

History (HBA)

Specialist

Major

Minor

Department of Historical and Cultural Studies

See also co-op option

History at UTSC provides a dynamic introduction to the global transformations that have taken place over the past two millennia, while also focusing on the experiences and contributions of ordinary men and women to these transformations. The curriculum covers a broad range of topics, including religion and everyday life, colonialism, the relations between women and men, the history of work, the environment, urbanization, immigration, race and ethnicity, and material culture. Students develop key skills such as critical reading, research, and writing which are necessary for the study of the past and for a wide range of professional activities beyond the university. The Major Program in History is a program option for the Honours Bachelor of Arts/ Master of Teaching Combined Degree Program (please see the UTSC Calendar for more details).

Complementary Programs: Classical Studies, Food Studies, Global Asia Studies, Women's and Gender Studies, African Studies, Political Science, Journalism

Make the most of your time at UTSC!

We want to help you maximize your university experience, so we've pulled together information and suggestions to get you started, although there are many more! As you review the chart on the inside pages, note that many of the suggestions need not be restricted to the year they are listed. In fact, activities such as joining a student club, engaging with faculty and seeking opportunities to gain experience should occur in each year of your study.

Check out future career opportunities and skills acquired from completing this program:

Competencies & Skills

- Analyze ideas/information
- Develop cross cultural awareness
- Employ interdisciplinary research methodology
- Evaluate historical data
- Observe and compare people/ data/things
- Recognize patterns in historical events
- Synthesize a large amount of information
- Understand/interpret the present and past

Careers for Graduates

- Interpreter or Administrator in Museums
- Foreign Service Officer in Federal Government
- Market Research Analyst in Corporations
- Public Relations Consultant in Non-Profits
- Editor or Copywriter in Publishing
- Underwriter in Insurance
- Political Aide in Government
- Lawyer
- Teacher

Further Education

- Law
- Teacher Education
- History
- Information/Library Science
- Public Service
- Paralegal Studies
- Human Resources
- Marketing



Connect with Alumni at events on **CLNx** and through **Partners in Leadership**, **10,000 Coffees**, **LinkedIn** and more!

For more information go to:
uoft.me/alumni-services

**NEED HELP CHOOSING
YOUR PROGRAM?**

See uoft.me/choosing

History (HBA) Major Program Pathway

HOW TO USE THIS PROGRAM PATHWAY

Read through each year; investigate what appeals to you here and in other Program Pathways that apply to you. Note that this Pathway is only a suggestion. **For the most up to date information, please check the UTSC Calendar.**

YEAR 1 (0 - 3.5 Credits)

YEAR 2 (4 - 8.5 Credits)

YEAR 3 (9 - 13.5 Credits)

YEAR 4 or FINAL YEAR (14 - 20 Credits)

CHOOSE YOUR COURSES WISELY

- 1.0 credit from the following: HISA04H3, HISA05H3, [HISA06H3 or GASAO1H3], [HISA07H3 or CLAA04H3], [HISA08H3 or AFSA01H3], HISA09H3.
- Explore different kinds of courses; this will also help with fulfilling breadth requirements and electives.
- Use Degree Explorer and the UTSC Calendar to plan your courses and program.

- 0.5 credit as follows: HISB03H3.
- 2.5 credits in History at any level.
- Students should review the requirements listed in Years 3 and 4 prior to Year 2 course selection.
- Use Degree Explorer and meet with your Program Advisor or Supervisor to ensure you are on track with your degree.

- 3.0 credits must be at the C- or D-level.
- Of the 7.0 credits needed to complete the program, 1.5 credits must deal with the period prior to 1800.
- Use Degree Explorer to ensure you are on track with your degree.

- Of the 7.0 credits needed to complete the program, 1.0 credit must deal with Canadian history and at least 0.5 credit is needed in two of the areas of history listed in the History section of the UTSC Calendar.
- Use Degree Explorer to ensure you are on track to graduate.
- Register your "Intent to Graduate" on ACORN by the deadline.

DEVELOP YOUR ACADEMIC & RESEARCH SKILLS

- Schedule an appointment with your Program Librarian for in-depth research assistance with your assignments.
- Get writing support at the CTL Writing Centre.

- Further develop your general academic skills by attending workshops offered by the Academic Advising & Career Centre (AA&CC) and Centre for Teaching & Learning (CTL).

- Consider competing for the UTSC Library Undergraduate Research Prize or Poster Forum.

- Apply for an Academic Travel Fund through Department of Student Life (DSL) to research, present at a conference, or engage with the international academic community.

APPLY THEORY TO PRACTICE

- Attend the UTSC Faculty Mix & Mingle Fair to connect with professors and learn more about their specialties.
- Start building your Co-Curricular Record (CCR) and search for Experiential Learning opportunities on the Career & Co-Curricular Learning Network (CLNx).

- Get involved in relevant opportunities on and/or off campus; apply to Work Study, or other part-time and summer jobs on CLNx.

- Build on your skills and knowledge through relevant events offered through your department, student groups, DSL and the AA&CC.
- Seek out research and volunteer opportunities with faculty.

- Attend the Summer & Full-time Job Fair in January to meet with potential employers looking to hire students for summer and full-time positions relevant to your field.

BECOME AN ENGAGED CITIZEN (LOCALLY & GLOBALLY)

- Get involved with the Historical and Cultural Studies Student Association (HCSSA); also explore other relevant student clubs and activities on campus.
- Volunteer in DSL's Alternative Reading Week program to gain experience and knowledge about social change and community development.

- Check CLNx to search for Work Study or volunteer positions on campus to gain experience and to get involved.

- Run for an elected position in the Historical and Cultural Studies Student Association (HCSSA).
- Look into volunteering or working overseas to expand your network through International Student Centre's (ISC) Global Learning programs.

- Participate in the AA&CC's Partners in Leadership program to learn and network with an alumni mentor about transitioning to work or further education.

PLAN FOR YOUR FUTURE CAREER

- Volunteer with organizations to explore your interests; check listings on CLNx.
- Attend the UTSC Get Experience Fair in September and register with SCSU's Volunteer Network Program to explore opportunities.

- Connect with professors and advisors early so you are on track with your post-graduation plans.
- Explore careers through the AA&CC's Job Shadowing and In The Field programs.

- Plan a career path with a staff member at the AA&CC.
- Check CLNx for networking events and employer information sessions to attend.
- Attend the Graduate & Professional School Fair in September.

- Attend the AA&CC's Get Hired job search conference in April/May.
- Attend a Jobs for Grads orientation for a job search "crash course" and for access to full-time job listings.
- Get your Personal Statement reviewed in the AA&CC.

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SERVICES AT UTSC THAT SUPPORT YOU:

To learn about resources and departments that can support you, download the UTSC Student Experience app or visit uoft.me/StARTNow

Diversity & Inclusion

The University of Toronto Scarborough commits to intentionally foster a welcoming and supportive environment for students, faculty, and staff where diversity is valued, and every member of the community feels a sense of belonging on campus.

utsc.utoronto.ca/edo/

Academic Integrity

The university community supports an environment of academic integrity; these are values that include honesty, trust, fairness, respect and responsibility. Learn about the university's academic rules and how to avoid accidental plagiarism by attending an Academic Integrity Matters (AIM) workshop.

academicintegrity.utoronto.ca/

Healthy Campus

UTSC provides supportive environments, resources and services to empower students to maintain their overall physical and mental health and foster their academic success.

uoft.me/healthycampus/

Co-Curricular Record

The co-curricular record is an official institutional document that recognizes your involvement outside the classroom as a significant part of your U of T experience.

clnx.utoronto.ca/ccr

DID YOU KNOW...

Our History curriculum spans the history of the world from the ancient period to the modern era.



FUTURE STUDENTS

For admission requirements to UTSC, check out the U of T Scarborough Viewbook or contact:

Admissions & Student Recruitment

University of Toronto Scarborough
Room HL104, Main Floor, Highland Hall
416-287-7529
admissions@utsc.utoronto.ca

CURRENT STUDENTS

Departmental Contact

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416-208-2923

History Librarian

Whitney Kemble,
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Academic Advising & Career Centre

Room AC213 | 416-287-7561

Department of Student Life

Room SL157 | 416-208-4760

Historical & Cultural Studies Students Association (HCSSA)

<https://hcssa.weebly.com/>

Glossary of acronyms:

AA&CC - Academic Advising & Career Centre

CCR - Co-Curricular Record

CLNx - Career & Co-Curricular Learning Network

CTL - Centre for Teaching & Learning

DSL - Department of Student Life

HCSSA - Historical & Cultural Studies Student Association

ISC - International Student Centre

SCSU - Scarborough Campus Students' Union