BACHELOR OF ARTS IN HISTORY

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As a history major, you take a broad range of courses that introduce you to aspects of history from a wide variety of perspectives and time periods. All history majors must take at least two courses in American history, two courses in European history, and two courses in world history. Students also take a required course in historical writing, and majors take a junior level seminar on historiography that introduces them to the actual production of historical knowledge and the creation of historical narratives and interpretive frameworks. In addition, all history majors have an experiential learning requirement that can be filled through a study abroad experience, an internship in history, or by taking the Introduction to Public History course HS 202. In their senior year, all history students write a senior thesis that gives them a chance to put into practice everything they have learned throughout their work in the major. The remainder of the required 36 credits in history is made up of history electives chosen by students based on their interests in consultation with their adviser. Through a history major at Quinnipiac, you will gain a broad understanding of past events, plus critical thinking skills and writing expertise, all of which will prepare you for a number of careers, from curator of a museum exhibit on Middle Eastern art to grant writer for a large teaching hospital. If you have a talent for languages, you could become an intelligence officer with the FBI, or you can choose to continue your education with a graduate degree in education, law or medicine.

Students normally apply for admission to the major during their sophomore year. Applications must be made to, and approved by, the chairperson. Acceptance is usually approved for all applicants in good standing academically.

Continuation in the major is dependent upon a satisfactory level of performance in all courses, with special reference to work in history. In addition to the CAS requirements, students majoring in history must take 6 credits of European history courses, 6 credits of American history courses, 6 credits of global history courses, four elective courses (300 level or above), and several specified history classes including HS 202, HS 303 and HS 408.

Note about internships: The department is able to provide student internships with area historical societies and also attempts to place qualified students in credit-related internships with area governmental organizations.

BA in History Curriculum

Students majoring in history must meet the following requirements for graduation:

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Select four electives 300 level or above 12
HS 201 Historical Writing 3
HS 303 Historiography 3
HS 408 Seminars in History 3
Free Electives 14-17
Total Credits 120-126

1. All students must complete the University Curriculum (http://catalog.qu.edu/academics/university-curriculum) requirements.
2. Students must complete the College of Arts and Sciences Curriculum (http://catalog.qu.edu/arts-sciences/cas-curriculum) requirements specific to their major. See details below.
3. No more than three courses may be at the 100 level.
4. The minimum requirement (36 credits) must be met with a grade of C or better in all courses.
5. Some courses will fill more than one requirement. Students take a total of 36 history credits.

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College of Arts and Sciences Curriculum

The College of Arts and Sciences offers bachelor of arts and bachelor of science degrees. Students earning either degree must complete one foreign language through the 102-level, and all students are encouraged to pursue a balanced program of study.

In addition, students earning a bachelor of arts degree must fulfill separate requirements for breadth and depth of study.

For the breadth requirement, students must complete at least 3 credits in each of the four CAS disciplinary areas other than the area of the student’s major. These areas are fine arts, humanities, natural sciences and social sciences. A course taken to fulfill the CAS breadth requirement may not also be used to fulfill a UC requirement.

For the depth requirement, students must complete at least 9 credits within a single subject area other than that of the major. (A “subject area” is identified with a catalog subject code, such as PL, CJ, WS, MA, etc.)

A student enrolled in the Accelerated Dual-Degree BA/JD or BS/JD (3+3) program is exempt from these College of Arts and Sciences requirements, with the exception of the foreign language requirement. A student pursuing a double major is likewise exempt from these College of Arts and Sciences requirements, with the exception of the foreign language requirement.

Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the program, students will achieve the following competencies:

1. Critical thinking: Analyze, synthesize and evaluate historical information from multiple sources.
2. Inquiry and analysis: Distinguish between fact and fiction by employing a full range of techniques and methods used to gain historical knowledge while understanding that there is no one historical truth.
3. **Effective communication:** Produce a polished and thoroughly researched written work of history that engages with both primary sources and the secondary literature.

4. **Diversity and cultural awareness:** Become familiar with multiple cultures and diverse people from around the world and in different time periods.

5. **Oral communication:** Convey their historical knowledge verbally through public presentations.

6. **Historical knowledge:** Develop an understanding of the general chronology of the past and demonstrate an understanding of cause and effect in history.

**Admission Requirements: College of Arts and Sciences**

The requirements for admission into the undergraduate College of Arts and Sciences programs are the same as those for admission to Quinnipiac University.

Admission to the university is competitive, and applicants are expected to present a strong college prep program in high school. Prospective freshmen are strongly encouraged to file an application as early in the senior year as possible, and arrange to have first quarter grades sent from their high school counselor as soon as they are available.

For detailed admission requirements, including required documents, please visit the Admissions (http://catalog.qu.edu/general-information/admissions) page of this catalog.