History Requirements

All history majors fulfill the same requirements (36 s.h.) and are assessed in the same way by the department. The only differences in the four history tracks (BA History, BS Public History, BS Multidisciplinary, and BS History, Social Studies Education) are the requirements specific to the program. For the History/Social Studies Education program of study, the requirements include courses in the College of Education, edTPA assessment for student teaching, and coursework across several departments for the Social Studies concentration and 9-12 licensure.

As part of the social studies concentration, History/Social Studies Education majors take two required history courses: **HIS 3626 - Introduction to Secondary History Education** and **HIS 3525 - World Economic History**. Majors can also take additional HEP-designed courses as history electives. These courses address how to teach history through digital tools/new media, controversial topics, and the history of American education. [Note: All history majors are limited to five (5) 2000-level courses toward the history major]

**Secondary History/Social Studies Education: A Closer Look**

In order to prepare History/Social Studies Education majors to teach at the high school level, HEP has developed a series of required and elective courses for our majors:

- **HIS 3626: Introduction to Secondary History Education** – *required*. Meets Social Studies concentration.
  - Recommended for 3rd year/Juniors.
- **HIS 3524: World Economic History** – *required*. Meets Soc. Studies concentration
- **HIS 3630: Teaching History with New Media** – *elective*. Prepares majors for NC licensure renewal requirement to complete training in digital literacy.
- **Special Topics** (see course catalog each semester for assigned course number): Teaching Controversial Issues in History & The History of American Education.

History Education courses are beneficial for all History majors, as well as Elementary and Middle Grades Education majors, who are welcome to register. Faculty can adjust social studies standards for K-5 and 6-8 social studies.

**Social Studies Concentration (18 s.h.)**

Required – all courses are 3 s.h.

- **PS 1100**: American National Government & Politics; **PS 2130**: State and Local Government; **HIS 3626**: Introduction to Secondary History Education; **HIS 3524**: World Economic History
Electives – all courses are 3 s.h. Choose two (2) from the following:


Reich College of Education Course Specific to Secondary History, Social Studies:

- (3 s.h.) CI 3100: Teaching High School Social Studies – **required.**
  - This is the methods course for the major.
  - CI 3100 must be taken in the last semester of coursework **prior** to student teaching. It includes the 45-hour internship at a local high school. Register for CI 3100 and its internship at the same time