

History and Philosophy, BA

The Department of History and the Department of Philosophy and Religion offer an interdisciplinary combined major in history and philosophy. Students interested in the combined major integrate the study of philosophy and ethics with the study and analysis of human history.

Program Requirements

Complete all courses listed below unless otherwise indicated. Also complete any corequisite labs, recitations, clinicals, or tools courses where specified and complete any additional courses needed beyond specific college and major requirements to satisfy graduation credit requirements.

Universitywide Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the Universitywide Requirements (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/university-wide-requirements/>).

BA Language Requirements

All BA students are required to complete the BA degree language requirements, for a total of 12 semester hours of language study or demonstrated equivalent proficiency, as described in Additional Requirements for BA students (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/nupath/ba-requirements/>). Successful demonstration of proficiency does not reduce total minimum semester hours of study required to earn the BA degree.

NUpath Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the NUpath Requirements (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/nupath/>).

History Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
History Colloquium		
HIST 1000	History at Northeastern	1
HIST 1200	Historical Research and Writing	1
HIST 1201	First-Year Seminar	4
History Seminar and Historical Writing		
HIST 2301	The History Seminar	4
HIST 2302	Historical Writing	1
Pre-1800 History Elective		
Complete one of the following:		4
HIST 1100	Law and History	
HIST 1180	African History	
HIST 1185	Introduction to Middle Eastern History	
HIST 1187	Introduction to Latin American History	
HIST 1218	Pirates, Planters, and Patriots: Making the Americas, 1492–1804	
HIST 1252	Japanese Literature and Culture	
HIST 1272	Europe in the Middle Ages, 500–1500	
HIST 1285	Introduction to Russian Civilization	
HIST 1389	History of Espionage 1: Antiquity to World War II	
HIST 2330	Colonial and Revolutionary America	
HIST 2370	Renaissance to Enlightenment	
HIST 2375	The Tudors, the Stuarts, and the Birth of Modern Britain	
HIST 2390	Africa and the World in Early Times	
HIST 3334	Assassinations in World History	
History Elective		
Complete two courses at any level in any field.		8
Introductory Level Elective		
Complete one course from the 1000 level (excluding HIST 1200 and HIST 1201).		4
Intermediate/Advanced History Cluster		
Complete minimum of one history course numbered 2000 to 2999 (excluding HIST 2301 and HIST 2302).		4
Advanced History Elective		

Complete minimum of one history course numbered 3000 to 4999 (excluding HIST 4701). 4

History Capstone Seminar or Senior Project

HIST 4701	Capstone Seminar	4
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Philosophy Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
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Philosophy Required Courses

PHIL 1115	Introduction to Logic	4
PHIL 2325	Ancient Philosophy and Political Thought	4
or POLS 2325	Ancient Philosophy and Political Thought	
PHIL 2330	Modern Philosophy	4

Advanced Philosophy Electives

Complete three PHIL courses with a designation of 3000 or above not used to satisfy another requirement, at least one of which must be at the 4000 level or above. 12

Critical Philosophy Elective

Take one of the following courses not used to fulfill other requirements: 4

AFAM 1101	Introduction to African American and Africana Studies	
PHIL 1104	Goddesses, Witches, Saints, and Sinners: Women and Religion	
PHIL 1271	Sex in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam	
PHIL 2155	Human Rights	
PHIL 2492	Indigenous Philosophy	
PHIL 2619	Race and Religion in Film	
PHIL 3500	Sexuality, Gender, and the Law	
PHIL 3822	Philosophy of Race and Racism	

Philosophy Electives

Complete two additional PHIL courses not used to satisfy other requirements. 8

Integrative Courses

Code	Title	Hours
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Complete one of the following not used to meet another requirement: 4

HIST 2308	Law, Justice, and Society in Modern China	
PHIL 2395	Japanese Buddhism	

History and Philosophy Combined-Major Credit Requirement

Complete 85 semester hours in the major.

Experiential Liberal Arts

All students in this College of Social Sciences and Humanities program are required to complete the Experiential Liberal Arts Requirement (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/social-sciences-humanities/#ela>).

Program Requirement

128 total semester hours required

Plan of Study

Sample Plan of Study: Four Years, Two Co-ops in Summer 2/Fall

Year 1							
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours
ENGW 1111		4 HIST 1000		1 PHIL elective		4 Vacation	
HIST 1200		1 PHIL 2330		4 Elective		4	
HIST 1201		4 HIST introductory level		4			
PHIL 1115		4 HIST pre-1800 history elective		4			
PHIL 2325 or POLS 2325		4 PHIL intermediate/advanced elective		4			
		17			17		
					8		
						0	

Year 2							
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours
HIST 2301		4 HIST intermediate/ advanced elective		4 PHIL elective		4 Co-op	
HIST 2302		1 HIST intermediate/ advanced elective		4 Elective		4	
ANTH area course		4 PHIL advanced elective		4			
PHIL elective		4 PHIL advanced elective		4			
PHIL elective		4 Elective		1			
		17		17		8	0
Year 3							
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours
Co-op		HIST advanced elective		4 Elective		4 Co-op	
		HIST intermediate/ advanced elective		4 Elective		4	
		PHIL integrative course		4			
		PHIL elective		4			
		0		16		8	0
Year 4							
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours
Co-op		HIST capstone or senior project		4 Elective		4	
		HIST elective or integrative course		4			
		HIST elective or integrative course		4			
		PHIL advanced elective		4			
		0		16		4	
Total Hours: 128							