The History concentration is very flexible and has only one required course: History 97 (sophomore tutorial)

Sample Advanced Courses

- History 83A (Undergraduate Seminar): Markets and States - The History of Economic Thought Since 1750
- History 1433 (Lecture Course): American Populisms - Thomas Jefferson to the Tea Party
- History 1013 (Lecture Course): Pacific Crossings - Introduction to Asian American History
- History 1937 (Conference Course): Social Revolutions in Latin America
- History 2060 (Graduate Seminar): Topics in High and Late Medieval History

Sample Thesis Titles

- No Fortunate Sons: Vietnam Veterans Against the War and the Transformation of American Civic Culture, 1967-Present
- Letters Of A Woman Homesteader: Representation, Reality, and the Myth of the American West
- From Infamis To Imperator: The Changing Role of the Actor in Late Republican and Early Imperial Rome
- Contagion and Response: African and Co-

Sample Department Research Opportunities

4 kinds of independent research opportunities:
- Term-time independent study for juniors and seniors (History 91R)
- Term-time work with faculty on research projects, “History Lab” (History 92R): offers History concentrators and other students a chance to spend a semester working with History faculty on faculty research projects. Outcomes will include familiarity with a range of digital tools for research and data visualization and insights on how to design and execute a major research project.
- Summer Research Grants (for students planning to write a thesis). Please visit the Undergraduate Program website for more information on summer thesis grants.
- Research Assistantships with faculty members: History faculty members often look for eager and qualified individuals to help them conduct research and prepare for their courses, and in many cases they find good matches among the student body. For students, the chance to be a Research Assistant is one of the best ways to sit at the elbow of a practicing historian and learn the disciplinary techniques and standards that make one’s classroom experience come alive, and which can contribute to writing a stellar senior thesis.

Sample Faculty Research and/or Publications

Lisa McGirr:
- Research: History of the 20th century United States, with particular focus on social and political history, collective action, state building, reform movements, and politics.

Elizabeth Hinton
- Research: Poverty and racial inequality in the 20th century United States, the transformation of domestic social programs and urban policing after the Civil Rights Movement.
- Publication: From the War on Poverty to the War on Crime: The Making of Mass Incarceration in America (2016)

Serhi Plokhi
- Research: The intellectual, cultural, and international history of Eastern Europe, with an emphasis on Ukraine.