

History

The history curriculum provides opportunities for students to investigate the social, economic, political, and cultural development of diverse peoples from the beginnings of civilization to the present. The courses in the history curriculum will enable students to gain a deeper understanding of the human condition and the relationship between historical developments and contemporary social and political trends. Emphasis is placed on reading, writing, researching, speaking, and on critical and analytical thinking. Through their course of study, students will acquire the skills necessary to further their liberal arts education and to become thoughtful participatory members of society.

The history major serves as preparation for careers in education, business, journalism, government, and historic preservation as well as entrance into graduate and law school. The history minor provides an opportunity for students to combine an interest in history with one of the institution's other majors.

As a supplement to their classroom experiences, history students will have the opportunity to do independent study, internships, and to avail themselves of travel courses offered during Winter Term and some summer sessions.

Students in this major acquire knowledge that enables them, for example, to: demonstrate their grasp of historical methodology; gain a deeper understanding of the social, economic, political, and cultural development of diverse people; and connect major historical events to our contemporary world.

Career Opportunities

Education, public service, law, library science, journalism, and historic preservation

See the Graduate section (<http://catalog.mtmercy.edu/archives/2014-15/graduateprograms>) of this *Catalog* for more information on Graduate programs offered at Mount Mercy.

Major

HI 140	Hist Of Western World Since 1648	3
HI 114	History of Early America	3
or HI 115	History Of Modern America	
HI 120	Origins Of The Western Tradition	3
or HI 130	Emergence Of The West, 800-1648	
Plus seven additional courses numbered HI 200 or above, one of which must be HI 400.		21
Total Hours		30

All History majors must earn at least a C or above (C- does not count) in HI 400 Seminar In Historical Research. Additionally, all History majors must take HI 400 Seminar In Historical Research at Mount Mercy.

Academic Requirements

Minimum cumulative grade point average of at least 2.00 in courses required for the major.

Minor

Select one of the following:		3
HI 115	History Of Modern America	
HI 120	Origins Of The Western Tradition	
HI 130	Emergence Of The West, 800-1648	
HI 140	Hist Of Western World Since 1648	
Five courses numbered HI 200 or above.		15
Total Hours		18