



Department of History Learning Outcomes

Learning Outcomes for the Undergraduate History Degree

Students can:

1. describe and discuss historical facts, themes, and ideas;
2. identify, analyze, evaluate, and synthesize primary and secondary source evidence;
3. identify and explain how the past is different from the present;
4. express knowledge of the history of individuals and groups who are different from themselves;
5. analyze an event, source, idea or person within its historical context;
6. critically evaluate change over time (the idea that the relationship between events over time suggests meanings that might be overlooked if the events were examined in isolation);
7. identify different perspectives on the past, whether those be historical, interpretive, or methodological in nature;
8. conduct research independently using primary and secondary source evidence;
and
9. express knowledge and reason effectively in writing.

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