

# HIST - HISTORY

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## HIST401 Science and Gender (3 Credits)

Examines the role of women and gender in the history of science. Includes consideration of barriers to women's participation in science; women's role as scientific subjects and researchers; and questions about the scientific construction of gender and the gendered construction of science.

**Credit Only Granted for:** HIST401 or HIST429R.

**Formerly:** HIST429R.

## HIST403 Trashed! Garbage and Recycling in History (3 Credits)

What counts as valuable and what counts as trash? Who gets to decide? Who produces trash and who picks it up? By answering these questions, students will explore how humans have produced, dealt with, and ignored trash and recycling in the 19th and 20th century in both urban and rural settings.

**Credit Only Granted for:** HIST403 or HIST428P.

**Formerly:** HIST428P.

## HIST405 Environmental History (3 Credits)

An introduction to the key issues and methods of environmental history. The scope of the subject is discussed, as well as its relationship with other disciplines, such as ecology, anthropology, and geography. A primary focus is environmental change in history with emphasis on the American experience.

## HIST406 History of Technology (3 Credits)

The changing character of technology in modern history, beginning with the Middle Ages. Concentrates on the Industrial Revolution and its aftermath, the nature of technological knowledge and the sources of technological change.

## HIST407 Technology and Inequality (3 Credits)

How are social inequality and technology related? Have technologies exacerbated social tensions or have they ameliorated them? In the age of climate change, pandemics, and economic transformations, this class looks at technology in history to examine previous transitions in production, infrastructures, computing, and pollution. The emphasis is on the interplay between society and technology in the 19th and 20th centuries.

## HIST408 Senior Seminar (3 Credits)

A capstone course for history majors, designed to increase historical knowledge and the ability to analyze texts and arguments. Topics will focus on the literature of a particular field and primary-source research.

**Restriction:** Must be in History program.

**Repeatable to:** 6 credits if content differs.

## HIST412 History of Women and Gender in Africa (3 Credits)

An examination of socio-economic and cultural change in Africa from the dawn of the colonial era in the 19th century to independence in the mid-twentieth century. Major focus on how African women understood and responded to the expansion of European empires, changes in the colonial economy, and impact of westernization and urbanization.

**Cross-listed with:** AAAS414.

**Credit Only Granted for:** HIST412 or AAAS414.

## HIST415 Ideas and Politics in Europe Since 1900 (3 Credits)

Examination of intersection of ideas and politics in Europe since 1900. Focus will be on advocates of liberalism, social democracy, fascism, Nazism, communism, and conservatism and their impact on politics and policy since 1900.

## HIST416 History of Slavery and the Slave Trade in Africa (3 Credits)

Examines the history and impact of the slave trade on African states, societies, and economies. Investigates the meaning of slavery in Africa, the local uses of slavery there and Africa's connections to the Trans-Saharan, Red Sea, and Trans-Atlantic slave trades.

**Credit Only Granted for:** HIST416 or HIST419Y.

**Formerly:** HIST419Y.

## HIST417 Colonial Encounters: Natives, Spaniards, and Africans in the New World (3 Credits)

An exploration of the discourses and practices of the Spanish colonial project in the New World and the ways in which Indians and Blacks were incorporated into or excluded from that project. Also examines native and African resistance and adaptation to Spanish rule, and the process of transformation and hybridization of Spanish, native and African cultures in Spanish America. An analysis of recent historiographical developments that have profoundly changed the understanding of the Spanish conquest and colonization of the New World.

**Recommended:** HIST220 and HIST250.

**Credit Only Granted for:** HIST417 or HIST428Y.

**Formerly:** HIST428Y.

## HIST418 Jews and Judaism: Selected Historical Topics (3 Credits)

**Prerequisite:** HIST281, HIST283, HIST106, HIST286, or HIST282; or permission of instructor.

**Repeatable to:** 6 credits if content differs.

## HIST419 Special Topics in History (3 Credits)

**Repeatable to:** 9 credits if content differs.

## HIST421 Medieval Heresies (3 Credits)

An examination of twelfth- and thirteenth-century heresies in the medieval West. Consideration of why so many heretics emerged, and how the church attempted to deal with them, and what effect their persecution had on Europe both then and later. Special attention given to groups that stood on the fine line between heresy and orthodox religion.

**Credit Only Granted for:** HIST408L or HIST421.

**Formerly:** HIST408L.

## HIST425 Imperial Russia (3 Credits)

The rise and fall of the Russian Empire, Peter the Great to the collapse of tsarism in revolution. Emphasis on the evolution of autocracy, social groups, national identities, and cultural change.

## HIST428 Selected Topics in History (3 Credits)

**Repeatable to:** 9 credits.

## HIST429 Special Topics in History (3 Credits)

**Repeatable to:** 9 credits.

## HIST429X Tradition and Change: Jewish Religion in the Modern World (3 Credits)

An exploration of the history of the different modern Jewish religious movements that developed in Europe, starting with messianic movements and ending with Reform and Orthodoxy. Emphasis will be placed on the influence of the academic study of Judaism on the development of modern Jewish religious ideologies and practices.

**Cross-listed with:** JWST347, RELS347.

**Credit Only Granted for:** RELS347, JWST347, HIST429X, or RELS419R.

**Formerly:** RELS419R.

## HIST430 Reformations in Politics, Religion, and Gender: England 1485-1603 (3 Credits)

An examination of the political, religious, and social forces in English life, 1485-1603, with special emphasis on Tudor government, the English reformation, and the Elizabethan era.

**HIST431 Becoming Great Britain, 1603-1704 (3 Credits)**

An examination of the political, religious, and social forces in English life, 1603-1714, with special emphasis on Puritanism and the English revolutions.

**HIST434 Victoria's Secrets: Sex and Class in Nineteenth Century Britain (3 Credits)**

Queen Victoria, Jack the Ripper, Sherlock Holmes, Oscar Wilde, and Charles Darwin—all of them were "Victorians" yet just what did that word mean and what values did it encompass? This course will examine the social and cultural life of Great Britain from 1830 to 1900, and encompass the worlds of the elite upper classes to the slums of London's East End. We will pay particular attention to the various meanings of Victorianism and the myths and practices of progress, morality, reform, and imperial conquest that defined the era. We will focus on the "Two Nations" residing within Britain and how government and moral reformers addressed conditions of social inequality, poverty, and crime. Victorian medicine and science and their intersection with empire will be covered. We will also address Victorian notions of class, race, gender, and sexuality and how they were shaped by and influenced the politics and culture of everyday life.

**Credit Only Granted for:** HIST419A or HIST434.

**Formerly:** HIST419A.

**HIST436 Napoleon, the French Revolution and the World (3 Credits)**

An argument for the broad continuity between the revolutionary and Napoleonic wars.

**HIST437 Modern France from Napoleon to DeGaulle (3 Credits)**

The changing political and cultural values of French society in response to recurrent crises throughout the 19th and 20th centuries. Students should have had some previous survey of either Western civilization or European history.

**HIST441 Germany Since 1900 (3 Credits)**

Course places Nazism in context of German and European history. Topics include collapse of German democracy and the establishment of the Nazi dictatorship; the role of Hitler; the response of political, military, economic, diplomatic, legal, media, theological elites and the broader population; the mix of terror, consent and coercion; propaganda and Nazi culture; contours of Nazi racial ideology and anti-Semitism and their impact on domestic and foreign racial policy; the economic history of the Nazi regime; foreign policy from rearmament to launching World War II to expansion and defeat; Jewish policy from the years of persecution to those of extermination; Nazi policy in Eastern and Western Europe, towards the United States, and towards North Africa and the Middle East; why the Allies won World War II and why and how Nazi Germany was defeated; the nature of the Allied occupation after 1945; the Nuremberg war crime trials; aftermath of facing and avoiding the crimes of the Nazi regime in West and East Germany.

**HIST442 Twentieth-Century Russia (3 Credits)**

Russia and the Soviet Union from the fall of the tsars to the post-communist present. Impact of Leninism, Stalinism, and Soviet Communism on state, society, culture, and nationality.

**HIST444 America in the 1960s (3 Credits)**

Celebrated and vilified, the years between 1960 and 1970 represented a watershed in twentieth-century American history. Although history rarely falls neatly within 10-year divisions, the 1960s - as both historical era and historical idea - witnessed enormous political, social, and cultural changes. This course will examine the seminal events, actors, and movements that continue to shape our nation.

**Credit Only Granted for:** HIST319V or HIST444.

**Formerly:** HIST319V.

**HIST450 American Capitalism: 1600-1900 (3 Credits)**

This course explores the transformation of economic life in what became the United States from pre-colonial times to 1900, with special emphasis on economic interactions among Native American, Mexican, and European societies; how and why capitalism took root and became dominant; economic dimensions of the Revolutionary and Civil Wars; why the North, South, and West followed distinct economic paths; the revolutions in transportation and communications; slavery as a business system; causes and consequences of industrialization; and trends in the distribution of wealth and income.

**HIST451 American Capitalism: 1900 to Present (3 Credits)**

An examination of the evolution of American capitalism from 1900 to the present, with special attention on the emergence of the United States as the world's leading economic power; the impact of big business on work and government regulation; causes and consequences of the Great Depression; the role of business in the two world wars; postwar growth followed by the decline of U.S. global competitiveness; why consumerism occupied a central role in U.S. history; the influence of economic theory on policymaking; realities and mythologies of Reaganomics and Clintonomics; and the economic impact of the digital revolution.

**HIST453 Diplomatic History of the United States from 1914 (3 Credits)**

American foreign relations in the 20th century. World War I, the Great Depression, World War II, the Cold War, the Korean War, and Vietnam. A continuation of HIST452.

**HIST454 Constitutional History of the United States: From Colonial Origins to 1865 (3 Credits)**

The interaction of government, law, and politics in the constitutional system. The nature and purpose of constitutions and constitutionalism; the relationship between the constitution and social forces and influences, the way in which constitutional principles, rules, ideas, and institutions affect events and are in turn affected by events. The origins of American politics and constitutionalism through the Constitutional Convention of 1787. Major constitutional problems such as the origins of judicial review, democratization of government, slavery in the territories, secession, and civil war.

**HIST455 Constitutional History of the United States: Since 1865 (3 Credits)**

American public law and government, with emphasis on the interaction of government, law, and politics, and the relationship between the constitution and social forces and influences, the way in which constitutional principles, rules, ideas, and institutions affect events and are in turn affected by events. Major crises in American government and politics such as Reconstruction, the rise of corporate power, civil liberties during wartime, the New Deal era, the civil disorders of the 1960s.

**HIST459 Society in America: Historical Topics (3 Credits)**

A consideration of selected aspects of American society from colonial times to the present. Special emphasis on regionalism, immigration, nativism, minorities, urbanization, and social responses to technological changes.

**Repeatable to:** 6 credits if content differs.

**HIST460 History of Labor in the United States (3 Credits)**

The American working class in terms of its composition; its myths and utopias; its social conditions; and its impact on American institutions.

**HIST462 Slavery, Sectionalism, and the U.S. Civil War (3 Credits)**

Slavery, sectionalism, and the coming of the Civil War. Resources and strategy of the Confederacy and the Union, the war's changing character, emancipation and its consequences, conditions on the home front, and the wartime origins of Reconstruction.

**HIST465 Oral History of Immigration (3 Credits)**

Uses oral history to explore experiences of migrants to the Washington, D.C. area since the mid-twentieth century in projects based on engagement with local immigrants.

**Credit Only Granted for:** HIST428M or HIST465.

**Formerly:** HIST428M.

**HIST466 Immigration and Ethnicity in the U.S. (3 Credits)**

Seminar exploring historical problems relating to US immigration, race, and ethnicity since 1848, with emphasis on cultural impacts of migration on immigrants, their children, and U.S. society.

**Credit Only Granted for:** AAST498L or HIST466.

**HIST467 Women and Reform Movements in the Twentieth-Century United States (3 Credits)**

Investigation of women's participation in such twentieth-century reform movements as the labor movement, the struggle for racial justice, social welfare reform, and women's movements. Will ask how race, class, and gender were implicated in the ways that women agitated for social political change.

**Recommended:** HIST201, HIST211, or HIST255.

**Credit Only Granted for:** HIST467 or HIST429E.

**Formerly:** HIST429E.

**HIST469 Study Abroad Special Topics IV (1-6 Credits)**

Special topics course taken as part of an approved study abroad program.

**Repeatable to:** 15 credits if content differs.

**HIST470 Corporations on Trial (3 Credits)**

Examines legal challenges to corporations around the world over the past 200 years through selected case studies. Topics include globalization, empires, the world wars, and the emergence of human rights, corporate social responsibility, and environmental justice.

**Credit Only Granted for:** HIST419X or HIST470.

**Formerly:** HIST419X.

**HIST473 History of the Caribbean (3 Credits)**

Offers a concise introduction to the history of the Caribbean regions from the Columbian voyages to the 20th century. Special emphasis is given to the dynamics of local social and cultural formations within the framework of the political and economic history of the Atlantic world.

**HIST476 Jews in Medieval Times 1000-1450 (3 Credits)**

Social and cultural life of Jewish communities spread throughout Islam and Christendom. Major topics include the Gaonate, kehila organizations, legal, rationalist, and mystical thought, and the context of rising animosity against Jews linked to the Crusades and changing Church doctrines.

**Recommended:** HIST282, HIST330, HIST331, or JWST234.

**Cross-listed with:** JWST432.

**Credit Only Granted for:** HIST476 or JWST432.

**HIST481 A History of Modern China (3 Credits)**

Modern China from 1644 to the People's Republic of China. Emphasis on the coming of the West to China and the various stages of the Chinese reaction.

**HIST482 History of Japan to 1800 (3 Credits)**

Traditional Japanese civilization from the age of Shinto mythology and introduction of continental learning down to the rule of military families, the transition to a money economy, and the creation of a townsmen's culture. A survey of political, economic, religious, and cultural history.

**HIST483 History of Japan Since 1800 (3 Credits)**

Japan's renewed contact with the Western world and emergence as a modern state, industrial society, and world power, 1800-1931; and Japan's road to war, occupation, and recovery, 1931 to the present.

**HIST490 Seven Revolutions in Modern Africa (1945-) (3 Credits)**

Seven Revolutions samples theoretical, contemporaneously produced, and leading scholarly (secondary) texts about seven revolutionary situations faced by Africans from ca. 1952 through to the 21st century. In past years we have devoted weeks or double weeks to the Mau Mau (Kenya), Ethiopian derg, Zimbabwe's factions and structural racism, Guinea and women's subalternity, Patrice Lumumba's assassination, race vs. settler as a framework, Liberia's intersection with continental history in the 1980s, among other focuses.

**Cross-listed with:** AAAS490.

**Credit Only Granted for:** HIST428B, HIST490, or AAAS490.

**Formerly:** HIST428B.

**HIST492 Women and Society in the Middle East (3 Credits)**

Examines the customs, values and institutions that have shaped women's experience in the Middle East in the past and in the contemporary Middle East.

**Recommended:** Prior coursework in Middle East studies or gender studies.

**Cross-listed with:** WGSS456.

**Credit Only Granted for:** HIST492, WMST456 or WGSS456.

**Formerly:** WMST456.

**HIST495 Women in Medieval Culture and Society (3 Credits)**

Medieval women's identity and cultural roles: the condition, rank and rights of medieval women; their access to power; a study of women's writings and the constraints of social constructs upon the female authorial voice; and contemporary assumptions about women.

**Cross-listed with:** WGSS455.

**Credit Only Granted for:** HIST495, WMST455 or WGSS455.

**Formerly:** WMST455.

**HIST499 Independent Study (1-3 Credits)**

**Restriction:** Permission of ARHU-History department.

**Repeatable to:** 6 credits.

**HIST601 History and Contemporary Theory (3 Credits)**

An introduction to contemporary theories in philosophy, literary criticism, cultural studies, anthropology, and other fields; and analysis of their usefulness to historians.

**HIST607 The Teaching of History in Institutions of Higher Learning (1 Credit)****HIST608 General Seminar (3 Credits)**

General seminar in student's major field of study (e.g., U.S.; Women and Gender; International, World, and Comparative; Science and Technology; Latin America) exploring the concentration's major issues, topics, and literature.

**Restriction:** Permission of ARHU-History department.

**Repeatable to:** 9 credits if content differs.

**HIST609 Readings in the History of Science and Technology (3 Credits)****HIST610 Introduction to Museum Scholarship (3 Credits)**

Provides students a basic understanding of museums as cultural and intellectual institutions. Topics include the historical development of museums, museums as resources for scholarly study, and the museum exhibition as medium for presentation of scholarship.

**Cross-listed with:** AMST655, ANTH655, INST653.

**Credit Only Granted for:** AMST655, ANTH655, HIST610, INST728T or INST653.

**HIST618 Readings in Women's and Gender History (3 Credits)****HIST619 Special Topics in History (1-3 Credits)****HIST628 Readings in Colonial American History to 1763 (3 Credits)**

Major historical literature on various groups and developments in the European colonies that later became the United States through the period ending with the British-French "Great War for Empire."

**HIST629 Readings in the American Revolution and New Nation, 1763 to 1812 (3 Credits)****HIST638 Special Topics in History (3 Credits)**

Special Topics in History.

**Repeatable to:** 9 credits if content differs.

**HIST639 Special Topics in History (3 Credits)**

Special Topics in History.

**Repeatable to:** 9 credits if content differs.

**HIST648 Readings in Early 20th-Century America, 1900-1941 (3 Credits)**

Major historical literature on various groups and developments in the United States between the Progressive Era and the beginning of World War II.

**HIST649 Readings in Recent American History, 1941-Present (3 Credits)**

Key subjects, themes, and historiographic debates in the history of the United States from 1941 to the present.

**HIST658 Readings in American Constitutional and Legal History (3 Credits)**

Historical literature on the American constitutional order from the colonial foundations to the present. The founding and development of political and constitutional institutions examined from the perspectives of law, politics, government and political philosophy.

**HIST659 Readings in American Cultural and Intellectual History (3 Credits)**

Major historical literature pertinent to the cultural/intellectual development of the varied peoples of the United States.

**HIST668 Readings in American Social History (3 Credits)**

Major historical literature related to specific issues in the social history of the United States.

**HIST669 Readings in U.S. Economic and Business History (3 Credits)**

An overview of U.S. economic and business history and historiography from colonial times to the present. Emphasizes the methodologies of "new" economic historians and institutional business historians, the evolving role of the state in the American economy, and cultural dimensions of economic change.

**Repeatable to:** 6 credits.

**HIST678 Readings in American Labor History (3 Credits)**

Major historical literature related to the development of the American working class, the labor movement, and gender/racial/ethnic issue within them.

**HIST679 Readings in the History of American Foreign Policy (3 Credits)**

Major historical literature related to the diplomacy and international relations of the United States.

**HIST688 Special Topics: Collaborative Curation (3 Credits)**

This seminar considers the history of curation and curators within the institutional setting of museums and offers participants the opportunity, and challenge, to engage in curatorial practice by planning an exhibition that focuses on a critical aspect of life at and around the University of Maryland over the years.

**Prerequisite:** AMST655, ANTH655 or HIST610.

**Recommended:** AMST856, ANTH856, or HIST810; and AMST857, ANTH857 or HIST811.

**Cross-listed with:** AMST659, ANTH659, INST788.

**Restriction:** Must have permission of the Museum Studies and Material Culture program.

**Repeatable to:** 6 credits if content differs.

**Additional Information:** Students enrolled in the MSMC (Museum Studies and Material Culture) certificate program will be given priority for enrollment.

**HIST689 Readings in Southern History (3 Credits)**

Major historical literature centered on the development and peoples of the southern United States.

**HIST698 Professional Internship (3 Credits)**

Internship with a professional organization in the historical disciplines or related fields.

**Restriction:** Must be in one of the following programs (History (Master's); History (Doctoral)).

**Repeatable to:** 6 credits if content differs.

**HIST708 Directed Independent Reading for Comprehensive Examinations I (1-4 Credits)**

Directed reading in preparation for Doctoral Comprehensive Examinations. In consultation with their advisors, students will select a number of books and articles from an approved list. Grading for the course will reflect performance on the written and oral sections of the Comprehensive Examinations.

**Restriction:** Permission of ARHU-History department.

**Repeatable to:** 12 credits if content differs.

**HIST709 Directed Independent Reading for Comprehensive Examinations II (1-4 Credits)**

Directed reading in preparation for Doctoral Comprehensive Examinations. In consultation with their advisors, students will select a number of books and articles from an approved list. Grading for the course will reflect performance on the written and oral sections of the Comprehensive Examinations.

**Repeatable to:** 12 credits if content differs.

**HIST711 Final Project in Historic Preservation II (2 Credits)**

An independent, applied research project investigating the preservation of a particular site or a specialized issue in historic preservation. This is part two of a two-semester sequence and involves project research and writing.

**Credit Only Granted for:** HISP700 or HISP711.

**Formerly:** HISP700.

**HIST718 Readings in Medieval History (3 Credits)****HIST719 Readings in the History of the Renaissance and Reformation (3 Credits)****HIST720 Readings in the History of the Catholic Church (3 Credits)**

This is graduate-level readings seminar in the modern history of the Catholic Church. We will begin with the Reformation and proceed through the present day. This course will combine European history with global history, looking both at how the Church changed in the face of major turning points in modern European history (the Scientific, French, and Russian Revolutions; the two world wars; and the Cold War) and at its missionary encounters and long-term presence across the world (in Latin America, India, China, Africa, and North America).

**HIST729 Readings in Modern European History (3 Credits)**

Reading knowledge of some European language recommended but not required.

**HIST739 Readings in the History of Great Britain (3 Credits)****HIST748 Readings in Modern French History (3 Credits)****HIST749 Readings in German History, 1815 to the Present (3 Credits)**

Reading knowledge of German is encouraged, but not required.

**Repeatable to:** 9 credits if content differs.

**HIST758 Readings in Eastern European History (3 Credits)**

Selected topics in the history of the Hapsburg monarchy and the successor states, Poland and the Balkans. Emphasis on the rise of nationalism during the 19th century and the experience with fascism and communism in the 20th century.

**Repeatable to:** 6 credits if content differs.

**HIST759 Readings in Russian and Soviet History (3 Credits)****HIST768 Readings in Chinese History (3 Credits)****HIST778 Readings in Latin American History (3 Credits)****HIST779 Readings in Middle Eastern History (3 Credits)****HIST789 Readings in Modern European Intellectual History (3 Credits)****HIST798 Readings in Jewish History (3 Credits)**

Readings on selected topics in Jewish history. Emphasis on analysis of primary sources. Reading knowledge of Hebrew recommended.

**Repeatable to:** 6 credits.

**HIST799 Master's Thesis Research (1-6 Credits)****HIST808 Seminar in the History of Science and Technology (3 Credits)****HIST809 Seminar in the History of Women and Gender (3 Credits)**

**Repeatable to:** 9 credits if content differs.

**HIST810 Museum Research Seminar (3 Credits)**

A research seminar focusing on the practice and presentation of cultural and historical scholarship in museums and historical sites. Students will complete an original research project on the challenges and opportunities of public exhibition and interpretation of cultural and historical research.

**Prerequisite:** AMST655, ANTH655, or HIST610.

**Cross-listed with:** AMST856, ANTH856, INST786.

**Credit Only Granted for:** AMST856, ANTH856, HIST810, INST728U or INST786.

**HIST811 Museum Scholarship Practicum (3-6 Credits)**

Students devise and carry out a research program using the collections at the Smithsonian Institution or some other cooperating museum, working under joint supervision of a museum professional and a university faculty member.

**Prerequisite:** AMST856, ANTH856, or HIST810.

**Cross-listed with:** AMST857, ANTH857, INST787.

**Restriction:** Permission of Museum Scholarship Program required.

**Credit Only Granted for:** AMST857, ANTH857, HIST811, INST728I or INST787.

**HIST819 Special Topics in History: Independent Research (1-3 Credits)**

Individual graduate research in an area not covered by current seminar offerings. The product will be a finished research paper normally based on original materials.

**Restriction:** Must be in History program; and permission of ARHU-History department.

**Repeatable to:** 6 credits if content differs.

**HIST829 Seminar in Latin American History (3 Credits)****HIST838 Seminar in Ancient History (3 Credits)**

**Restriction:** Permission of instructor.

**Repeatable to:** 6 credits.

**HIST839 Seminar in Medieval and Early Modern European History (3 Credits)****HIST848 Seminar in Modern European History (3 Credits)****HIST849 Seminar in Russian and Soviet History (3 Credits)****HIST869 Seminar in Recent American History (3 Credits)****HIST878 Seminar in Colonial American History (3 Credits)****HIST879 Seminar in the American Revolution and Formative Period (3 Credits)****HIST888 Seminar in the Middle Period and Civil War (3 Credits)****HIST898 Pre-Candidacy Research (1-8 Credits)****HIST899 Doctoral Dissertation Research (1-8 Credits)**