

History Major

Global Themes

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A minimum of 10 courses and a maximum of 14 courses taught by History Department faculty at Holy Cross or approved by the department chair, including the following:

- HIST 200: Historian's Craft (must be completed by fifth semester)
- Five courses numbered 201 level or higher (must include at least two courses at the 300 or 400 level)
- Two courses in Pre-Modern history
- Four courses related to one of the following Global Themes (including one "capstone" course at the 300 or 400 level). These courses must encompass geographic diversity.
 - **Colonialism and Empire**
 - **Gender in Public and Private Life**
 - **Race and Ethnicity**
 - **Knowledge and Belief**
 - **Resistance, Revolution and Reaction**
 - **War and Memory**

Colonialism and Empire

From the Roman to the Aztec, from the Mughal to the French, empire is one of the most enduring and oldest forms of political organization, and its story has never been simply one of conquest and resistance. Beyond its political manifestations, imperial relations have included and produced far-reaching networks of trade, religion, education, and culture. The relationships between colonizing and colonized peoples have been highly complex and have involved violence, collaboration, defiance and negotiation, often at the same time. Scholars debate not only the nature of these interactions, but also their enduring implications. How have people established, maintained and contested imperial power? How have colonizing forces justified empire, and how do we evaluate its impact? Is the age of imperialism over or does it persist in new forms?

Gender in Public and Private Life

Gender, as an expression of power relations and identity, lies at the root of human experience and historical inquiry. More than a synonym for women's history, gender situates women as well as men, through ideas about manhood and womanhood, at the center of historical analysis. A gendered approach to the study of history asks questions about the ways human perceptions of sexual difference – of masculinity and femininity and the norms of behavior deemed appropriate for men and women – have shaped major forces and events in the past. Are gender identities fixed and biologically determined? Or are they constructed by societies to express the political, economic and social anxieties and values of a given time period? Is gender's impact limited to domestic spaces, such as family organization, or is it present in larger public arenas, such as war, policy-making, law and diplomacy? Taking a gendered analysis into account can broaden what we deem as "history," can highlight previously marginalized voices, and can challenge the assumptions and periodization of standard historical narratives.

Race and Ethnicity

Many people think of race as natural and self-evident; as old as humanity itself and as simple as black and white. However, human societies across time and geography have created ways of making and experiencing “difference” according to invented categories of ethnicity and race. These divisions have formed the rationale for oppressive hierarchies within societies as well as for liberation movements. What causes race to come into existence as a way of understanding the world? How has race operated in different regions of the world—for example, within and between the Americas, Asia, Africa and Europe? What are the origins of racial-ethnic thinking, and how have racial and ethnic categories informed socio-political relations over time? How have people created and experienced social differences? How have individuals or groups developed strategies both to perpetuate and to change racial and ethnic dynamics?

Knowledge and Belief

The ways in which individuals and societies come to know the world and create meaning have changed dramatically across different times and places in history. Courses on this Global Theme investigate how religion, science, philosophy, art, and law affect human actions and beliefs. Going beyond the study of formally articulated ideas, these courses examine how individuals and societies create, contest, and transmit different systems of meaning and value. Students learn to analyze fundamental issues within the histories of religion, science, technology, popular culture, law, political ideology, and cultural transfer.

Resistance, Revolution and Reaction

Political upheavals occur when a group of individuals rejects the dominant values of the status quo and struggles to create a different social order. These upheavals can range from bottom-up mass movements to top-down military coups. In such struggles for power, insurgents endeavor to win support for a new set of norms, which can range from promoting civil rights to advocating genocide. Moreover, while some revolutions produce paradigm-shifting gains in democracy and social welfare, others conducted in the name of liberation have generated more of the very exploitation they first pledged to eliminate. How did people understand such transformations at the time and how did succeeding generations re-assess and re-imagine them? What prompts people to decide to break the rules of their community or risk their lives for social change? How is power won, and how is it maintained and institutionalized? How do societies, both ancient and modern, decide who should have rights and who should be denied them? What roles have civil disobedience, violent resistance, and even terror played in both the challenging of order and the crushing of dissent?

War and Memory

Wars do not begin and end on the battlefield. They originate within particular historical contexts, in response to factors ranging from the political and strategic, to the social and cultural. Moreover, long after the final battle has been fought, the memory of warfare continues to be shaped, debated, and changed, affected not least by whether one was on the winning or losing side. Memories of war can often be contentious, producing bitter conflicts about national holidays, museum exhibits, reenactments, school textbooks, literature, and films. What causes wars? How have contemporaries justified war? What effects have wars had on political development, gender relations, the economy, and society? What unintended consequences have resulted from war? Has there always been a clear winner and loser?

COURSES

Colonialism and Empire

MONT 100C	Building Walls/Burning Bridges	HIST 256	Europe and the Superpowers
MONT 110G	"MENA Live Film/Fiction"	HIST 262	Germany: Dictatorship to Democracy
MONT 100C	Africa and the Others	HIST 271	The Indians' New World
MONT 106C	De-Colonizing India	HIST 272	Native American History 2
HIST 101	Manifest Destiny:US in the Pacific	HIST 275	U.S. Mexican Border
HIST 101	Encountering Africa I	HIST 277	Afro-Latin America
HIST 101	Travel Writing in African History	HIST 278	Raza e Identidad
HIST 101	Original First Peoples of the Americas	HIST 279	America's Colony: Puerto Rico 1898
HIST 101	Gender and Nations	HIST 280	Modern India
HIST 101	Sex, Nationalism and Ideology	HIST 281	Imperial China
HIST 101	Pirates to Patriots: 1500-1800	HIST 282	Modern China
HIST 104	Perspectives on Asia II	HIST 284	Vietnam, Nationalism and War
HIST 109	Ancient Near East and Greece	HIST 286	Modern Japan
HIST 110	Rome: Republic & Empire	HIST 287	Pacific War
HIST 113	Renaissance to Napoleon	HIST 290	Gender History in Africa
HIST 126	Colonial Latin America	HIST 291	MakingMod Mid East I
HIST 127	Modern Latin America	HIST 292	Making Mod Mid East II
HIST 155	World War II in East Asia	HIST 293	Ottoman Empire 1: 1300-1600
HIST 196	African Colonial Lives	HIST 294	Ottoman Empire 2, 1500-1922
HIST 198	Modern Africa Since 1800	HIST 296	South Africa & Apartheid
HIST 199	America's Colony	HIST 299	Gender History in Africa
HIST 199	History of Diplomacy	HIST 299	Science and Religion in Western World
HIST 199	Global History Since 1989	HIST 299	Europe's First Global Age
HIST 199	The West in the World-post 1989	HIST 299	Blacks in Lat. Am. & Caribbean
HIST 199	History of Capitalism in U.S. in the World	HIST 299	Latin American-US Relations
HIST 199	Gender and Power in African History	HIST 299	Global History 1 to 1600
HIST 201	Colonial America	HIST 299	The Asian American Experience
HIST 203	Slavery, History & Empire	HIST 299	Sex&Society in ModMidEast
HIST 206	US in the 20 th Century II: 1945-Present	HIST 299	Global Environmental History
HIST 207	19 th Century U.S. Diplomacy		
HIST 208	The US & the World since 1890		
HIST 210	Early American Lives		
HIST 212	History of Colonialism: U.S. in the World		
HIST 230	Environmental History		
HIST 239	Louis XIV's France, Ca. 1560-1715		
HIST 241	French Rebels and Revolutionaries		
HIST 242	British Society & Empire 1: 1763-1901		
HIST 243	20 th C British Soc. & Empire II		
HIST 245	Imperial Russia East/West		
HIST 251	Colonial Ireland and India		
HIST 255	Eur. in the Age of Mass Polt &Total War		

Colonialism and Empire (Cont'd)

- HIST 305 America's First Global Age
- HIST 346 Archeology, Empire, Nationalism in Ottoman Medit
- HIST 352 Rebels & Radical Thinkers
- HIST 365 Resistance & Rev in Mod Africa
- HIST 399 Ireland and India
- HIST 399 Nationalism in Modern Africa
- HIST 399 Southern Africa Since 1800
- HIST 399 Beijing and Shanghai
- HIST 399 China's Urban Transformations
- HIST 399 Germany & the Global Economy
- HIST 401 Ethnicity and the State in Asia
- HIST 401 Global 1980s
- HIST 401 Ancient Empires: Rome & China
- HIST 401 Colonialism, Imperialism & the Critics
- HIST 401 Science and Empire
- HIST 401 Origins of War and Conflict in Afr
- HIST 401 Science and Empire in the ModMid East
- HIST 401 History Fiction w/Footnotes
- HIST 401 Manhood in the British Empire

Gender in Public and Private Life

MONT 107S	Voicing the Political Self		
MONT 112	Power, Protest & Social Change		
MONT 107G	Leaving the World Behind		
MONT 108S	Restless Souls		
MONT 114N	Rise of Modern Food		
HIST 101	Travel Writing in African History	HIST 299	Blacks in Lat. Am. & Caribbean
HIST 101	Americans in Paris	HIST 299	Russia Reborn? 1991 to Present
HIST 101	Gender and the Saints	HIST 299	Women's Lives in Medieval Europe
HIST 101	Gender and Nations	HIST 299	Sex & Society in Mod MiddleEast
HIST 101	History of Massachusetts	HIST 299	Latin American Lives
HIST 101	Sex, Nationalism and Ideology	HIST 314	Music/Sport/Cultural Encounter
HIST 101	Family and Gender in China	HIST 317	Pain&Suffering: US History
HIST 101	American Social Movements	HIST 319	Joan of Arc & Medieval Warfare
HIST 105	Asia in Western Fiction and Film	HIST 324	Italy & France: War and Resistance
HIST 106	Origins of Japanese Culture	HIST 325	Women and Gender in War, Holocaust, Resistance
HIST 122	Food, Power & Environment	HIST 327	Cultures of the Cold War
HIST 124	Religion and Society in the U.S.	HIST 342	Americans in Paris
HIST 199	America's Colony	HIST 401	Collapse of Communism
HIST 199	Family and Gender in China	HIST 401	Sex&Power:War and Holocaust
HIST 199	US Populism and Protest	HIST 401	Biography and History
HIST 199	Food Power & the Environment	HIST 401	Disaster History in East Asia
HIST 199	Gender and Power in African History	HIST 401	History Fiction w/Footnotes
HIST 201	Colonial America	HIST 401	Manhood in British Empire
HIST 202	Age of American Revolution	HIST 401	Putin's World
HIST 203	Slavery, History & Empire		
HIST 204	Civil War and Its Aftermath		
HIST 205	US in the 20 th Century I: 1890-1945		
HIST 206	US in the 20 th Century II: 1945- Present		
HIST 210	Early American Lives		
HIST 212	History of Capitalism: U.S. in the World		
HIST 214	Comparative Women's History		
HIST 224	Catholicism in US		
HIST 227	Muslim Africa		
HIST 232	Medieval Lives		
HIST 241	French Rebels and Revolutionaries		
HIST 242	British Soc & Empire 1763-1901		
HIST 243	20 th C British Soc. & Empire II		
HIST 245	Imperial Russia East/West		
HIST 253	Soviet Experiment		
HIST 254	Soviet Union After Stalin		
HIST 267	History of Modern Italy		
HIST 277	Afro-Latin America		
HIST 284	Vietnam, Nationalism & War		
HIST 289	MigrationMobility/African Hist.		
HIST 290	Gender History in Africa		
HIST 299	Family and Freedom in Russia		
HIST 299	Soviet Union after Stalin		

Race and Ethnicity

MONT 107G	Leaving the World Behind	HIST 234	Medieval Spain
MONT 111D	Lynching and Sensibility	HIST 261	Germany in Age of Nationalism
MONT112	Power, Protest and Social Change	HIST 267	History of Modern Italy
MONT 100C	Africa and the Other	HIST 271	The Indians' New World
MONT 114N	Rise of Modern Food	HIST 272	Native American History 2
HIST 101	Modern American Social Movements	HIST 275	US Mexican Border
HIST 101	Travel Writing in African History	HIST 277	Afro-Latin America
HIST 101	Manifest Destiny:US in the Pacific	HIST 278	Raza e Identidad
HIST 101	History of Massachusetts	HIST 279	America's Colony: Puerto Rico 1898
HIST 101	Original First Peoples of the Americas	HIST 281	Imperial China
HIST 101	Gender and Nations	HIST 283	Ethnic Conflict in 20 th C Asia
HIST 101	Encountering Africa	HIST 286	Modern Japan
HIST 101	Sex, Nationalism and Ideology	HIST 287	Pacific War
HIST 101	WWII & Holocaust	HIST 289	MigrationMobility/African Hist.
HIST 101	African American Lives	HIST 290	Gender History in Africa
HIST 105	Asia in Western Fiction and Film	HIST 296	South Africa & Apartheid
HIST 106	Origins of Japanese Culture	HIST 299	Great Revolutions of Latin America
HIST 114	Napoleon to the E.U., 1815-Present	HIST 299	Blacks in Lat. Am. & Caribbean
HIST 122	Food, Power & Environment	HIST 299	Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade
HIST 126	Colonial Latin America	HIST 299	Latin American-US Relations
HIST 127	Modern Latin America	HIST 299	Race&Gender in Atlantic World
HIST 128	Latino History	HIST 299	Work, Culture & Power in U.S. Hist.
HIST 137	American Slavery, American Freedom	HIST 299	The Asian American Experience
HIST 145	History of Medicine	HIST 299	Global Environmental History
HIST 196	African Colonial Lives	HIST 299	Latin American Lives
HIST 197	Early Africa to 1800	HIST 314	Music, Sports, & Cultural Encounter
HIST 198	Modern Africa Since 1800	HIST 317	Pain &Suffering
HIST 199	Nature and Society	HIST 342	Americans in Paris
HIST 199	Transpacific Histories	HIST 361	Germans, Jews & Memory
HIST 199	Religion in America	HIST 365	Resistance & Rev in Mod Africa
HIST 199	US Populism and Protest	HIST 392	Arab-Israeli Conflict
HIST 199	Food Power & the Environment	HIST 399	Arrival of Islam in Asia
HIST 199	Gender and Power in African History	HIST 399	Nationalism in Modern Africa
HIST 201	Colonial America	HIST 399	Lincoln's America
HIST 203	Slavery, History & Empire	HIST 399	Black Power
HIST 204	Civil War and Its Aftermath	HIST 399	Martin Luther King/Malcolm X
HIST 205	US in the 20 th Century I: 1890-1945	HIST 399	Palestinian-Israeli Conflict
HIST 206	US in the 20 th Century II: 1945-Present	HIST 399	American People
HIST 209	Hamilton's America	HIST 399	Conspiracy in American History
HIST 212	History of Capitalism: U.S. in the World		
HIST 221	American Urban History		
HIST 225	The Civil Rights Movement		
HIST 226	Irish American Experience		
HIST 227	Muslim Africa		

Race and Ethnicity (cont'd)

- HIST 401 Civil Rights Movement
- HIST 401 Ethnicity and the State in Asia
- HIST 401 US and Japan Since 1850
- HIST 401 Popular Culture/Latin America
- HIST 401 Palestinian-Israeli Conflict
- HIST 401 Fascisms: War, Holocaust,
Resistance
- HIST 401 Colonialism,Imperialism&the Critics
- HIST 401 Biography and History
- HIST 401 Science and Empire
- HIST 401 Origins of War and Conflict in Afr
- HIST 401 Science and Empire Mod Mid East
- HIST 401 Disaster History in East Asia
- HIST 401 Manhood in the British Empire

Knowledge and Belief

HIST 101	Playing with the Past
HIST 101	WWII & Holocaust
HIST 111	Rise of Christian West
HIST 112	Emerging Europe, 1000-1500
HIST 113	Renaissance to Napoleon
HIST 124	Religion & Society in US
HIST 197	Early Africa to 1800
HIST 204	Civil War and Its Aftermath
HIST 224	Catholicism in US
HIST 226	Irish American Experience
HIST 227	Muslim Africa
HIST 232	Medieval Lives: Biographies of Faith & Action
HIST 236	Renaissance Europe
HIST 245	Imperial Russia: Between East and West
HIST 253	Soviet Experiment
HIST 254	Soviet Union after Stalin
HIST 291	Making of the Mod Mid East I
HIST 292	Making of the Mod Mid East II
HIST 299	Global History 1 to 1600
HIST 299	Women's Lives in Medieval Europe
HIST 299	Sex & Society in Mod MiddleEast
HIST 305	America's First Global Age
HIST 317	Pain & Suffering
HIST 327	Cultures of Cold War
HIST 329	Collapse of Communism
HIST 352	Rebels and Radical Thinkers
HIST 361	Germans, Jews and Memory
HIST 399	Germany & Making of the Global Economy
HIST 401	Science and Islam
HIST 401	Science & Empire Mod Middle East
HIST 401	Disaster History in East Asia
HIST 401	Gender & Sexuality 20c US
HIST 401	Afro-Latin American Religions
HIST 401	Islam and Modernity

Resistance, Revolution and Reaction

MONT 103S	Struggles for Justice	HIST 241	French Rebels and Revolutionaries
MONT 102S	Competing Visions of Freedom	HIST 242	British Soc & Empire 1763-1901
MONT 107S	Voicing the Political Self	HIST 243	20 th C British Soc. & Empire
MONT 106C	De-Colonizing India	HIST 245	Imperial Russia/East & West
MONT 100C	Building Walls/Burning Bridges "17"	HIST 251	Colonial Ireland and India
MONT 108S	Restless Souls	HIST 253	Soviet Experiment
HIST 101	US Social Movements	HIST 254	Soviet Union After Stalin
HIST 101	African American Lives	HIST 255	Europe: Mass Politics/Total War
HIST 101	Original First Peoples of the Americas	HIST 256	Europe and the Superpowers
HIST 101	Gender and Nation	HIST 261	Germany in Age of Nationalism
HIST 101	Family and Gender in China	HIST 262	Germany: Dictatorship to Democracy
HIST 101	American Social Movement	HIST 267	History of Modern Italy
HIST 101	Teddy Roosevelt	HIST 271	The Indians' New World
HIST 101	Pirates to Patriots: 1500-1800	HIST 272	Native American History 2
HIST 111	Rise of Christian West to A.D. 1000	HIST 280	Modern India
HIST 112	Emerging Europe, 1000-1500	HIST 282	Modern China
HIST 113	Renaissance to Napoleon	HIST 285	Warrior Tradition in Japan
HIST 114	Napoleon to the E.U., 1815-Present	HIST 286	Modern Japan
HIST 155	World War II in East Asia	HIST 291	Making Mod Mid East I
HIST 196	African Colonial Lives	HIST 292	Making Mod Mid East II
HIST 198	Modern Africa Since 1800	HIST 293	Ottoman Empire 1: 1300-1600
HIST 199	History of Diplomacy	HIST 294	Ottoman Empire 2, 1500-1922
HIST 199	Making of Modern US: 1876-1919	HIST 296	South Africa & Apartheid
HIST 199	Religion and Science	HIST 299	Revolutionary America
HIST 199	Family and Gender in China	HIST 299	Early American Lives
HIST 199	The West in the World-post 1989	HIST 299	Latin American-US Relations
HIST 199	Making in History	HIST 299	Soviet History, 1917-1991
HIST 199	History of Capitalism in U.S. in the World	HIST 299	Russia Reborn? 1991 to Present
HIST 202	Age of American Revolution	HIST 299	The Asian American Experience
HIST 207	19 th Century U.S. Diplomacy	HIST 299	Global Environmental History
HIST 208	The US & the World since 1890	HIST 299	Latin American Lives
HIST 209	Hamilton's America		
HIST 210	Early American Lives		
HIST 211	Labor and Capital in America		
HIST 212	US Capitalism and Politics		
HIST 222	Great Leaders		
HIST 223	Radicalism in America		
HIST 225	The Civil Rights Movement		
HIST 231	Medieval England to 1216		
HIST 233	War and Chivalry in Medieval France		

Resistance, Revolution and Reaction (Cont'd)

- HIST 305 America's First Global Age
- HIST 320 Crafted by War: Late Medieval
England to 1485
- HIST 322 War & Cinema
- HIST 324 Italy and France: War and Resistance
- HIST 327 Cultures of the Cold War
- HIST 329 Collapse of Communism
- HIST 340 Gilded Age America
- HIST 345 Reform and Change in Ottoman
Empire
- HIST 352 Rebels & Radical Thinkers
- HIST 365 Resistance&Rev in Mod Africa
- HIST 392 Arab-Israeli Conflict
- HIST 399 Martin Luther King/Malcolm X
- HIST 399 Ireland and India
- HIST 399 Diplomacy
- HIST 399 American People
- HIST 399 Conspiracy in American History
- HIST 399 Beijing and Shanghai
- HIST 399 China's Urban Transformations
- HIST 399 Germany & the Global Economy
- HIST 401 Civil Rights Movement
- HIST 401 Empire Family and Children
- HIST 401 The Civil War: War and Memory
- HIST 401 Performing Histories of War
- HIST 401 Race & Religion Am History
- HIST 401 Fascisms: War, Holocaust,
Resistance
- HIST 401 Palestinian-Israeli Conflict
- HIST 401 Early Am Fam, Trade & Empire
- HIST 401 Colonialism,Imperialism&theCritics
- HIST 401 Biography and History
- HIST 401 Sex and Power: War and Holocaust
- HIST 401 America in the Gilded Age
- HIST 401 History Fiction w/Footnotes
- HIST 401 Manhood in the British Empire
- HIST 401 Putin's World

War and Memory

MONT 106S	Power, Protest & Social Change	HIST 329	Collapse of Communism
MONT 107S	Voicing the Political Self	HIST 340	Gilded Age America
MONT112	Power, Protest and Social Change	HIST 342	Americans in Paris
MONT113G	Memory Wars :WW2 & Vietnam	HIST 346	Archeology, Empire, Nationalism in Ottoman Medit
HIST 101	World War II	HIST 352	Rebels & Radical Thinkers
HIST 101	Americans in Paris	HIST 361	Germans, Jews, & Memory
HIST 101	WW2-Eastn Front & Holocaust	HIST 365	Resistance & Revol in Mod Africa
HIST 101	Pirates to Patriots: 1500-1800	HIST 392	Arab-Israeli Conflict
HIST 110	Rome: Republic and Empire	HIST 399	Lincoln's America
HIST 112	Emerging Europe, 1000-1500	HIST 399	Human Rights Africa/Diaspora
HIST 114	Napoleon to the E.U., 1815-Present	HIST 399	Asia's Women Warriors
HIST 155	World War II in East Asia	HIST 399	Ireland and India
HIST 199	History of Diplomacy	HIST 399	Diplomacy
HIST 205	US in the 20 th Century I: 1890-1945	HIST 401	The Civil War
HIST 207	19 th Century U.S. Diplomacy	HIST 401	Public History
HIST 208	The US & the World since 1890	HIST 401	American Way of War
HIST 209	Hamilton's America	HIST 401	The Great War
HIST 211	Labor and Capital in America	HIST 401	US and Japan Since 1850
HIST 222	Great Leaders	HIST 401	Sex& Power: War and Holocaust
HIST 231	Medieval England to 1216	HIST 401	Origins of War and Conflict in Afr
HIST 233	War and Chivalry in Medieval France	HIST 401	Putin's World
HIST 234	Medieval Spain		
HIST 241	French, Rebels and Revolutionaries		
HIST 253	The Soviet Experiment		
HIST 254	Soviet Union after Stalin		
HIST 255	Europe: Mass Politics to Total War		
HIST 256	Europe and the Superpowers, 1939-1991		
HIST 261	Germany in Age of Nationalism		
HIST 262	Germany: Dictatorship to Democracy		
HIST 278	Raza e Identidad		
HIST 282	Modern China		
HIST 284	Vietnam, Nationalism & War		
HIST 285	Warrior Tradition in Japan		
HIST 287	Pacific War		
HIST 288	Japan Since the Pacific War		
HIST 299	Russia Reborn? 1991 to Present		
HIST 299	Global History 1 to 1600		
HIST 299	Sex & Society in Mod MiddleEast		
HIST 317	Pain and Suffering		
HIST 319	Joan of Arc & Medieval Warfare		
HIST 320	Craft by War: Medieval England to 1485		
HIST 322	Crafted by War		
HIST 324	Italy and France: War & Resistance		
HIST 325	Women and Gender in War, Holocaust, Resistance		
HIST 327	Cultures of Cold War		