Getting Ready for Your First Year
First year courses are designed to offer you core foundational knowledge that will prepare you for your second year at UTSC. Find your program below, and follow the first year course enrolment guide for your first year at the University for Toronto Scarborough.

History – Specialist Program
Two of the following:
- HISA04H3 – Themes in World History I
- HISA05H3 – Themes in World History II
- HISA06H3/GASA01H3 – Introducing Global Asia and its Histories
- HISA07H3/CLAA04H3 – The Ancient Mediterranean world

History – Major Program
Two of the following:
- HISA04H3 – Themes in World History I
- HISA05H3 – Themes in World History II
- HISA06H3/GASA01H3 – Introducing Global Asia and its Histories
- HISA07H3/CLAA04H3 – The Ancient Mediterranean world

History – Minor Program
There are no required first year courses for the minor program. If you are interested in studying History, you may want to take any of the following as an introduction to the subject:
- HISA04H3 – Themes in World History I
- HISA05H3 – Themes in World History II
- HISA06H3/GASA01H3 – Introducing Global Asia and its Histories
- HISA07H3/CLAA04H3 – The Ancient Mediterranean world

Elective Courses
Once you have selected courses to fulfill your first year program requirements, it’s time to think about electives to fill up your schedule. Electives are an essential part of your undergraduate studies, and are requirements for your overall University of Toronto degree.

Determine How Many Courses You Will Take in First Year
Your program requirements as a first year student will not be enough to fill your timetable. A standard course at UTSC is 0.5 credits.

A full-time student can take between 1.5 – 2.5 credits. This is equivalent to three, four, or five courses per semester. A student who wishes to complete their undergraduate degree in four years should aim to complete 5.0 credits in the Fall and Winter semester. You may also choose to reduce your course load, and take courses in the Summer semester. Find a balance that’s right for you.

Academic Support at UTSC
Academic Advising & Career Centre
AccessAbility Services
Office of the Registrar

Track your academic progress online with Degree Explorer

Use this resource with the 2016-2017 Calendar on our website for a comprehensive understanding of your program requirements and expectations.