# History: Bachelor of Arts Major

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Implementation Date	01-Sep-2015
Start Date(s)	September January May
Intake Type	Open intake
Instructional Cycle	Semester-based
Program Type	Undergraduate
Credential Granted	Baccalaureate Degree
Offered At	Langley Richmond Surrey
Format	Full-time Part-time
How to Apply	www.kpu.ca/admission

### DESCRIPTION

The Bachelor of Arts, Major in History, provides students with the opportunity to study the many peoples and cultures whose contributions have created the world in which we live today. The degree allows students to develop the knowledge, core competencies, and skills characteristic of a traditional BA program, while preparing them to respond creatively and innovatively to a range of challenges in our community and our world. Whether they pursue a general History BA, or choose a specialization in either the Asian or Military History streams, students will gain the literacy and analytical skills essential in today's labour market. Equally importantly, students will become better-informed citizens of our increasingly interconnected world. Our degree students will also benefit from our faculty's commitment to teaching excellence and from the small class sizes at KPU.

History students begin their studies with courses that broadly introduce them to major developments in political and economic history from across the globe, as well as key themes in historical development. Later, they progress to more specifically defined regional courses, considering not only economic and political history, but also social and cultural developments. In lower-level courses, students will begin to build the reading, writing, and research skills necessary to succeed in upper level history courses. At the upper-level, students undertake in-depth studies of particular countries or particular themes in global development. Finally, seminar students examine more focused subjects again considering all aspects of that particular topic.

All History degree programs are reading and writing intensive. For this reason we strongly recommend that students complete the English requirements of the BA degree within their first two years at KPU.

## **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

Students pursuing a major in History must be admitted to the Faculty of Arts.

## **DECLARATION REQUIREMENTS**

Students intending to graduate with this Faculty of Arts Bachelor's degree must declare the credential by the time they complete 60 credits of undergraduate coursework. At the time of declaration, the student must satisfy all of the following requirements:

- In good academic standing with the University
- Completion of a minimum of 18 credits of undergraduate coursework, including the following with a minimum grade of "C":
  - 3 credits of ENGL at the 1100 level or higher
  - 6 credits at the 1100 level or higher in the Major area

## **CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS**

Students pursuing a Bachelor of Arts degree must complete all requirements in the Bachelor of Arts framework in addition to their major or minor program requirements.

Note: A first-year English course, ENGL 1100, is a requirement of this program. This course has prerequisites that may require a student to complete additional preparatory courses.

## **History Major**

The following major requirements are to be completed for the Bachelor of Arts, Major in History program.

Students are required to complete 12 credits of lower-level history courses with 6 of these credits at the 2000 level.

1000 Level		
HIST 1113	Canada to 1867	3 credits
HIST 1114	Canada since 1867	3 credits
HIST 1120	Europe 1900–1939	3 credits
HIST 1121	Europe since 1939	3 credits
HIST 1130	Twentieth Century World I: 1900–1945	3 credits
HIST 1131	Twentieth Century World II: 1945-2000	3 credits
HIST 1145	American History 1607–1865	3 credits
HIST 1146	American History 1865–1974	3 credits
HIST 1150	Introduction to Traditional East Asia	3 credits
HIST 1160	Introduction to South Asian History	3 credits
HIST 1170	Introduction to African History	3 credits
2000 Level		
HIST 2101	Europe in the Middle Ages	3 credits
HIST 2102	Europe 1450–1789	3 credits
HIST 2119	Europe 1789–1914	3 credits
HIST 2150 or ASIA 2150	Tea in China and Japan	3 credits
HIST 2156 or	Martial Arts of China and	3 credits

Japan

ASIA 2156

HIST 2300	Introduction to World Civilizations	3 credits
HIST 2301	The Ancient World	3 credits
HIST 2304	Canadian-American Relations	3 credits
HIST 2307	Twentieth Century Britain	3 credits
HIST 2315	Canadian Crime in Historical Perspective	3 credits
HIST 2335	War in the Modern World	3 credits
HIST 2350	Late Imperial China	3 credits
HIST 2355	The Chinese Overseas: A Global History of Chinese Migration	3 credits
HIST 2375	Japan under the Shoguns, 1600 to 1868	3 credits
HIST 2380	Global Environmental History	3 credits

To graduate with a BA Major in History, students must complete at least 30 credits of HIST courses at the 3000 or 4000 level, including at least 9 credits of HIST courses at the 4000 level of which 3 credits must be HIST 4400.

#### 3000 and 4000 Level

#### Required:

HIST 4400	Applications of History	3 credits
And:		
27 credits of HIST courses at the 3000 or 4000 level, including at least 6 credits in addition to HIST 4400 at the 4000 level.		
	Course Descriptions section for a full listing of current	

Note: HIST 4499 - Selected Topics in History may be repeated more than once for credit, to a maximum of 12 credits. Depending on the topic, HIST 4499 may be applicable to either the Asian or Military History stream.

#### **ASIAN HISTORY STREAM**

1000 Level

HIST 2150 or

**ASIA 2150** 

Students who wish to focus their studies on Asian History are recommended to complete their program requirements using courses from the following:

HIST 1130	Twentieth Century World I: 1900–1945	3 credits
HIST 1131	Twentieth Century World II: 1945-2000	3 credits
HIST 1150	Introduction to Traditional East Asia	3 credits
HIST 1160	Introduction to South Asian History	3 credits
2000 Level		

Tea in China and Japan

HIST 4455	Sages and Statecraft in China
HIST 4460	Gandhi in History
HIST 4470	Warriors of Japan: The Samurai
HIST 4480	The Vietnam War in

#### **MILITARY HISTORY STREAM**

HIST 2156 or

ASIA 2156 HIST 2300

HIST 2350

**HIST 2355** 

HIST 2375

3000 Level

ASIA 3140 HIST 3149 or

ASIA 3149 HIST 3150 or

**ASIA 3150** 

HIST 3350

**HIST 3360** 

HIST 3361

**HIST 3370** 

HIST 3380

**4000 Level** HIST 4400

**HIST 4450** 

HIST 3140 or

Martial Arts of China and

Introduction to World

Late Imperial China

The Chinese Overseas: A

Global History of Chinese

Japan under the Shoguns,

Environment and Society in

Hong Kong: Past, Present,

East Asian Immigrants to

China in the Twentieth

Century: Reforms and

British India, 1857-1947

The Indian Subcontinent

World War II in the Pacific

Applications of History

China & the West

Japan

Civilizations

Migration

East Asia

and Future

North America

Revolutions

since 1947

(required)

Modern Japan

1600 to 1868

3 credits

Students who wish to focus their studies on Military History are recommended to complete their program requirements using courses from the following:

Historical Perspective

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1000 Level		
HIST 1113	Canada to 1867	3 credits
HIST 1114	Canada since 1867	3 credits
HIST 1120	Europe 1900–1939	3 credits
HIST 1121	Europe since 1939	3 credits
HIST 1130	Twentieth Century World I: 1900–1945	3 credits
HIST 1131	Twentieth Century World II: 1945-2000	3 credits

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3 credits

HIST 1145	American History 1607–1865	3 credits
HIST 1146	American History 1865–1974	3 credits
2000 Level		
HIST 2335	War in the Modern World	3 credits
HIST 2375	Japan under the Shoguns	3 credits
3000 Level		
HIST 3340	Civil War and Reconstruction	3 credits
HIST 3346	History of the American Revolution 1760-1791	3 credits
HIST 3380	World War II in the Pacific	3 credits
HIST 3390	Canada & World War One	3 credits
HIST 3392	British Home Front during World War II	3 credits
HIST 3397	Guerillas in the Mist: Terrorism in the Twentieth Century	3 credits
4000 Level		
HIST 4400	Applications of History (required)	3 credits
HIST 4420	Europe in the 'Age of the Dictators'	
HIST 4435	Genocide in the Twentieth Century	3 credits
HIST 4470	Warriors of Japan: The Samurai	3 credits
HIST 4480	The Vietnam War in Historical Perspective	3 credits
HIST 4485	The Great Strategists	3 credits
HIST 4497	Canada and World War II	3 credits

# **CREDENTIAL AWARDED**

Upon successful completion of the major program students are eligible to receive a **Bachelor of Arts**. Transcripts will indicate a **Major in History**.