The study of history helps us gain a broad understanding of what happened in the past and what it can teach us. The discipline encompasses past and present civilizations and studies aspects of their political, social, economic, and intellectual development. It’s an important subject to be taught in school. As the study of what has happened, history can open you up to a deeper understanding of things such as politics, religion, economics, and general culture trends. With a history education degree from Wayne State, you can become a history teacher in a school setting for grades 7-12.

In addition to choosing the history subject endorsement, you will need to select a second subject endorsement to receive your B.A. or B.S.

**Skills Learned**
- World cultures and civilizations
- American history, cultural groups, and government
- Events and history of the 20th century
- Ancient Greek and Roman history
- Renaissance and medieval European history
- Indian history
- History of American Indian civilizations and cultures
- Research and writing techniques
- Classroom management and curricular development
- Critical thinking

**Possible Careers**
- History teacher
- History tutor
- Public historian
- Research specialist
- Preservation specialist
- Public policy analyst
- Cultural resource manager
- Archivist
- Curator
- Tour guide

**Types of Employers**
- Middle schools
- High schools
- Colleges and universities
- Education and learning centers
- Museums and exhibitions
- Historical societies
- Conservation societies
- National parks
- Government / federal agencies
- Libraries

**Activities / Opportunities**
- Multicultural events
- Constitution Day
- Voter registration drive
- Service-Learning
- Study Abroad
- Northeast Nebraska Teacher Academy (NETA)

**Clubs / Organizations**
- Phi Alpha Theta (History Club)
- Pi Gamma Mu (Social Sciences Honorary)
- Explorers Club
- Wayne Student Education Association of Nebraska (WSEAN)

**Fast facts**

**Hours:**
- 42 hours for endorsement
- 27-33 hours in education core classes
- 30 hours in general education

At least 120 hours are required for graduation from Wayne State College.

**Degrees offered:** B.A. or B.S.

**Departments:** History, Politics, and Geography; Educational Foundations and Leadership

**Schools:** Arts and Humanities; Education and Behavioral Sciences

**Clinical practice:** One semester of student teaching required

**Popular pairings:** Geography Education (7-12), Political Science Education (7-12), Sociology Education (7-12), Spanish Education (7-12)
Sample program of study 2020-21 Academic Year

Every effort is made to ensure this information is current, but please be aware that some content may have changed. There is no substitute for developing a careful course registration plan in consultation with your advisor. The class sequence listed is suggested only. The final decision rests with the student and academic advisor.

Students should plan to complete some courses during the summer semester if they wish to complete graduation requirements in a four-year period.

Students seeking endorsements in education need to work closely with their advisors regarding the required coursework in the subject endorsements and in professional education.

Students are encouraged to consider taking a foreign language as part of their General Studies program. (See appropriate section of catalog.) Please see catalog for a complete listing of program requirements.

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Freshman - 1st semester
ENG 102 Composition Skills (General Studies CAT 1)............................ 3
GEO 120 World Regional Geography (General Studies CAT 10)............... 3
HIS 280 America: 15,000 B.C. to 1845 (General Studies CAT 5)............ 3
MAT course by advisement (General Studies CAT 3)............................. 3
Science by advisement (General Studies CAT 7).................................. 3

Freshman - 2nd semester
CNA 100 Principles of Human Communication (General Studies CAT 2)................................................................. 3
EDU 150 Professional Education in a Diverse Society.......................... 3
HIS 281 America: 1845-1945.............................................................. 3
General Studies .............................................................................. 3-6

Sophomore - 1st semester
EDU 250 Human Development and Cognition................................. 3
HIS 170 World Civilizations I......................................................... 3
General Studies by advisement...................................................... 3
Second endorsement courses....................................................... 6

Sophomore - 2nd semester
EDU 275 Introduction to PK-12 Instruction...................................... 3
HIS 171 World Civilizations II....................................................... 3
POS 100 American National Government..................................... 3
History courses by advisement.................................................... 3-6
Second endorsement course....................................................... 3

Junior - 1st semester
EDU 310 Reading, Writing, Assessment in the Content Areas .......... 2
HIS 385 America: 1945 to the Present.......................................... 3
HIS course(s) by advisement....................................................... 3-6
SPD 302 Inclusive Practices for the General and Special Educator.... 3
General Studies by advisement.................................................... 3-6
Second endorsement course(s).................................................... 3-6

Junior - 2nd semester
EDU 406 Classroom Management............................................... 3
HIS course(s) by advisement....................................................... 6
Second endorsement course(s).................................................... 6

Senior
EDU 409 Content Area Methods and Assessment......................... 3
EDU 414 Content Area Clinical.................................................... 1
HIS course by advisement.......................................................... 3
SSC 490 Advanced SSC Research Seminar................................. 3
Second endorsement course(s).................................................... 3-6

Continue coursework to fulfill remaining endorsement, second endorsement, education, and graduation requirements.

All persons seeking Nebraska certification are required to provide proof of a passing score on the Praxis II content test designated for the area(s) of endorsement. For information about the test requirements, please visit the Nebraska Department of Education website at www.education.ne.gov.

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