

# Programs

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## History, B.A.

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### (39 credits)

The Bachelor of Arts in History, under the Department of History and Political Science, is designed to provide students with the necessary perspective and critical thinking capacities so that they can contribute their skills to their communities and help enrich the lives of others. History majors and minors will examine the major intellectual, cultural, socio-political, economic, and artistic achievements of civilizations from the emergence of complex societies to the present age. Our goal is to develop a global perspective by studying different worldviews, social institutions, religions and systems of thought as they evolved in human history.

The major prepares students both for further study and for work in a variety of fields, including teaching, business, civil service, law, journalism, library science, and archival work.

This major meets the Connecticut State Department of Education requirements for those students enrolled in the initial teacher preparation program at Albertus Magnus College and are seeking a middle or secondary level teacher certification with a history/social studies endorsement. Contact the Department of Education and Teacher Preparation for additional information.

Upon completing the program of study in History, students will:

- Demonstrate inquisitiveness and mastery of the principles of scholarly research.
- Communicate effectively both orally and in writing.
- Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the values, beliefs, and ideas that constitute the western political tradition.
- Recognize the complex nature of the political community and the role of social, economic, cultural, and environmental factors in political life.
- Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of American political institutions and processes and be able to compare them with those of other political systems.
- Understand the patterns of interaction among members of the world community and the sources of international cooperation and conflict.
- Be able to evaluate conflicting political arguments, assemble empirical evidence, and make reasoned conclusions from available evidence.

### **MAJOR REQUIREMENTS**

#### **REQUIRED CORE (39 credits)**

HI 111	Western Civilization I
HI 112	Western Civilization II

HI 121	United States History I
HI 122	United States History II
HI 380	Practicum
HI 385	Historiography
HI 391	Senior Research Seminar

Select six (18 credits):

HI 125	
HI 150	Rights, Slavery and Revolution
HI 252	Topics in Historical Study
HI 253	Topics in Historical Study
HI 304	History through Biography
HI 315	Nineteenth-Century Europe
HI 320	History of Colonial America
HI 330	History of Immigration
HI 334	The Sixties: From Kennedy to Vietnam
HI 341	World Revolution in the Twentieth Century
HI 344	African Slavery in the Atlantic World