HSTR - History-World

HSTR 101H. Western Civilization I. 4 Credits. (3 Lec) F,S,Su
Survey of the ancient Near East, Greece, Rome, and the European world through 1600. Emphasis on social, economic, and cultural history.

HSTR 102H. Western Civilization II. 4 Credits. (3 Lec) F,S
This course explores the political, social, and cultural transformation of Europe from the absolute monarchies of the 1600s through the birth of the European Union. Possible topics include overseas trade, revolts, cityscapes, class and gender identities, environmental transformations, and/or the memory of war. Introduces students to historical methods for analyzing primary sources such as architectural plans, maps, paintings, photographs, music, diaries, political treaties, and propaganda films.

HSTR 130D. Latin American History. 4 Credits. (3 Lec, 1 Lab) S
The history of Latin America, and the Caribbean from the Pre-Columbian period to the present, with emphasis focused on the origins and legacies of colonialism and imperialism.

HSTR 135D. The Modern Middle East. 4 Credits. (3 Lec) F
This introductory course examines the Middle East from the early twentieth century until the present day. Beginning with the Ottoman and Safavid empires, this course explores a variety of themes relating to the region and its place in the world.

HSTR 140D. Modern Asia. 4 Credits. (3 Lec) S
Explores the legacies of imperialism, war, and revolution in the rise of modern East Asia, primarily Japan and China.

HSTR 145D. Reinventing Japan. 4 Credits. (3 Lec) F,Su
Explores the political and cultural development of Japan from earliest time to the present. Special attention will be given to Japanese relations with Asia and the West.

HSTR 160D. Modern World History. 4 Credits. (3 Lec) F
Introduction to themes important for understanding the world in the 20th century through an examination of commodities from 1000-present: world systems, global interconnections, identity and difference, the rise of mass society, technology, and the environment.

HSTR 205CS. The World Environment. 3 Credits. (3 Lec)
-- Examines the history, science, and ethics of risk, focusing on the complex relationship of science, technology, and risk in modern age. Includes exploration of knowledge production in science and technology; case studies such as industrial health and safety, the atomic age, “natural” disasters, and global warming to understand how risk has been defined, perceived, and remedied; and team research projects on such topics as automobile safety, earthquakes, and tsunamis.

HSTR 207CS. Sci and Tech in World History. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) S
-- Surveys the role of science and technology in relation to social, political, and economic change that Japan underwent between the 1770’s and 1910 and the emergence of modern Japanese nationalism.

HSTR 208RH. Sci,Envir,Tech,Soc: Common Exp. 3 Credits. (3 Sem) S
Science and technology have become pervasive instigators of social change. This course aims to understand the nature, causes, and consequences of the growth of science and technology from a humanistic perspective, including recent advances in stem-cell research, the human genome, atomic energy and weapons, and space technology. We will explore the immense social, cultural, political, and economic consequences of these advances and how they have affected our relationship to the natural world.

HSTR 232D. Religion in Latin America. 3 Credits. (3 Sem)
-- This course examines the history of religion in Latin America from pre-conquest times to the present.

HSTR 282CS. Darwinian Revolution. 3 Credits. (3 Lec)
-- Covers the history, philosophy, and our current understanding of the biological sciences, focusing especially on the theory of evolution. Explores Darwin’s ideas, the manner in which he came to them, his argument’s explanatory power, and the diverse ramifications of evolutionary theory, including the modern debates in science and religion, stem cell research, cloning, sociobiology, and other tricky contemporary issues.
HSTR 372. The World at War. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) F, alternate years, to be offered every year. 
PREREQUISITE: HSTR 101IH or HSTR 102, or HSTA 101, or HSTA 102, or HSTA 160. The First or Second World War examined through political, military, technological, and social history, in the contexts of the early decades of the 20th century and consequences up to the present.

HSTR 375. Eurasian Borderlands. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) F, alternate years, to be offered every year. 
PREREQUISITE: Any HSTR course or junior standing, or consent of instructor. Provides a comparative and thematic approach to a series of issues related to the theme of cross-cultural contact. Draws on scholarly literature pertaining to the Balkans, the Middle East, and the former Soviet Union to examine imperialism, national and religious identity, human mobility, and genocide.

HSTR 376. Twentieth Century War. 3 Credits. (3 Lec)
Why was the 20th century the most violent period in human history? In this course, we will examine the fascinating causes and histories of the great military conflicts in the Pacific and Europe, including WWI and WWII and ending with the American war in Vietnam.

HSTR 407. Soviet Union: Rise & Fall. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) F,S 
PREREQUISITE: Any HSTR course, or junior standing, or consent of instructor. This course examines the history of the USSR and its successor states in Europe and Asia. Beginning with the late imperial era, it examines the major political, cultural, and social developments taking place in the region to the present day.

HSTR 415. Gender and Technology. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) 
PREREQUISITE: Any 100-level HSTR, HSTA, or AMST course or consent of instructor. This class explores the relationship between gender and technology in comparative cultural, social, and historical perspective.

HSTR 417. Early Modern Science. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) 
PREREQUISITE: HSTA 101, HSTR 101IH, HSTR 102, or HSTR 282. Topics of study may include the relationships between religion and science, science and gender, and technological change and the structure of society.

HSTR 419. Modern Science. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) 
PREREQUISITE: HSTR 102, or HSTA 102. The emergence of modern science in Europe and America from the Scientific Revolution to the Atomic Age. Special emphasis will be given to the cultural, political, and economic rise of science and technology within society.

HSTR 423. European Intellectual History. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) 
PREREQUISITE: HSTR 101IH or HSTR 102. The ideologies and major thinkers who have influenced European history from the French Revolution to the present day.

HSTR 425. Mapping the World. 3 Credits. (3 Sem) 
Other PREREQUISITE: HSTR 101IH or HSTR 102IH. This course explores the role of map-making in global history from the 1600's through the present. Class discussions will focus on the role of cartographic images in modern state formation, maritime exploration, nation building, colonial conquest, and social geography.

HSTR 430. Latin Amer Soc History. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) 
PREREQUISITE: HSTR 130D, or SPNS 329 and SPNS 330, or consent of the instructor. Social history of Latin America from colonial times to the present.

HSTR 431. Race in Latin America. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) 
PREREQUISITE: HSTR 130, HSTA 101 or HSTA 102. This course explores the history of race relations in Latin America, focusing on the traditional links between “race” and power. Topics may include examinations of Indigenous, African, and European cultures/ethnicities, from the Conquest to the present day.

HSTR 432. Colonial Latin America. 3 Credits. (3 Sem) 
PREREQUISITE: HSTR 130D, SPNS 329 or SPNS 330, or consent of the instructor. This course examines the colonial period in Latin America. Important themes include cross-cultural contact and conflict, the development of a colonial economy, religious and cultural change, institutional and political history, and the organization of colonial society.

HSTR 433. Latin American Perspectives. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) S 
PREREQUISITE: HSTR 160, HSTR 102, HSTR 130 or consent of the instructor. This course approaches historical developments, literature, and construction of identity in twentieth-century Latin America. Taught in English with Spanish reading/writing option. Focus will vary by instructor. Cross-listed with SPNS 430.

HSTR 434. Gender in Latin America. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) 
PREREQUISITE: HSTR 130D. An exploration of the ways in which transformations in the historical construction of gender and sexuality shaped and were shaped by broader processes of socioeconomic, political, and cultural change in Latin American history.

HSTR 435. Latin America: Human Rights. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) 
Other PREREQUISITE: HSTR 130 or HSTR 346 and junior standing, or consent of instructor. Seeks deeper understanding of phenomenon of violence in modern world by examining case studies from Latin America. Topics include military dictatorships, revolutions, foreign interventions, drug cartels, and street gangs.

HSTR 436. Armed Conflict Mod Latin Amer. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) S 
PREREQUISITE: HSTR 130 or HSTR 102 or junior standing or consent of instructor. Considers the roots and outcomes of different armed conflicts in modern Latin America, including foreign intervention, revolutionary conflict, state violence, and extrajudicial violence.

HSTR 443. Gender in Asia. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) 
PREREQUISITE: Any 100-level HSTR, HSTA or AMST course or 100-level PHL or RLST course or 100- or 200-level CHIN course or 100- or 300-level JPNS course or WS 491 or consent of instructor. Explores the ways in which constructions of gender in China, Japan, and Korea shaped and were shaped by broad social, political, and cultural factors, from the pre-modern period to the present.

HSTR 444. Gender in Japan. 3 Credits. (3 Sem) 
PREREQUISITE: HSTR 140 or HSTR 145. Investigates the role of gender in Japanese history from ancient times to the present.

HSTR 445. Environ. Health & Sci in Japan. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) 
PREREQUISITE: HSTR 140 or HSTR 145. Investigates the complex relationship between the Japanese and the natural world, including the history of disease and medicine.

HSTR 446. Science and Medicine in China. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) 
PREREQUISITE: HSTR 140 or HSTR 145 or consent of instructor. An exploration of the transformations of medicine, technology, and natural knowledge in imperial and modern China.

HSTR 467. History of Mountaineering. 3 Credits. (3 Sem) S 
PREREQUISITE: Any 100 or 200-level HSTA or HSTR course. This course will focus on the dynamic relationship between the advance of science and the exploration, conception, and use of the world's mountains. Environmental history will form a major component of the course.

HSTR 468. The Making of Modern Turkey. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) S, alternate years. 
PREREQUISITE: Any HSTR (non-US history) course or junior standing or consent of instructor. This course focuses upon the major political, cultural, social, and economic developments taking place in the history of Turkey from its establishment in 1923 up to the present day. Of particular importance to this course is the question of what the study of Turkey's modern history can teach us about the modern era more generally.

HSTR 482. Animal Histories. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) 
What is technology and how has it shaped the history of the United States and the broader globe? Does technology drive history? What are the sources of technological innovation and to what degree do humans guide and direct these? What is the relationship between technology and nature? Between technology and power?.

HSTR 484. World Environmental History. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) F,S alternate years. 
PREREQUISITE: Any 100- or 200-level HSTR course. This course examines the intersection of the natural world with major themes in world history. Topics may include diseases, agriculture, pollution, and environmentalism in global context.

HSTR 486. Museum History. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) S alternate years, to be offered odd years. 
PREREQUISITE: History major (any concentration) or Museum Studies minor and any 100 or 200-level HSTA or HSTR course. An examination of the development of American museums and their relationship to other exhibitionary forms, including wild west shows and world's fairs. The course also introduces students to theoretical arguments about the nature and function of cultural representations.

HSTR 490R. Undergraduate Research. 1-6 Credits. (1-6 Ind) On Demand 
PREREQUISITE: Consent of instructor and consent of department head. Course will address responsible conduct of research. Directed research on an individual basis.

HSTR 491. Special Topics. 1-4 Credits. (1-4 Lec; max unlimited) 
PREREQUISITE: Course prerequisites as determined for each offering. Courses not required in any curriculum for which there is a particular one-time need, or given on a trial basis to determine acceptability and demand before requesting a regular course number.

HSTR 492. Independent Study. 1-4 Credits. (1-4 Ind; 6 cr max) On Demand 
PREREQUISITE: Consent of instructor, and approval of department head. Directed research and study on an individual basis.
HSTR 498. Internship. 1-12 Credits. (1-12 Ind; 12 cr max) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: Consent of instructor, and approval of department head. An individualized assignment arranged with an agency, business, or other organization to provide guided experience in the field.

HSTR 499R. Sen Capstone: Hist Methodology. 3 Credits. (3 Sem) F.S
PREREQUISITE: Senior standing and consent of instructor. Must register in History Department Office. History majors practice sound research and writing methods, using appropriate bibliographical tools and in light of contemporary historiography.
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