

HISTORY (HIS)

Courses

HIS 563. The United States in the 1970s and 1980s. 3 Credit Hours.

This course explores the major political, social, cultural, and economic shifts in American life during the 1970s and the 1980s. Special areas of focus include the ascendancy of conservatism, the retreat of liberalism, rising economic inequality, women's and gay liberation, the expanding role of the media in American politics, the veneration of corporate America, and expressions of such in the era's popular culture. The relationship of popular history and collective memory with "objective" historical analysis constitutes another area of emphasis.

Prerequisites: This course is a 500 level graduate content course.

Permission of the instructor is required

Session Cycle: Spring

Yearly Cycle: Annual.

HIS 564. United States and China, 1931-1945. 3 Credit Hours.

This course examines the cultural, political, and military dimensions of the complicated wartime alliance between the United States and China during the World War II era. It focuses on the period from the Japanese invasion of Manchuria in September 1931 until early 1950 when the Chinese government seized the U.S. consulate in Beijing after the United States refused to recognize the People's Republic of China. Students explore both primary and secondary sources as they untangle the multifaceted relationship between the United States and China during this critical era in history. The course also examines how and why a major wartime ally became a major adversary during much of the Cold War era. This course is a 500 level graduate course. Permission of the instructor is required.

HIS 597. Directed Graduate Study in History. 3 Credit Hours.

This course is an opportunity to do independent, in depth study or research for graduate school credit. The student works on an individual basis under the direction of a member of the history faculty. The main requirement of the course is the development of a substantial paper or project. This is a 500 level graduate course. Permission of the instructor is required.