

HONOURS BA HISTORY

History is the discipline that focuses on the diverse and complex ways that individuals and groups have created and adjusted to change over thousands of years around the world. In studying change over time, history students learn to interpret evidence of human thought and behavior, in order to understand the impact of individual and collective decision-making, the changing relationships among people and societies, and between humans and their environment.

This program is offered in English and in French.

Learn more about this program (<https://www.uottawa.ca/faculty-arts/history/undergraduate-studies/>)

Program Requirements

Co-operative education is available with this program.

The French immersion stream is available with this program.

Requirements for this program have been modified. Please consult the 2025-2026 calendars (<http://catalogue.uottawa.ca/en/archives/>) for the previous requirements.

Basic Skills

ENG 1100	Workshop in Essay Writing	3 Units
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3 course units from:	3 Units
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PHI 1101	Reasoning and Critical Thinking
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PHI 1301	Philosophy: Ideas and Arguments
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3 course units from:	3 Units
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AHL 1100	Introduction to Interdisciplinary Study in the Arts ¹
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AHL 1900	Introduction to Interdisciplinary Study in the Arts ¹
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ENG 1120	Selected Topics in Literature and Composition
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3 course units from:	3 Units
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AHL 1100	Introduction to Interdisciplinary Study in the Arts ¹
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AHL 1900	Introduction to Interdisciplinary Study in the Arts ¹
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PHI 1102	Moral Reasoning
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PHI 1103	Fundamental Philosophical Questions
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PHI 1104	Great Philosophers
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PHI 1302	Philosophy: Themes and Texts
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Total:	12 Units
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Compulsory courses at the 1000 level

6 course units from:	6 Units
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HIS 1100	History Labs
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HIS 1101	The Making of Canada
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HIS 1110	Introduction to Global History
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HIS 1111	The Twentieth-Century World from 1945
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HIS 1120	What Is Europe? (16th-21st Century)
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Compulsory courses at the 2000 level

HIS 2100	The Historian's Craft	3 Units
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3 course units from:	3 Units
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HIS 2197	Philosophy of History
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HIS 3105	From Source to Text
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Optional courses

12 course units of seminars in history (HIS) at the 4000 level	12 Units
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12 optional course units in history (HIS) at the 3000 or 4000 level	12 Units
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24 optional course units in history (HIS) at the 2000, 3000 or 4000 level	24 Units
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Total:	60 Units
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Elective Courses

48 elective course units	48 Units
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Total:	48 Units
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The electives may be replaced by a combination of a Minor, Microprogram(s) (http://catalogue.uottawa.ca/en/undergrad/honours-ba-history/en/programs/#filter=filter_19&filter_170&filter_27), and/or elective units.

Note(s)

¹ This course has variable topics. Students may take this course twice.