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Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences Programs

History (BA)

Location Offered:

Nanaimo

Credential:

Bachelor Degree

Options:

Honours, Major, Minor

Program Length:

4 Years

The Program

The study of History is a vital component in the creation of an innovative, humane, prosperous and free civic society in which individuals can participate as active, informed citizens. Throughout their studies, History students read primary and secondary texts designed to impart knowledge and critical understanding of their areas of study, and which expose them to different methodologies, approaches and historical perspectives. Students also explore historical context and different interpretations of texts, thereby further honing their critical thinking skills. Much more than just a dialogue with the past, the study of History enables students to better engage with the present and to prepare for the future.

The History department offers undergraduate course work at two levels: 100/200 (foundational/introductory) and 300/400 (advanced thematic studies). Courses numbered in the 300s and the 400s may be taken for either third or fourth year credit. Students should generally complete 100/200-level courses before undertaking advanced courses in the same area.

Program Outline

Requirements for a Major

Students must fulfill all the Institutional B.A. degree requirements, including Degree English Requirements and courses listed below:

Years 1 and 2: Minimum "C" average in 18 credits of 100- or 200-level History courses. Of these 18 credits, 6 credits must be earned in foundational Canadian courses, the options being: HIST 111, HIST 112, HIST 113, one of HIST 114 or HIST 115, and HIST 116. An additional 6 credits must also be earned in foundational non-Canadian courses, the options being: HIST 101, HIST 102, HIST 119, HIST 120, HIST 121, HIST 122, HIST 131, HIST 132, HIST 140, and HIST 141.

Years 3 and 4: Minimum 30 credits in History courses numbered 300 and above.

Students may take a double Major in History and another subject, as long as they satisfy the degree requirements for both Majors.

Requirements for a Minor

Students must fulfill all the Institutional B.A. degree requirements, including Degree English Requirements and courses listed below:

Years 1 and 2: Minimum 12 credits of History courses at the 100/200-level.

Years 3 and 4: Minimum of 18 credits of History courses numbered 300 or above. Students are encouraged to consult with the department before selecting courses.

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