**plan of study**

This is a sample plan of study with a suggested sequencing of classes for the major. University electives may be applied to earn additional academic majors, minors, or certificates. Students should regularly meet with their academic advisor to plan their specific semester schedule to include UNIFI/General Education program and/or university elective hours required.

**FRESHMAN**

**FALL**
- HIST 1110 United States History to the Civil War and Emancipation: 3 hours
- UNIFI/General Education or University Electives: 12 hours
- **Total: 15 hours**

**SPRING**
- HIST 1120 United States History since the Civil War and Emancipation: 3 hours
- UNIFI/General Education or University Electives: 13 hours
- **Total: 16 hours**

**SOPHOMORE**

**FALL**
- HIST 1210 Making the Modern World: 3 hours
- HIST 1010 Introduction to Historical Skills: 3 hours
- HIST 1011 Field Experience: Public History: 1 hour
- TEACHING 2017 Level 1 Field Experience: Exploring Teaching: 1 hour
- EDPSYCH 2030 Dynamics of Human Development: 3 hours
- UNIFI/General Education or University Electives: 5 hours
- **Total: 16 hours**

**SPRING**
- SPED 3150 Meeting the Needs of Diverse Learners in Classrooms: 2 hours
- SOCSCI ED 2190 Introduction to Teaching Social Studies: 1 hour
- LRNTECH 1031 Ed Technology and Design: 3 hours
- History Electives: 3 hours
- UNIFI/General Education or University Electives: 6 hours
- **Total: 15 hours**

**JUNIOR**

**FALL**
- TEACHING 3128 Level 2 Field Experience: Lesson Planning and Instruction: 1 hour
- EDPSYCH 3148 Learning and Motivation in Classroom Contexts: 3 hours
- MEASRES 3150 Classroom Assessment: 2 hours
- History Electives (include the “to 1600” requirement): 6 hours
- UNIFI/General Education or University Electives: 3 hours
- **Total: 15 hours**

**SPRING**
- SOCFOUND 3119 Schools and American Society: 3 hours
- HIST 4000 Senior Seminar in Advanced Historical Skills: 3 hours
- History Electives: 3 hours
- UNIFI/General Education or University Electives: 7 hours
- **Total: 16 hours**

**SENIOR**

**FALL**
- TEACHING 4170/5170 Human Relations: Awareness and Application: 3 hours
- SOCSCI ED 4190 Methods of Teaching Social Studies: 3 hours
- History Electives: 3 hours
- UNIFI/General Education or University Electives: 6 hours
- **Total: 15 hours**

**SPRING**
- TEACHING 3138 Secondary School Teaching: 12 hours
- **Total: 12 hours**

**TOTAL CREDIT HOURS: 120**

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HONOR SOCIETIES, CLUBS & ACTIVITIES

Our department-sponsored student organizations give students the opportunity to connect with each other and with faculty through a shared love of history as well as to participate in a variety of social and professional activities. Both the History Club and Phi Alpha Theta Honor Society are open to students of any major who have an interest in history.

Phi Alpha Theta
Phi Alpha Theta (ΦΑΘ) is an American honor society for undergraduate and graduate students and professors of history. The society has over 400,000 members, with some 9,000 new members joining each year through 970 chapters nationwide.

History Club
The purpose of the History Club is to protect and promote the integrity of the discipline of history, provide a forum for student-led historical debate, and encourage UNI students to interact across disciplines.

Other Activities
Majors can engage with a number of organizations that bring them into contact with students in grades 5-12, teachers, and guidance counselors: National History Day, Iowa High School Model UN, GeoChallenge, after school programs, coaching in local schools and tutoring programs, including service at the UNI Center for Urban Education (UNI-CUE) in Waterloo.

TEACHER PREPARATION

History teaching majors gain practical experience in the classroom by completing Levels I, II and III Field Experiences in area schools and complete their degree with 16 weeks of student teaching, 8 at the junior high level and 8 at the senior high level.

SCHOLARSHIPS

The Department of History at the University of Northern Iowa offers many different scholarship funds for students studying history, including many reserved specifically for history teaching and social science teaching majors.

history content electives

Greek and Roman Life and Culture
Barbarians, Saints, and Pestilence: The Middle Ages
The Legacy of the Samurai: Japan since 1800
Kings, Heretics, Witches & Revolutionaries: England to 1688
Modern European Women’s History
Civil War and Reconstruction
U.S. Environmental History

complementary minors & certificates

TEACHER PREPARATION

History Social Sciences Endorsements Minor
This interdisciplinary minor fulfills the Iowa All-Social Science Endorsement for Grades 5-12 when completed in conjunction with the history teaching major. — 33 credits

History Social Sciences Endorsements Certificate
This interdisciplinary certificate creates a plan of study for students to earn the Iowa Social Sciences Endorsement for Grades 5-12 when completed in conjunction with the history teaching major. It includes 9 hours in American government and 6 hours from one of the following: economics, geography, psychology and sociology. — 15 credits

Special Education Teaching Minor
This minor leads to endorsement in teaching students with disabilities (Instructional Strategist I 5-12 or Instructional Strategist II Intellectual Disabilities K-12). Students must complete student teaching in both the major and the instructional strategist special education minor endorsement area. — 24 credits

OTHER PROGRAMS

Political Science Minor – 18 credits
Psychology Minor – 25 credits
Sociology Minor – 21 credits
Anthropology Minor – 18 credits
Geography Minor – 18 hours
Economics Minor – 18 hours
Study of Religion Minor – 18 credits
Spanish Minor – 21 credits

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