

## **Spring**

HIST-5322 Seminar on American Revolution

Instructor: Dr. Timothy Hemmis

Meeting Times: In Person Tuesday 6:00pm-9:00pm: 1/20-5/15/26

3 credit hours/16 weeks

Description: This seminar delves into the history of American Revolution and the War for Independence from 1760-1783. The American Revolution is a complex topic that is often oversimplified. As a graduate reading seminar, this course will give you an in-depth understanding of the American Revolution and its historiography. Each week there will be readings that are paramount to your success. This course will strengthen your critical thinking, reading, discussion, and writing skills, and provide a foundation for understanding the modern world. You will demonstrate the ability to develop and focus on one topic in writing assignments and present ideas in an organized, logical, and coherent form. You will also demonstrate the ability to use Standard English grammar, punctuation, spelling, and usage. Lastly, you will hopefully leave this class with a better understanding of America's past and how it has shaped the present.

HIST-5340 The Great War

Instructor: Dr. Jerry Jones

Meeting Times: In Person Monday 6:00pm-9:00pm: 1/20/26-5/15/26

3 credit hours/16 weeks

Description: This course examines the outbreak of the Great War, the prosecution of the war, and the immediate aftermath. We will discuss topics such as war plans, and the relationships the political leadership had with their military staff. We will study the revolutionary nature of the war itself, and the war aims of the principal powers as expressed in their wartime diplomacy. We will examine the controversial issues that still occupy historians: Why the failure to achieve a negotiated peace earlier in the war given the relative stalemate on the Western Front, and why did Germany lose in the last year of the war after waging the war so successfully since 1914?

HIST-5342 Freedom and Authority

Instructor: Dr. Cadra McDaniel

Meeting Times: In Person Wednesday 6:00pm-9:00pm: 1/20/26-5/15/26

## Masters 2026

3 credit hours/16 weeks

Description: In this course, students examine the development of democratic and authoritarian movements and governments in Europe as well as the varied manifestations of freedom and authority in European political, social, and cultural systems. Readings will examine events from Ancient Greece to the European Union's status in the early twenty-first century.

### HIST-5380 Historiography and Methods

Instructor: Dr. Cadra McDaniel

Meeting Times: In Person Thursday 6:00pm-9:00pm: 1/20/26-5/15/26

3 credit hours/16 weeks

Description: Explore various ideological schools of thought in the study of history. Emphasis on recent trends and techniques in historical writing.

Prerequisite(s): HIST 5300 and full admission to the graduate program or permission of instructor.