

## History Major Field

### EUROPE

#### Field Description

The Europe field covers European history from the medieval period to the present, and spans from the islands of Iceland, Britain and Ireland in the West, to Russia in the East. Europe is a region of great cultural, religious, historical and linguistic diversity, and we encourage students to explore this diversity through the range of specialized topics on different themes, time periods, and modern nations. There are four survey classes covering the entire region over various time periods, then at the 200-level, there are courses focusing on specific themes or states. At the seminar level (300- and 400-level) students can dig further into thematic, chronological and national topics. At all levels of coursework, students will study Europe both from an area studies perspective, focusing on specific regional histories and cultures, and from a global perspective, looking at the way European people and states have interacted with the rest of the world. The courses in this field seek to engage and critically examine a number of key issues and themes:

- The social, political, economic, and cultural relationships of and between the peoples and countries of the region and the rest of the world
- The role of race, class, gender, sexuality, and religion in identity formation and their impact on society, culture, and politics
- The impact of migration within, to and from Europe over time
- Urbanization and social changes
- Europe's role in the history of colonialism, and imperialism in the world
- The history of European empires
- The rise of nationalism and modern nation states
- The history of political ideologies and mass politics in Europe
- The history and impact of and the industrialization of European economies
- Regional differences within Europe

Students may choose to focus on a particular geographical region or time period within European history, but there are no specific subfields.

## Courses

HIST 126 – Early Middle Ages  
HIST 127 – Later Middle Ages  
HIST 131 – Early Modern Europe  
HIST 132 – Modern Europe  
HIST 226 – British Empire  
HIST 227 – British History  
HIST 229 – Imperial Russia  
HIST 230 – Renaissance and Reformation  
HIST 231 – Habsburg Empire  
HIST 232 – Modern European Women’s History  
HIST 233 – Russian Empire and Soviet Union  
HIST 235 – Modern France  
HIST 236 – Modern Germany  
HIST 238 – Scientific Revolution and Enlightenment  
HIST 328 – The Crusades  
HIST 329 – Alchemy, Astronomy, and Magic in Early Modern Europe  
HIST 330 – Medieval Travelers and their Tales  
HIST 332 – The First World War  
HIST 333 – Freud’s Vienna  
HIST 334 – Refugees and Migration in Europe  
HIST 335 – Daily Life in Nazi Germany  
HIST 337 – Socialism at the Movies  
HIST 338 – Revolt, Rebellion and Revolution in European History  
HIST 340 – Tudor and Stuart Britain  
HIST 347 – Love and Learning in 12th Century Renaissance  
HIST 371 – Colonial Body Politics  
HIST 428 – French Revolution  
HIST 434 – History of Ireland  
HIST 438 – Medieval Iberia