cr.

Upper division course that considers the impact of the civil war upon the development of the United States.

Prerequisite: None.

HIST 1616  ANTEBELLUM AMERICA: 1790s TO THE WAR WITH MEXICO  3 cr.

This is a course in the history of the United States from the late 1780s through the late 1840s. It will focus on the processes involved in the evolution of the United States from a pre-industrial, relatively traditional society into a more modern, industrializing nation. We will consider topics involving commercial, manufacturing, agricultural and demographic development, changes in gender, social-economic and racial relationships, the creation of partisan politics and an analysis of American expansion.

Prerequisite: Sophomore.

HIST 1620  THE VIETNAM WAR  3 cr.

Designed to acquaint the student with American involvement in Southeast Asia, in particular with the second Indochina war. Some attempt will be made to provide a background of Vietnamese historical and cultural perspective. The major portion of the course will focus on American policy, at home and abroad, and the manner in which five American presidents tried to deal with the "Indochina problem.

Prerequisite: Sophomore.
HIST 1625       HISTORY OF THE AMERICAN FRONTIER       3 cr.
Explores the settlement and development of frontier regions across the continent, emphasizing 19th century experiences. Diverse and distinctive frontier societies emerged from the processes associated with land acquisition, exploration, Indian relations, westward migration, economic development, social organization, governance, and urbanization. The different and conflicting interpretations of the frontier experience raise important questions and perspectives about the character of American society.

Prerequisite: None.

HIST 1715       EMPIRES IN THE MODERN WORLD       3 cr.
Through lecture and discussion, this course reviews empires in world historical context. Themes of governance, economy, war, culture, social organization, and colonies and decolonization are explored in three segments: empires 1400-1800, 1800-2000, and the future of empire.

Prerequisite: None.

HIST 1730       THE MONGOLS       3 cr.
Explores the political and social histories of the Mongol empire and its successor states across Eurasia during the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries and considers their larger world historical context.

Prerequisite: Sophomore.

HIST 1745       SPECIAL TOPICS-STUDY ABROAD       1-3 cr.
The study of special topics related to a study abroad experience.

HIST 1753       THE OTTOMAN EMPIRE (1300-1923)       3 cr.
This course traces the history of the Ottoman Empire from its origins as an obscure band of frontier warriors, to the highpoint of its geopolitical power in the Sixteenth Century, and on to its further evolution as an increasingly complex and peaceful society, down to the opening of the period of European imperialism and nation building. It will address not only the Ottomans' political power, but also those economic, social, and cultural factors that helped explain that power and gave the empire such a distinctive place in the history of Western Europe, Balkans and the Middle East.

Prerequisite: Sophomore.

HIST 1775       ORIGINS OF CHRISTIANITY       3 cr.
An historical investigation of Christian origins against the backdrop of both the Greco-Roman and Jewish worlds.

Prerequisite: None.
HIST 1793  HISTORY OF IRAN  3 cr.

Surveys the long history of Iran, also known as Persia, from ancient times to the present. Covers the Persian empire of antiquity and traces the introduction of foreign cultures over the centuries - Greeks, Arabs, Turks, and Europeans - to create the multifaceted society of modern Iran. Classical culture and religious history are discussed, as are modern political developments in the 20th and 21st centuries.

*Prerequisite: Sophomore.*

HIST 1900  HISTORY INTERNSHIP  1-6 cr.

Enables students to combine academic training and practical work experienced related to the major.

*Note: Instructor Consent Required.*

HIST 1901  INDEPENDENT STUDY  1-9 cr.

Individual project administered under the supervision of a faculty member.

*Note: Department Consent Required.*

HIST 1947  RISE OF THE NATIONAL SECURITY STATE  3 cr.

This course examines the history of the National Security State in the United States, tracing its origins from the early 20th century with a particular focus on the rise and expansion at the federal level after WWII. Areas of focus will also include the increasing use of surveillance in the United States, including those by various federal and state agencies, corporations, organizations, and individuals.

*Prerequisite: Sophomore.*

HIST 1955  HISTORY CAPSTONE  3 cr.

Presumes a basic knowledge of historical information and technique. Utilizing a research seminar format, student will develop a substantial group or individual research project. Following discussion and revision, student will complete this research project. The project will be presented to the seminar in both written and oral form.

*Prerequisite: Junior.*