



# THE UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG

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## History

*History is the study of past individuals and groups, processes and events, and ideas and institutions.*

Historians examine a variety of evidence from written, oral, material, and visual sources to help them interpret the past. As a student of history, you will explore the careers of major figures, like Marie Curie and Mahatma Gandhi, Martin Luther and Martin Luther King Jr., Chief Peguis and Justice Murray Sinclair. You will also study the everyday experiences of men and women who have worked to secure their own livelihoods and shape their own destinies.

The Department offers a wide range of courses across time and space but has particular strengths in

Canadian History  
Indigenous History  
History of Art

History of Medicine and Science  
World History  
Oral History

Historians use insights they gain from their study to evaluate the achievements of the past, to understand the making of the present, and to anticipate the challenges of the future. The study of history will help you to improve your ability to evaluate evidence and to present your interpretations of it in clear and logical written and oral arguments.

The University of Winnipeg's History Department offers courses designed to lead you, in stages, to an understanding of the historian's craft and the historical process. Our package of first year courses is designed to introduce you to History as a study of global interconnections. At the upper level, you may focus on particular national regional, or thematic histories. This program leads to a **Bachelor of Arts degree (3-year, 4-year, or Honours)**.

Students taking an undergraduate degree in another Major may choose to add a Minor in History as a secondary area of interest.

After completing an undergraduate degree, students may continue on to the History Department's Joint Master's program. This program is offered by The University of Winnipeg in cooperation with the University of Manitoba.

### SAMPLE CAREERS

The skills students develop -- reading, document review, synthesis, writing, public speaking, interviewing, time management -- are invaluable in virtually all workplace settings and especially in business, law, government, and journalism. Some graduates put their specifically historical knowledge to work as teachers or professional researchers while others find employment in museums, libraries, or archives.

### SAMPLE COURSES

**The 20th Century World** is a second-year course that offers a historical approach to the characteristic problems, new or inherited, of the 20th century. Topics include industrialism, nationalism, balance of power, and racial conflict.

**History of Winnipeg** is a third-year course that examines the history of Winnipeg from the mid-nineteenth century to the present. The lectures and seminars focus on the industrial, social, political, and cultural history of the city and explore this past within the context of the history of Western Canada.

### MORE SAMPLE COURSES

History of the Metis in Canada  
Anti-Semitism and the Holocaust  
Crime and Punishment in Modern American History  
Crusades and Crusaders in the Middle Ages  
Historical Perspectives on Women in Canada  
Women's History in South Asia

History of Disease  
Islam and the West  
Secrets of Museums  
Modern Africa  
Russia Since 1917  
The History of Sexuality

### DID YOU KNOW?

- If you're interested in becoming a teacher, History can be used as a teachable major or minor in the Education program.
- History students have opportunities to work alongside professors to conduct historical research.
- Our most experienced professors teach first year courses. These courses include components of lecture, seminar, and in-class discussion.

### HISTORY STUDENT ASSOCIATION

Belonging to the History Students Association is a great way to meet other students and professors. The Association plans various events throughout the year and meets in the History Common Room, located on the third floor of Ashdown Hall.

### SAMPLE FIRST YEAR

*NOTE: This sample first year is representative of the courses you may take. For many of our programs, you may choose another set of courses and still be well on your way to a degree. Also, for most programs you do not have to take 30 credit hours (five full courses) in your first year.*

History Majors choose two courses among the Department's 1000-level offerings listed below. You can satisfy the Indigenous Course Requirement (ICR) at the 1000 level as well.

Non-ICR Credit	ICR Credit
Europe and the Mediterranean World to 1700	Indigenous History to 1900: Origins, Contact, Colonialism
The Worlds of Asia and Africa to 1750	Indigenous History Since 1900: Racism, Resistance, Renewal
Cross Currents in Global Art	Colonial Genocides and Indigenous History
The Worlds of Asia and Africa since 1750	
The Atlantic World: Europe and the Americas, 1700-1989	

RHET-1101(3) Academic Writing: Humanities or any other section of Academic Writing (if required)

21 credit hours Electives, depending on interest. Examples are first-year courses such as Anthropology, Classics, Conflict Resolution Studies, English, Environmental Studies, International Development Studies, Modern Languages and Literatures, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology, or Women's and Gender Studies

Some Arts students take courses to fulfil the University's Science Requirement in their first year. The History of Science (HIST2900/6) satisfies that requirement. See The University of Winnipeg's Academic Calendar for a complete list of options.

### REQUIRED HIGH SCHOOL COURSES

Students must meet The University of Winnipeg's general admission requirements. No specific courses are required.

### HOW TO APPLY

To find out more information on application requirements, deadlines, and to access the application, please visit [uwinnipeg.ca/apply](http://uwinnipeg.ca/apply).

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