

HISTORY: MUSEUM STUDIES TRACK (BA)

Program Description

The Museum Studies Track supplements the History major core with coursework that helps you prepare for graduate study and employment in the vigorous and innovative field of museum studies and public history.

Entering and Completing the Major

In order to earn a degree, you must complete at least one academic major. SPU encourages students to explore various academic paths, so if you change your mind about a major, or want to include an additional program, you are able to do so, as outlined below.

Note that the University encourages you to enter your chosen major(s) as soon as you have determined it and are eligible to join it, especially by the start of your junior year. Students who transfer as juniors and seniors should enter a major within their first two quarters at SPU.

- If this is your first quarter at SPU and you identified a major in this department as your first choice on your application for admission to the University, you have gained entry to the major. To change or add a major, follow these instructions (<https://spu.atlassian.net/l/cp/a3th1keb/>).
- If you are an SPU student with an SPU cumulative GPA of 2.0 or better, follow these instructions (<https://spu.atlassian.net/l/cp/a3th1keb/>) to enter a major in this department.
- The University requires a grade of C- or better in all classes that apply to a major; however, programs may require higher minimum grades in specific courses. You may repeat an SPU course only once for a higher grade.
- To advance in this program, meet with your faculty advisor regularly to discuss your grades, course progression, and other indicators of satisfactory academic progress. If your grades or other factors indicate that you may not be able to successfully complete the major or minor, your faculty advisor can work with you to explore options, which may include choosing a different major.
- You must complete the major requirements that are in effect in the SPU Undergraduate Catalog for the year you enter the major.

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71 Credits Minimum, Including 30 Upper Division (UD)

Code	Title	Credits
Thinking Historically		
HIS 2857	Historiography: World Historians	3
Select one of the following:		5
HIS 1357	The Game of Life: World War II	
HIS 1490	Life and Death in World Cities	
HIS 1734	War on Terror: History of Our Lives	
Section Credits Required		8
Understanding Systems in History		
UCOR 2000	The Emergence of the Modern Global System	5
Select one of the following:		5
HIS 2502	The United States to 1876	
HIS 2503	The United States Since 1876	

Section Credits Required		10
Doing History		
HIS 2881	Careers in History: What to Tell My Parents	1
Select one of the following:		3
HIS 3358	Race, Sexuality, and Religion in Postwar Europe	
HIS 3725	Women and Gender in the Middle East	
HIS 3767	Religion, Revolution and Social Changes in China	
HIS 3813	History Online	
Section Credits Required		4
Structured Electives Before 1800		
Select one of the following:		5
HIS 2417	Religious Traditions of Asia	
HIS 3200	Ancient and Medieval Worlds	
Section Credits Required		5
Structured Electives After 1800 (3-5 CR)		
Select one of the following:		3
HIS 2418	Modern Expressions of Asian Religions	
HIS/POL 3440	War, Peace World Order	
HIS/POL 3670	History of United States Foreign Relations	
Section Credits Required		3
Structured Electives: World Regional Surveys		
Select at two from the following		10
HIS 3720	Rise of Islamic Civilization	
HIS 3730	History of the Modern Middle East	
HIS/SOC 3750	Latin America	
HIS 3765	Family, State and Patriarchy in East Asia	
HIS 3785	Trade, War, and The Making of East Asian Modernities	
HIS 3786	Nation, City and Identity in China: From Opium Wars to Megacities	
HIS 3790	History of Africa	
Section Credits Required		10
Structured Electives: Christian Perspectives on Problems in History (3-5 CR)		
Select one of the following:		3
HIS 3387	Christianity in Asia	
HIS 3406/ THEO 3303	Christianity in America	
HIS 3444	Humanitarianism: Promises and Problems	
HIS 3448	Refugees and Human Trafficking: History of Forced Migration and the Law	
HIS 3788	Pandemics, Empire and Survival of Asia and the World	
Section Credits Required		3
Museum Studies Core		
HIS 2870	Introduction to Museum Studies and Public History	5
HIS 3600	History of the Pacific Northwest	5
or HIS 4600	Pacific Northwest Senior Tutorial	
HIS 3871	Archives: History, Theory and Practice	3
or HIS 3872	Museum Education	
HIS 4949	Applied History Internship	3
Section Credits Required		16

Museum Studies Electives

ART 3606	Cross-Cultural Encounters
ART 3608	Issues in Contemporary Art and Visual Culture
ART 3611	Reading Images: An Introduction to Visual Studies
BUS 3670	Management in the Nonprofit Sector
HIS/CLA 3100	Ancient Civilization
HIS/CLA 3170	Classical Civilization
HIS 3366	The Holocaust in Prague: Jewish Experiences
HIS 4905	Museum Appreciation and Critical Encounter
HIS 4930	Mentoring Practicum

Section Credits Required	5
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Capstone

HIS 4899	History Capstone	3
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Section Credits Required	8
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Additional course(s) from above if needed to reach 71	4
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Total Credits	71
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Suggested Course Sequence

Note: There is flexibility in this program. We also provide completion checklists for all History students.

Course	Title	Credits
Freshman		
Select one of the following WKSS courses:		5
HIS 1357	The Game of Life: World War II	
HIS 1490	Life and Death in World Cities	
HIS 1734	War on Terror: History of Our Lives	
HIS 2881	Careers in History: What to Tell My Parents	1
HIS 2870	Introduction to Museum Studies and Public History ¹	5
Credits		11
Sophomore		
UCOR 2000	The Emergence of the Modern Global Systems ²	5
HIS 2857	Historiography: World Historians	3
HIS 2502	The United States to 1876	5
or HIS 2503	or The United States Since 1876	
Structured Electives		5-10
Credits		18-23
Junior		
Select one of the following Junior-Level Research Seminar Courses ³		3
HIS 3358	Race, Sexuality, and Religion in Postwar Europe	
HIS 3387	Christianity in Asia	
HIS 3725	Women and Gender in the Middle East	
HIS 3767	Religion, Revolution and Social Changes in China	
HIS 3600	History of the Pacific Northwest ⁴	5
HIS 3871	Archives: History, Theory and Practice ⁴	3
or HIS 3872	or Museum Education	
Structured Electives		5-10
Credits		16-21
Senior		
HIS 4899	History Capstone ⁶	3
HIS 4949	Applied History Internship	3
Structured Electives		5-10
Credits		11-16
Total Credits		56-71

³ All but HIS 3358 Race, Sexuality, and Religion in Postwar Europe are 3 credits

⁴ Typically offered in Autumn Quarter

⁵ Typically offered in Spring

⁶ Offered in Autumn Quarter

¹ Note this course is offered every other year so students must plan accordingly.

² Offered every quarter.