

# **University of Central Florida History Department Advising Packet**



# History Department Advising Checklist

*This helpful checklist can guide you in planning your courses to complete a BA in History! <sup>1</sup>*

## Lower Level Courses<sup>2</sup>

- \_\_\_\_\_ : Completed AMH 2010 and 2020 sequence
- \_\_\_\_\_ : Completed EUH 2000/2001 or WOH 2012/2022 sequences<sup>3</sup>

## Upper Level Course Tracks (3000 - 4000)

Select **three** tracks plus the additional course<sup>4</sup>

- \_\_\_\_\_ : Completed 2 upper-level AMH courses
- \_\_\_\_\_ : Completed 2 upper-level LAH courses
- \_\_\_\_\_ : Completed 2 upper-level ASH/AFH courses
- \_\_\_\_\_ : Completed 2 upper-level EUH courses
- \_\_\_\_\_ : Completed 1 additional upper-level course

## Additional Required Upper Level Courses

- \_\_\_\_\_ : Completed HIS 4150 History and Historians
- \_\_\_\_\_ : In your final semester enroll in HIS 4959 and turn in Portfolio

## Non-History Requirements

- \_\_\_\_\_ : Complete the General Education Program (GEP)
- \_\_\_\_\_ : Complete foreign language proficiency (2 semesters of a language)

## Hour Requirements

Completed 36 hours total in History course Completed  
120 total hours

Completed 42\* total upper-level hours

\*48 total upper-level hours if your catalog year is before 21-22

<sup>1</sup>This chart is NOT meant to replace either the degree audit or the requirements in the Undergraduate catalog. Those items are the complete guide to earning your degree. Instead, this chart is designed to clarify items contained in those and other documents

<sup>2</sup>A student must earn a C or higher for most history courses to count towards the major.

<sup>3</sup>In certain cases, with the approval of the History Department, 2 upper-level courses can substitute for one of these sequences

<sup>4</sup>Upper-Level courses are those numbering 3000 and above. Most HIS courses count toward either the upper AMH or EUH categories

# Department of History

## Undergraduate Degree Requirements

*In order to graduate from UCF with a BA in History, you must complete 36 semester hours of history courses with a grade of a "C" or better.*

*A maximum of 18 hours of history courses may be accepted from transfer institutions upon approval of the department chair.*

All majors must:

- Complete twenty-one (21) semester hours of upper division (3000 level and above) history courses with at least six (6) hours in any three (3) of the following four geographic regions:
  - US and Canada (AMH)
  - Asia, Africa, and Middle Eastern (ASH or AFH)
  - British and European (EUH)
  - Latin America (LAH)
- Complete HIS 4150 (History and Historians) - 3hrs.
- Submit a final portfolio of 8-12 graded works
  - This will include representative samples of student's written work included but not limited to: book reviews, in-class exams, and research papers.
- Meet the following GPA requirements:
  - minimum 2.0 GPA in all completed courses
  - minimum 2.0 GPA in all courses taken at UCF
  - minimum 2.0 GPA in all history courses
- Meet the following university exit requirements:
  - minimum of 120 semester hours
  - minimum 42\* semester hours in 3000 level courses or higher
  - the last 30 semester hours must be completed at UCF for residency requirement
- Complete two (2) semesters of one foreign language.
  - These two semesters may have been taken at a transfer institution or may be taken upon entering UCF. This requirement may also be met by passing a language proficiency test at UCF.
  - Majors who are contemplating graduate school should complete three semesters of a foreign language, preferable one functional in their area of historical interest.

\*minimum 48 semester hours in 3000 level courses or higher if your catalog year is before 21-22

# Judaic Studies Course Conversion

• JST3149 The Jewish View of Jesus	counts as ASH
• JST3401 Jewish People in Antiquity	counts as ASH
• JST3402 Jewish People in the Common Era	counts as AMH, ASH, EUH, or LAH
• JST3415 American Jewish History	counts as AMH
• JST3417 Sephardi Jews: History, Culture, and Folklore	counts as ASH, EUH, or LAH
• JST3701 History of the Holocaust	counts as EUH
• JST3820 Modern Israeli Culture	counts as ASH
• JST3821 Israel: Start up Nation	counts as ASH
• JST3144 The Dead Sea Scrolls	counts as ASH
• JST 3424 Biblical Archaeology	counts as ASH
• JST 3450 Modern Jewish Experience	counts as AMH, ASH, or EUH

## Other History Course Conversions

The following upper-level courses can convert to ASH, AMH, EUH, or LAH courses:

- Judaic Studies (JST)
- World History (WOH)
- General History (HIS)

Examples:

JST3149: The Jewish View of Jesus can count as ASH if needed

HIS3462: History of Science can count as EUH if needed

HIS4323: History of the Future can count as AMH or EUH if needed

WOH4272: Age of Atlantic Revolutions 1763-1826 can count as AMH, EUH, or LAH if needed

# Why study History at UCF?



The History Department at UCF offers many opportunities for students to gain experiences both in and out of the classroom that help prepare students for careers in a wide variety of fields including Academia, Law, Non-Profit, Museums, Archives, and many others.

*In addition to the courses offered at UCF, the History department offers several other ways to get the most out of your Undergraduate degree.*

## GET THE MOST OUT OF YOUR HISTORY DEGREE

☐ *Take a minor to diversify your academic experience*

*Write an Honors Undergraduate Thesis to gain Research experience* ☐

☐ *Work in the community through a History Internship*

*Fast track your Masters with the Accelerated Undergrad/Grad Program* ☐

☐ *Find funding opportunities*

# Minor Programs

*Are you an undergraduate at UCF who is looking for ways to diversify your University experience and gain skills that can help you in your career?*

Each Minor offers history courses as part of the coursework requirements. For a detailed description of each minor and a list of the required course check the course catalog at:

***ucf.edu/catalog***

## CONTACT

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HISTORY@UCF.EDU  
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## Minors Offered

### History Minor

Contact: History Office  
History@ucf.edu

### Africana Studies Minor

Contact: Dr. Fon Gordon  
Fon.Gordon@ucf.edu

### Florida Studies Minor

Contact: Dr. James Clark  
James.Clark@ucf.edu

### Judaic Studies Minor

Contact: Dr. Kenneth Hanson  
Kenneth.Hanson@ucf.edu

### Middle Eastern Studies Minor

Contact: Dr. Hakan Ozoglu  
Hakan.Ozoglu@ucf.edu

### Russian Studies Minor

Contact: Dr. Valdimir Solonari  
Vladimir.Solonari@ucf.edu

### Pre-Law for the Humanities

Contact: Patricia Farless  
Patricia.Farless@ucf.edu

### American Studies

Contact: Peter Larson  
Peter.Larson@ucf.edu

## HOW TO APPLY

- 1 Check the detailed requirements of each minor at [ucf.edu/catalog](http://ucf.edu/catalog)
- 2 Contact the coordinator for the minor you are interested in and discuss the steps moving forward

# Internships

## WOULD YOU LIKE TO...

- Create museum exhibits?
- Edit scholarly journals?
- Conduct oral histories?
- Digitize historical documents?
- Archive artifacts?

Internships provide an opportunity for History Students to gain experiences outside of the classroom while still obtaining course credit.

Students interested in doing an internship should check the requirements and make an appointment to meet with Dr. Scot French, Director of Public History: [scot.french@ucf.edu](mailto:scot.french@ucf.edu)

## GET EXPERIENCE IN THE FIELD!

### INTERNSHIP PARTNERS

Florida Historical Society  
Holocaust Museum & Education Center  
Florida Historical Quarterly  
Florida Public Archaeology Network Casa  
Feliz Historic Home  
RICHES  
LGBTQ History Museum of Central Florida



## Internship Requirements

12 hrs History Coursework Completed  
3.0 minimum GPA  
10-12 hrs/wk work availability  
Visit [publichistory.cah.ucf.edu/internships](http://publichistory.cah.ucf.edu/internships)  
for more information

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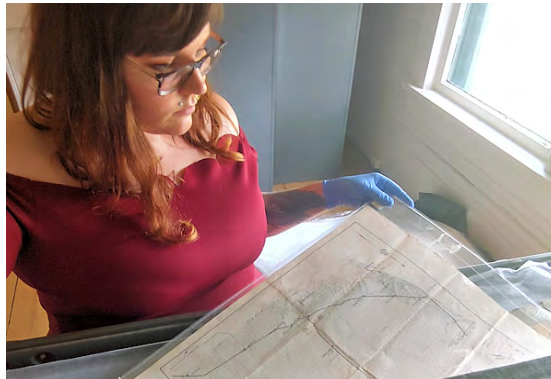


# Student Engagement in the Department

RICHES Mosaic Interface™ is a searchable database of central Florida artifacts, a visualization tool for results data, and an innovative way to analyze search data. Internships, volunteer opportunities, and class projects give students a chance to gain integral real-world experience. Our interns get relevant and engaging experience working on education, digitization, and preservation projects.



[riches.cah.ucf.edu](http://riches.cah.ucf.edu)



The UCF Community Veterans History Project collects, preserves, and makes accessible to the public the experiences of Central Florida's veterans. Students interview veterans to preserve the history of military experience in the United States military while also exposing them to military life and gaining experience in collecting oral histories.



[vetstories.cah.ucf.edu](http://vetstories.cah.ucf.edu)



# Be Involved!

## Join Phi Alpha Theta

The Alpha Gamma Chi chapter of Phi Alpha Theta (PAT) at UCF is an active student organization that combines our Honors society and History Club. PAT hosts a variety of events throughout the school year, including academic workshops and social and charitable activities. All are welcome to attend and participate in all PAT events and activities. We hold membership drives each fall and spring semester and an annual induction ceremony in the spring. Please email us for information.

## Attend events and lectures

- Shofner Lecture Series on Florida Culture & History
- Pauley Lecture Series on Global Affairs
- Phi Alpha Theta Distinguished Lecture Series
- John T. Washington Lecture Series
- James Weldon Johnson Lecture Series
- How to Get into Grad School Workshop
- Graduate Fair
- History Department Open House
- Faculty Research Lectures and Book Talks
- RICHES Oral History Workshop
- Judaic Studies Lecture Series
- Hands-On History Internship Showcase
- Faculty and Student Film Premieres and Screenings
- UCF Celebrates the Arts
- And more! Check our events calendar for updates

## Connect with us

Twitter: @UCF\_History

Facebook: @UCFHistory

YouTube: UCF Department of History

Website: [history.cah.ucf.edu](http://history.cah.ucf.edu)



# Honors Undergraduate Thesis

## CONDUCT UNDERGRAD RESEARCH & PRESENT AT CONFERENCES!

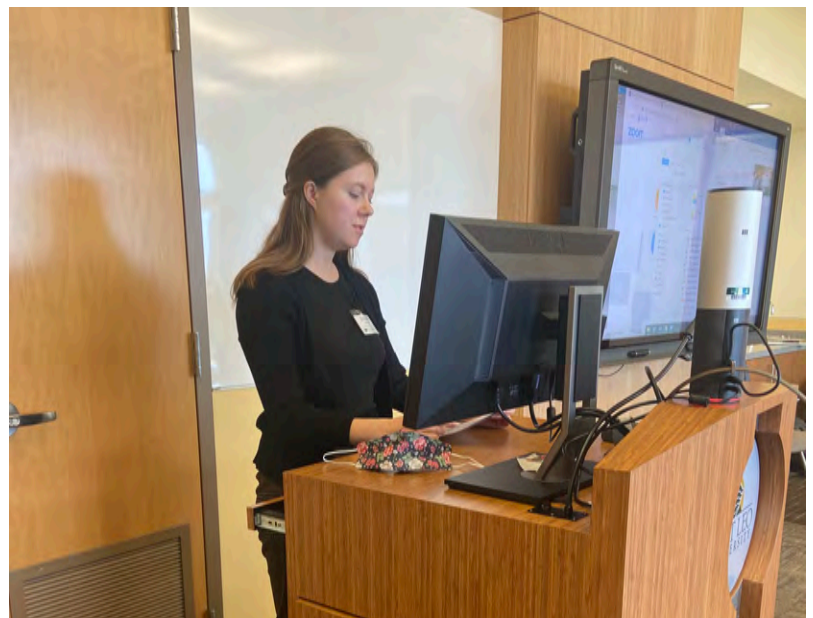
The Honors Undergraduate Thesis (HUT) Program, is designed to encourage the best juniors and seniors to undertake original and independent work in their major field.

Established in 1989, Honors in the Major is the oldest and most prestigious undergraduate research program at UCF. It is the only undergraduate research program on campus in which students are required to undertake original and innovative research as principal investigators

### Admission Requirements

At a minimum, the following criteria must be met for admission into the Honors Undergraduate Thesis program:

- Sixty (60) completed hours of college credit
- Twelve (12) completed upper division hours
- At least a 3.4 UCF GPA or Overall GPA
- At least two semesters remaining prior to graduation



## CONTACT

Check the website for more information: [honors.ucf.edu/hut/about](https://honors.ucf.edu/hut/about) or email [honors@ucf.edu](mailto:honors@ucf.edu) to make an appointment and discuss the HUT process with the Office of Honors Research

# ACCELERATED UNDERGRAD/ GRAD PROGRAM

## Are you interested in pursing a graduate degree in history?

The History department offers an accelerated Undergraduate to Graduate program to allow undergrads to take graduate level courses that will count towards their master's degree while completing their Bachelors Degree.

### Admission Requirements

- Apply for admission toward the end of your Junior year
- Must have 12 hours of upper-level history coursework
- 3.5 GPA or better in history courses
- 3.25 overall GPA
- A substantial academic writing sample between 2000 and 5000 words illustrating the applicant's ability to engage in historical research and analysis. Acceptable writing samples may include a chapter from an honors thesis, a conference paper, or a term paper.
- Completion of Graduate Application, including essay indicating reasons for desiring to complete the accelerated program
- Three letters of recommendation from History Department faculty



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# FUNDING

There are several opportunities for scholarships in our department, college, and the university. Check your Knights e-mail for scholarship alerts from the History Department!



## Department

### **Dr. Thomas Greenhaw History Scholarship** (\$500)

Open to all History Students  
Undergraduate and Graduate  
Awarded Annually

**Deadline:** Rolling

### **John T. Washington Scholarships** (\$250-\$500)

Open to all Africana Studies  
Minors  
Awarded Annually

**Deadline:** Rolling

### **Mary Fleigh Mackoul Scholarship** (\$500)

Open to all Middle Eastern  
Studies Minors  
Awarded Annually

**Deadline:** Rolling

## College

### **CAH Alumni Chapter Scholarship**

Service Based

**For:** CAH Undergraduates

Awarded Annually

**Deadline:** Spring

### **CAH Scholarship Award** (\$1000)

Open to all CAH students

**For:** Undergrads & Grads

Awarded Annually

**Deadline:** Spring

### **James and Brook Harhi Endowment Scholarship for First Generation CAH Students** (\$1000)

Open to all First Generation  
CAH students

**For:** Undergrads & Grads

Awarded Annually

**Deadline:** Spring

## University

### **Honors Undergraduate Thesis Scholarship** (\$1000)

Open to all Enrolled in HUT

**For:** HUT Undergraduates

Awarded every semester

**Deadline:** Each Semester

### **Presentation Travel Award** (Varying Amounts)

Open for Conference Travel

**For:** All Undergraduates

Awarded every semester

**Deadline:** Rolling

### **Various, campus-wide scholarships** (Varying Amounts)

[ucf.academicworks.com](http://ucf.academicworks.com)

**Deadlines and requirements vary, so check frequently**

For a complete list of scholarships currently available to students, please visit this website:

[cah.ucf.edu/academics/scholarships](http://cah.ucf.edu/academics/scholarships)



# Have Questions? Need Advising?

Need help with History courses or need career and graduation advice?

Contact **history@ucf.edu** and we will assign you to a department advisor. History Department advisors are current faculty members and you must e-mail your advisor directly to set up an appointment.

Need help with non-history courses or have general graduation requirements/degree audit questions?

Contact **cahsa@ucf.edu** or your assigned CAHSA advisor for assistance.

Welcome to the History Department!

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