

General Roadmap for Completing the M.A. in History

Plan I - 30 credit hours: 24 hours coursework, 6 hours Thesis (HIST 599)

Please also see [the Graduate School list of requirements for completion of the MA.](#)

(sample two-year degree plan)

| Semester | Student actions | Required forms |
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| Semester 1 | <p>Plan course of study:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consult with DGS • Form Committee on Studies • Choose Thesis Advisor <p>Work toward completion of Language Requirement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take exam (offered September and November) • <u>Or</u> enroll in language courses <p>Coursework:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HIST 664 in Fall (required course) • 6-12 credit hours/semester <p>Thesis:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Begin to formulate thesis topic in consultation with advisor | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee on Studies Form due to department within first year of study |
| Semester 2 | <p>Work toward completion of Language Requirement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take exam (offered February and April) • <u>Or</u> enroll in language courses <p>Coursework:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6-12 credit hours/semester <p>Thesis:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plan research, using summer to do research as needed • Form and meet with thesis committee • You must make significant progress on thesis prior to semester 3 (if you hope to graduate in 2 years) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete M.A. Individual Checklist (due in January) • Committee on Studies Form (as needed) • Thesis committee form (due to department before enrolling in HIST 599) |

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| <p>Semester 3</p> | <p>Coursework:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6-12 credit hours/semester <p>Complete Language Requirement (as needed):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be fulfilled (or on target to be fulfilled via coursework) in the semester prior to graduation <p>Thesis:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enroll in 3 thesis credits (HIST 599) (OR plan to enroll in 6 thesis credits in Semester 4) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enrollment in HIST 599 must be continuous from the semester you first enroll in it until graduation • Begin writing thesis • Consult with committee about deadlines and plan to incorporate their feedback | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete M.A. Individual Checklist (due in January) • Program of Studies MUST be approved in the semester prior to exams/graduation: October 1 for Spring graduation, March 1 for Summer graduation, and July 1 for Fall graduation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • allow time for advisor, DGS, and OGS to approve the form • Inform department of intention to graduate in the semester prior to graduation |
| <p>Semester 4</p> | <p>Coursework:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6-12 credit hours/semester (as needed) <p>Thesis:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enroll in 3 or 6 thesis credit hours (HIST 599) • Finish writing thesis: must submit to department faculty committee by March 1 • Format thesis: attend graduate school formatting workshop • Fully formatted thesis due to graduate school by April 15 for Spring graduation, July 15 for Summer graduation, and November 15 for Fall graduation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Announcement of Examination <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • due November 1 for Fall graduation, April 1 for Spring graduation, or July 1 for Summer graduation • Submit correctly formatted thesis to graduate studies • Upload thesis to digital repository |