History

As a discipline and subject, History is typically critical and diverse in nature. The studies of History comprise studies related to both research and teaching in General History as well as in Finnish and Scandinavian History, providing students with an understanding of the constant interaction between local and global phenomena.

When studying history, it is important to acquire an understanding of general historical thinking along with the ways and methods of finding historical sources peculiar to history as a discipline. It is also important to learn to produce information and draft presentations in accordance with the norms of the discipline. This is why methodology studies and related exercises, seminars and theses are of special importance. It is important to learn to ask questions, put things in their contexts by means of causes and effects, and tell the difference between the essential and the nonessential.

The studies aim to provide students with the ability to ask reasonable questions and provide answers to them. It is vital to learn to read, analyze and present historical information critically and consistently. The ability to produce good exam results and to write good theses in particular requires all this.

The subject is built on research of a high standard, the main areas of which are based on the staff's individual areas of specialization. From the beginning of their studies, students are provided with the opportunity to seek guidance from a researcher responsible for the selected area of specialization. As a rule, research is focused on Northern History in its various contexts, and, on the other hand, cultural interaction as a global phenomenon. In addition to research and teaching based on it, students are also provided with increasingly good opportunities to develop their abilities for the labour market.

Study packages in History

The Basic Studies in History are common to History and History of Science and Ideas, providing students with a general view of history and its key turning points from the viewpoint of two different subjects. Students are introduced to historical thinking as well as scientific writing. Methodology studies in particular contribute to building the foundation for understanding history as a discipline and to fostering the ability to use various research methods.

The aim of the Intermediate Studies is to further students' knowledge and methodological skills and to facilitate them with the ability to carry out independent scientific work.

The Intermediate Studies provide students with a broad approach to the main areas of history along with one or several areas that are of special research interest to them.

As part of the Advanced Studies, diverse theoretical and other specialized studies provide the student with the ability to carry out research on a significant historical phenomenon selected on the basis on his/her own interests as well as to produce related scientific information. Due to specialization, the student will acquire the abilities required for understanding the nature of historical or another type of information as well as for its analysis and communication. This will also contribute to developing the student's abilities for the labour market.
Admission requirements and commencement of studies

The subject of History is open to anyone registered as an attending student who has passed a separate entrance examination for the Basic Studies in History. History may be taken as a major subject by anyone who has passed the entrance examination arranged in the summer. It is also possible for an Oulu University student to take the Basic and Intermediate Studies first (with the minimum average grade of 3) and then apply from the Dean for permission to major in History and take the Master's Degree.

The curriculum of the History subject will be issued at the beginning of each semester. Details on possible information sessions are posted on the notice board designated for the subject.

Study guidance

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Employment prospects


Practical information

For subject-specific practical information, see "Manuale Historiae", a guidebook for the students of History (in Finnish). This book is distributed to all students of History, and it is also available as a PDF file on the website mentioned above.

Courses at different levels

Basic Studies in History 25 credits

1. Personal Study Plan 1 0 credits
2. Introduction to World History 6 credits
   a) Introduction to World History I 3 credits
   b) Introduction to World History II 3 credits
3. Finnish and Scandinavian History 6 credits
   a) Introduction to Finnish History 4 credits
   b) Finnish History of Ideas and Sciences 2 credits
4. History of Ideas and Sciences 6 credits
   a) The Sciences and the Evolution of World Views 3 credits
   b) History of Political and Social Ideas 3 credits
5. Basic Studies in Historical Methods 7 credits
   a) Critical Reading 2 credits
   b) Introduction to Methodology 3 credits
   c) Historiography 2 credits

Intermediate Studies in History 45 credits

1. Personal Study Plan 2 0 credits
   700104Y Personal Study Plan 2 0 credits
2. Practicing Research Methods 8 credits
   700400A Advanced Course in Methodology 2 credits
   700401A Exercise Course in Methodology 3 credits
   700204A Introduction to Archival Research 2 credits
   700300A Library Course 1 credits
3. Compulsory courses 18 credits
   3.1 Economic and Social History 6 credits
      700404A Global Economic History 3 credits
      700303A Economic and Social History of Finland 3 credits
   3.2 Political History 6 credits
      700406A History of International Relations 3 credits
      700419A Political History of Finland 3 credits
3.3 Environmental and Cultural History 6 credits
700403A Global Environmental History 3 credits
700420A Cultural History 3 credits

4. Special Courses 9 credits
700421A Focus Areas 9 credits
Antiquity (Timo Sironen)
Medieval history (Jouko Vahtola)
Northern history (Reija Satokangas)
History of Japan (Olavi K. Fält)
History of settlement (Jouko Vahtola)
History of ethnic relations (Kari Alenius)
Globalization, cultural encounter and mental images (Olavi K. Fält)
History of information and communication technology (Henry Oinas-Kukkonen)
Church history (Reija Satokangas)
History of education (Matti Salo)
Crisis in public debate (Kari Alenius)
Agricultural history (Matti Salo)
War history (Jouko Vahtola)
Gender history (Seija Jalagin)
Art history (Jorma Mikola)
History of science and ideas (the student can choose any courses in the curriculum of History of science and ideas)

5. 700423A BA Seminar and BA Thesis 10 credits
A. BA Seminar and BA Thesis in Finnish and Scandinavian History
or
B. BA Seminar and BA Thesis in General History

6. 700424A Maturity Test (for History majors) 0 credits

Advanced Studies in History 80 credits

1. Personal study plan 3 0 credits
700425Y Personal Study Plan 3 0 credits

2. Research methods 9 credits
700426S Research Methods 3 credits
700427S Finnish Historiography 3 credits
700428S Theories in Historical Research 3 credits

3. 700429S Focus Areas 9 credits
Antiquity (Timo Sironen)
Medieval history (Jouko Vahtola)
Northern history (Reija Satokangas)
History of Japan (Olavi K. Fält)
History of settlement (Jouko Vahtola)
History of ethnic relations (Kari Alenius)
Globalization, cultural encounter and mental images (Olavi K. Fält)
History of information and communication technology (Henry Oinas-Kukkonen)
History of international relations (Henry Oinas-Kukkonen)
Church history (Reija Satokangas)
History of education (Matti Salo)
Christian mission and development cooperation (Seija Jalagin)
Crisis in public debate (Kari Alenius)
Agricultural history (Matti Salo)
War history (Jouko Vahtola)
Gender history (Seija Jalagin)
Political history of Finland (Jouko Vahtola)
Economic history of Finland (Matti Salo)
Art history (Jorma Mikola)
Demographic and social history (Reija Satokangas)
Learning Objectives

After completing the Basic Studies students will have the knowledge, skills and conceptual abilities to critically analyse history and historical studies. They will have understood the nature of historical thought and become aware of the distinctive features and approaches of historiography. They will also have formed an overview of the course of history and its turning points. In addition, students will have the ability to produce short presentations, or other written or oral works, based on their own expertise.

After completing the Intermediate Studies, students will have a multifaceted view on the methods, approaches and source materials of historical studies. They will also have an understanding of the variety of research questions and the breadth of the field of historical studies. In addition, students will be familiar with the most important research traditions, methodological trends and the theoretical background of the methods in historical studies.

With reference to the master studies, students will have the skills to present and solve problems scientifically, to use existing information and sources, to document information, to propose arguments and critique and to participate in scientific dialogue. The students will be able to plan and produce small treatises which are based on their own expertise and effort as well as on applying scientific information and research.

After completing the Advanced Studies, students will be able to plan and carry out complex projects which require finding and using information. They will also have the abilities to produce scientific information. They will be able to work independently and ethically in demanding analytical and creative projects. They will also be capable of acting as experts in various groups and communities. They will have the skills to critically analyse different source materials and statements. In addition, they will have the skills to present the results of the research process coherently in written format. They will know and be able to implement the most important research methods of historiography. They will be accustomed to using the concepts of historiography. Furthermore, they will have the ability to use the theoretical tools and the methods from other fields of study. The students will have formed an idea of the diversity of historical studies and will be able to place their own research subjects into a wider scientific context. The students will be able to stay in touch with the scientific issues in their field of study independently. Through specialisation, they will have acquired profound capabilities in understanding, analysing and communicating historical information, or, in fact, any information.
Opintojaksojen kuvaukset

Tutkintorakenteisiin kuulumattomien opintokonaisuuksien ja -jaksojen kuvaukset

700426S: A World of Methods (compulsory lecture course), 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2009 -
Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Humanities
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opettajat: Kari Alenius
Opintokohteen kiele: Finnish
Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:
3 credits
Language of instruction:
Finnish
Timing:
3rd or 4th year
Learning outcomes:
The student will be familiar with different research methods and approaches in history and be able to apply them in designing his/her own thesis.
Learning activities and teaching methods:
Lectures.
Recommended or required reading:
Handouts by lecturers.
Assessment methods and criteria:
Essay and group discussion.
Grading:
0-5
Person responsible:
Kari Alenius

700400A: Advanced Course in Methodology, 2 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -
Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Humanities
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opettajat: Oinas-Kukkonen, Henry Tapio
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish
Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:
2 credits
Language of instruction:
Finnish
Timing:
2nd year
Learning outcomes:
Upon completing the course, the student will be able to recognize various problems involved in the research process and criteria for theses in the field of History. He/she will also be able to participate actively and critically in scientific discussion.
Learning activities and teaching methods:
Lectures and exercises
Recommended optional programme components:
This course can only be taken after passing the following Basic Studies courses: Introduction to Methodology, Critical Reading and Historiography.
Recommended or required reading:
Manuale historiae - Historian (opiskelijan) käsikirja (in Finnish)
Assessment methods and criteria:
Practical exercises and written examination
Grading:
Pass/fail
Person responsible:
Henry Oinas-Kukkonen

700423A: Candidates Seminar and Thesis (History, major subject students), 10 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2009 -
Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Humanities
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits:
10 credits
Language of instruction:
Finnish / English

Timing:
2nd or 3rd year

Learning outcomes:
The student will practise all phases of the historical research process and write a BA thesis independently. During this process he/she will learn the methodological and technical skills needed in more advanced studies. After completing the course the student is competent in writing essays and research papers that fulfill the requirements of historical research as regards their methodology, language, content and form.

Learning activities and teaching methods:
Seminar

Target group:
History majors

Recommended optional programme components:
BA seminar is taken directly after Advanced Course in Methodology.

Assessment methods and criteria:
The student will participate in seminar sessions (minimum 10), write and present his/her BA thesis (15-20 pp.) and act as an opponent.

Grading:
The BA thesis and participation in the seminar: 0-5

Person responsible:
Juha Saunavaara and Reija Satokangas

700097P: Critical Reading, 2 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -
Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Humanities
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opettajat: Salo, Matti Tapani
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish
Leikkaavuudet:
ay700097P Critical Reading (OPEN UNI) 2.0 op

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:
2 credits

Language of instruction:
Finnish

Timing:
1st year

Learning outcomes:
The student will be familiar with the main features of historical thinking, presenting, discussion and criticism. Through exemplary literature, the student will acquire a general idea of how historical research is conducted in practice.

Contents:
Seminar workshop

Learning activities and teaching methods:
Students will divide into thematical groups. Each student will choose one historical study and contemplate how it has been implemented, and presents his/her findings in a concise lecture (20 min.), which is followed by a group discussion.

Assessment methods and criteria:
Oral presentations and group discussions.

Grading:
Pass/fail

Person responsible:
Matti Salo

Other information:
Regular attendance (80%) compulsory.

700420A: Cultural History, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2009 -
Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuysikkö: Faculty of Humanities
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish
Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:
3 credits

Language of instruction:
Finnish

Timing:
1st, 2nd or 3rd year

Learning outcomes:
The student will be familiar with the main features of cultural history in modern Europe and Finland and be able to explain the significance of culture in human communities and relationships between communities.

Learning activities and teaching methods:
Lectures and/or written examination

Recommended or required reading:

Grading:
0-5

Person responsible:
Juha Saunavaara

700429S: Elective Focus Areas in History, 9 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2009 -
Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuysikkö: Faculty of Humanities
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish
Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:
9 credits

Language of instruction:
Finnish

Timing:
4th or 5th year

Learning outcomes:
The student will acquire thorough knowledge of the focus area he/she has chosen, and be able to apply the knowledge and methodological approaches in his/her MA Thesis.

Contents:
Choose one of the following focus areas:
Antiquity (Timo Sironen)
Medieval history (Jouko Vahtola)
Northern history (Reija Satokangas)
History of Japan (Olavi K. Fält)
History of settlement (Jouko Vahtola)
History of childhood (Marianne Junila)
History of ethnic relations (Kari Alenius)
Globalization, cultural encounter and mental images (Olavi K. Fält)
History of information and communication technology (Henry Oinas-Kukkonen)
History of international relations (Henry Oinas-Kukkonen)
Church history (Reija Satokangas)
History of education (Matti Salo)
Crisis in public debate (Kari Alenius)
Agricultural history (Matti Salo)
War history (Jouko Vahtola)
Political history of Finland (Jouko Vahtola)
Economic history of Finland (Matti Salo)
Art history (Jorma Mikola)
Demographic and social history (Reija Satokangas)

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**
Lectures / literature and essays

**Target group:**
History majors.

**Recommended or required reading:**
To be discussed with the teacher responsible for the focus area (names in parentheses); see separate handout for literature.

**Assessment methods and criteria:**
To be discussed with the responsible teacher of the focus area (names in parentheses).

**Grading:**
0-5

**Person responsible:**
Olavi K. Fält

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**700401A: Exercise Course in Methodology, 3 op**

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2005 -
**Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies
**Laji:** Course
**Vastuuysikkö:** Faculty of Humanities
**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail
**Opettajat:** Oinas-Kukkonen, Henry Tapio
**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish
**Voidaan suorittaa useasti:** Kyllä

**ECTS Credits:**
3 credits

**Language of instruction:**
Finnish

**Timing:**
2nd year

**Learning outcomes:**
Upon completing the course, the student will be able to solve problems involved in the research process, meet in practice the criteria for theses and act as an opponent and a respondent.

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**
Practical exercises

**Recommended optional programme components:**
This course can only be taken after passing the following Basic Studies courses: Introduction to Methodology, Critical Reading and Historiography.

**Recommended or required reading:**
To be handed out during the course.

**Grading:**
Pass/fail

**Person responsible:**
Henry Oinas-Kukkonen
700427S: Finnish Historiography, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2009 -
Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuysikkö: Faculty of Humanities
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opettajat: Vahtola, Jouko Olavi
Opintokohteen kiele: Finnish
Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:
3 credits
Language of instruction:
Finnish
Timing:
4th or 5th year
Learning outcomes:
The student will be familiar with the development of Finnish historiography and its focus areas.
Learning activities and teaching methods:
Lectures and/or written examination and/or essays.
Recommended or required reading:
Historia eilen ja tänään. Historiantutkimuksen ja arkeologian suunnat Suomessa 1908-2008 (Suomen Tiedeseura
2009); Historiantutkimuksen tila ja tulevaisuus, Historiallinen Aikakauskirja 1/2003.
Grading:
0-5
Person responsible:
Jouko Vahtola

700094P: Finnish History of Science and Ideas, 2 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -
Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuysikkö: Faculty of Humanities
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opettajat: Jarmo Pulkkinen
Opintokohteen kiele: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:
ay700094P Finnish History of Science and Ideas (OPEN UNI) 2.0 op

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:
2 credits
Language of instruction:
Finnish
Learning outcomes:
Upon completing the course, the student will be able to describe the key developments in the history of science and scholarship in Finland as well as recognize the basic elements of our scholarly heritage along with its manifestations in various areas.
Contents:
History of science and ideas in Finland
Learning activities and teaching methods:
Lectures or literature examination on the examination day of the Faculty or History Sciences
Recommended or required reading:
Either Tuomas M.S. Lehtonen (ed.): Suomi - outo pohjoinen maa? or Juha Manninen: Valistus ja kansallinen identiteetti

Assessment methods and criteria:
Written exam
Grading:
0-5
Person responsible:
Jarmo Pulkkinen

700419A: Finnish Political History, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2009 -
Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuysikkö: Faculty of Humanities
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opettajat: Vahtola, Jouko Olavi
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish
Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:
3 credits
Language of instruction:
Finnish
Timing:
1st, 2nd or 3rd year
Learning outcomes:
The student will be familiar with the main phenomena, development and related factors of Finnish political history.
Learning activities and teaching methods:
Lectures and/or written examination
Recommended or required reading:
Grading:
0-5
Person responsible:
Jouko Vahtola

700421A: Focus Areas, 9 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2009 -
Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuysikkö: Faculty of Humanities
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish
Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:
9 credits
Language of instruction:
Finnish
Timing:
1st, 2nd or 3rd year
Learning outcomes:
The student will be familiar with the fundamental features of the focus area/areas he/she has chosen, and be able to apply this knowledge in his/her BA thesis.
Contents:

Focus areas, choose from one to three:

- Antiquity (Timo Sironen)
- Medieval history (Jouko Vahtola)
- Northern history (Reija Satokangas)
- History of Japan (Juha Saunavaara)
- History of settlement (Jouko Vahtola)
- History of ethnic relations (Kari Alenius)
- Globalization, cultural encounter and mental images (Olavi K. Fält)
- History of information and communication technology (Henry Oinas-Kukkonen)
- Church history (Reija Satokangas)
- History of education (Matti Salo)
- Crisis in public debate (Kari Alenius)
- History of childhood (Marianne Junila)
- Agricultural history (Matti Salo)
- War history (Jouko Vahtola)
- Art history (Jorma Mikola)
- History of Science and Ideas (the student can choose any courses in the curriculum of History of Science and Ideas)

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures and/or written examination

Target group:

History majors

Recommended or required reading:

To be discussed with the teacher responsible of the focus area (names in parentheses); see separate handout for literature.

Assessment methods and criteria:

To be discussed with the teacher responsible of the focus area (names in parentheses).

Grading:

0-5

Person responsible:

Jouko Vahtola

Other information:

History minors take BA seminar 700422A (9 credits) instead of this course.

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700404A: Global Economic History, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -
Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuysikkö: Faculty of Humanities
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opettajat: Kari Alenius
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish
Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:

3 credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

1st, 2nd or 3rd year

Learning outcomes:

The student will be able to describe and explain the major phenomena in global economic history and to understand the significance of these phenomena for human communities.

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures or written examination.

Recommended or required reading:


Assessment methods and criteria:
Examination of lectures and/or literature.

**Grading:**
0-5

**Person responsible:**
Kari Alenius

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**700403A: Global Environmental History, 3 op**

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2005 -

**Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuysikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**Voidaan suorittaa useasti:** Kyllä

**ECTS Credits:**
3 credits

**Language of instruction:**
Finnish

**Timing:**
1st, 2nd or 3rd year

**Learning outcomes:**
The student will be able to describe and explain the relationship between man and environment from a global perspective, with special focus on how human activity affects the environment.

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**
Lectures and/or written examination.

**Recommended or required reading:**

**Grading:**
0-5

**Person responsible:**
Marianne Junila

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**700099P: Historiography, 2 op**

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2005 -

**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuysikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opettajat:** Fält, Olavi Kaarlo

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**Leikkaavuudet:**
ay700099P Historiography (OPEN UNI) 2.0 op

**Voidaan suorittaa useasti:** Kyllä

**ECTS Credits:**
2 credits

**Language of instruction:**
Finnish

**Timing:**
1st year

**Learning outcomes:**
Upon completing the course, the student will be familiar with the key developments in Western Historiography and their relation to the non-Western tradition of Historiography.
Learning activities and teaching methods:
Lectures or literature

Recommended or required reading:

Assessment methods and criteria:
Written examination or literature examination.

Grading:
0-5

Person responsible:
Olavi K. Fält

700433S: History as a Profession, 12 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2009 -
Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies
Laji: Practical training
Vastuuysikkö: Faculty of Humanities
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opettajat: Satokangas, Reija Raili, Matti Enbuske
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish
Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:
9 credits

Language of instruction:
Finnish

Timing:
Final stages of the studies

Learning outcomes:
The student will understand the role of history as a scholarly field and the significance of historical knowledge in society, and be able to mediate historical knowledge to different target groups and through different media.

Contents:
The course consists of lectures and exercises, or it can be completed by written examination or essay.

Learning activities and teaching methods:
Lecture "Historian viestintä" and related exercises; "Tiedejuttu", a course on popularizing scholarly writing; "Student conference"; other compensatory lectures and exercises and written examination and/or essay. The course can also be taken partially or completely with practical training.

Recommended or required reading:
To be discussed with the person responsible.

Assessment methods and criteria:
Written examination and/or essay and/or practical training.

Grading:
0-5, except in practical training: pass/fail

Person responsible:
Reija Satokangas

700406A: History of International Relations, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -
Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuysikkö: Faculty of Humanities
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opettajat: Oinas-Kukkonen, Henry Tapio
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish
Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä
ECTS Credits:
3 credits

Language of instruction:
Finnish

Timing:
1st, 2nd or 3rd year

Learning outcomes:
Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to name, describe and explain the major phases of the historical development of international relations since the evolution of a system of territorial states.

Learning activities and teaching methods:
Lectures and/or written examination

Recommended or required reading:

Grading:
0-5

Person responsible:
Henry Oinas-Kukkonen

700096P: History of Political and Social Ideas, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -
Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Humanities
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opettajat: Jarmo Pulkkinen
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish
Leikkaavuudet:
ay700096P History of Political and Social Ideas (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:
3 credits

Language of instruction:
Finnish

Learning outcomes:
Upon completing the course, the student will be able to describe the key developments in thinking about society, the state, politics and social movements, from Antiquity to the present.

Contents:
History of political and social ideas from Antiquity to the present.

Learning activities and teaching methods:
Lectures or literature exam on the examination day of the Faculty or History Sciences.

Recommended or required reading:
Sven-Erik Liedman: Från Platon till kommunismens fall

Assessment methods and criteria:
Written exam

Grading:
0-5

Person responsible:
Jarmo Pulkkinen

700303A: History of Society and Economy, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -
Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies
ECTS Credits:
3 credits
Language of instruction:
Finnish
Timing:
1st year
Learning outcomes:
Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to name, describe and explain the major phases of historical development of the Antiquity and the Middle Ages.
Learning activities and teaching methods:
A series of lectures and literature.
Recommended or required reading:
Assessment methods and criteria:
Written exam and literature exam, or only literature exam.
Grading:
0-5
Person responsible:
Matti Salo
700092P: Introduction to World History II, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -
Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuysikkö: Faculty of Humanities
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opettajat: Oinas-Kukkonen, Henry Tapio
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish
Leikkaavuudet: ay700092P  Introduction to World History II (OPEN UNI)  3.0 op
Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits: 3 credits
Language of instruction: Finnish
Timing: 1st year
Learning outcomes:
Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to name, describe and explain major phases of historical development in modern history.

Learning activities and teaching methods:
A series of lectures and literature

Recommended or required reading:

Assessment methods and criteria:
Written exam and literature exam, or only literature exam
Grading: 0-5
Person responsible: Henry Oinas-Kukkonen

700204A: Introduction to Archival Research, 2 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -
Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuysikkö: Faculty of Humanities
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opettajat: Marianne Junila
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish
Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits: 2 credits
Language of instruction: Finnish
Timing: 2nd year
Learning outcomes:
Upon completing the course, the student will be able to localize various materials, order them for reading, and write corresponding references in accordance with the practices of History Sciences.

Contents:
The student will familiarize himself/herself with various reference types, domestic and foreign source collections, databases and archives, and learns to find independently information required to solve a research problem.

Learning activities and teaching methods:
Lectures, visits to archives and individual assignments.

Target group:
Students with History of Science and Ideas or History as a major or minor subject.

Recommended optional programme components:
This course can only be taken after passing the following Basic Studies courses: Introduction to Methodology, Critical Reading and Historiography.

Recommended or required reading:
Handout and exercises.

Assessment methods and criteria:
Written exam and exercises.

Grading:
0-5

Person responsible:
Marianne Junila

Other information:
In cooperation with Oulu Provincial Archive.

700093P: Introduction to Finnish History, 4 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -
Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Humanities
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opettajat: Vahtola, Jouko Olavi
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish
Leikkaavuudet:
ay700093P Introduction to Finnish History (OPEN UNI) 4.0 op

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:
4 credits
Language of instruction:
Finnish
Timing:
1st year

Learning outcomes:
To master the basics of Finnish history, the key epochs, developments, turning points and special characteristics of the different periods in history.

Learning activities and teaching methods:
A series of lectures and literature.

Recommended or required reading:
Jouko Vahtola, Suomen historia. Jääkaudesta Euroopan unioniin (Otava 2003, or later edition)

Assessment methods and criteria:
Written exam and literature exam, or only literature exam.

Grading:
0-5

Person responsible:
Jouko Vahtola

700098P: Introduction to Methodology, 3 op
Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -
Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuysikkö: Faculty of Humanities
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opettajat: Oinas-Kukkonen, Henry Tapio
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish
Leikkaavuudet:
ay700098P Introduction to Methodology (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

ECTS Credits:
3 credits
Language of instruction:
Finnish
Timing:
1st year
Learning outcomes:
Upon completing the course, the student will be familiar with the basic concepts and methods of history.
Learning activities and teaching methods:
Lectures and practical exercises. The course also includes a minor assignment on a problem in the methodology of history.
Recommended or required reading:
Assessment methods and criteria:
Lectures and exercises
Grading:
0-5
Person responsible:
Henry Oinas-Kukkonen

700300A: Library Course, 1 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -
Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuysikkö: Faculty of Humanities
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits:
1 credit
Language of instruction:
Finnish
Timing:
2nd year
Learning outcomes:
An information literate student:
He/she is able to recognize the various types of information sources and understands how their use and meaning depend on e.g. discipline. He/she is able to access information effectively by selecting the most suitable information retrieval systems and using effective search strategies. He/she is able to evaluate information critically and incorporate it into his/her own knowledge base and set of values. He/she is able to use information effectively, either alone or as a member of a group, to reach a certain goal. He/she is able to understand several economic, legal and social questions related to the use of information.
Learning activities and teaching methods:
Series of lectures and exercises
Recommended optional programme components:
This course can only be taken after passing the following basic studies courses: Introduction to Historical Methods, Critical Reading and Historiography.

**Assessment methods and criteria:**
Written exam and exercises.

**Grading:**
Pass/fail

**Person responsible:**
Teaching is provided by the Pegasus Library which is a part of the library system of the University of Oulu.

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700430S: Master's Seminar, 10 op

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2009 -
**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies
**Laji:** Course
**Vastuuysikkö:** Faculty of Humanities
**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail
**Opintokohteen kiele:** Finnish

**ECTS Credits:**
10 credits

**Language of instruction:**
Finnish

**Timing:**
4th or 5th year

**Learning outcomes:**
The seminar fosters the student's ability to use historical methods in his/her independent research and trains the student to participate in scholarly discussions.

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**
Seminar 1 and seminar 2

**Recommended optional programme components:**
BA thesis and seminar must be completed before enrolling to the MA seminar.

**Assessment methods and criteria:**
The student is expected to register into MA seminar in the beginning of each semester she/he writes the MA thesis. Active participation in seminars 1 and 2. In seminar 1 the student will present 1) a research plan (12-15 pp.) that consists of a review of research in the field of study in question, the research question, sources and methods, and 2) a seminar paper that consists of the contents, introduction and preferably the first chapter of the thesis. The students are also expected to act as an opponent to each other's seminar papers and to actively participate in seminar discussions (in at least 10 sessions). In seminar 2 the student will present the manuscript of the MA thesis which is discussed in the seminar before official examination. She/he also acts as an opponent and participates in at least five seminar sessions. The student keeps a learning journal of the seminar sessions (both 1 and 2) by including the dates, presented theses, key topics of discussions, and relevant ideas concerning her/his own thesis. The journal is handed out to the professor at the same time with the finished MA thesis.

**Grading:**
0-5

**Person responsible:**
Olavi K. Fält, Jouko Vahtola, Kari Alenius and Matti Salo.

**Other information:**
The grading is based on activity in seminar sessions, activity shown in carrying out the tasks, as well as on the learning journal.

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700432S: Maturity Examination (History), 0 op

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2009 -
**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies
**Laji:** Course
**Vastuuysikkö:** Faculty of Humanities
**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail
**Opintokohteen kiele:** Finnish
ECTS Credits: 0 credits
Language of instruction: Finnish
Timing: 4th or 5th year
Learning outcomes: On the basis of his/her MA thesis, the student will write an abstract which is correct as regards its subject matter and grammar.
Learning activities and teaching methods: Independently written abstract of the MA thesis
Target group: History majors
Recommended optional programme components: The abstract (one page) is handed out as an attachment to the final version of the MA thesis.
Grading: Pass/fail
Person responsible: Olavi K. Fält and Jouko Vahtola

700424A: Maturity Examination (major subject students), 0 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2009 -
Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuysikkö: Faculty of Humanities
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits: 0 credits
Language of instruction: Finnish
Timing: After completing courses for BA degree and when the BA thesis is graded.
Learning outcomes: On the basis of his/her BA thesis, the student will write an essay which is correct as regards its subject matter and grammar.
Recommended optional programme components: BA thesis has to be graded.
Assessment methods and criteria: Written examination.
Grading: Pass/fail
Person responsible: Instructor of the BA seminar and lecturer of student's mother tongue.

700103Y: Personal Study Plan 1 (Bachelor's degree), 0 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2009 -
Opiskelumuoto: General Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuysikkö: Faculty of Humanities
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits:
0 credits

Language of instruction:
Finnish

Timing:
1st year

Learning outcomes:
The student will have a study plan leading to graduation, which is based on his/her own (employment) objectives in relation to his/her education.

Learning activities and teaching methods:
PSP meetings with a tutor, after which the student will plan and schedule his/her individual study path using designated PSP forms.

Target group:
First-year students

Recommended optional programme components:
At the very beginning of studies

Assessment methods and criteria:
Written study plan

Grading:
Pass

Person responsible:
History tutors Reija Satokangas and Erkki Urpilainen

Other information:
The PSP form is available on the Web

700104Y: Personal Study Plan 2 (Bachelor's degree), 0 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2009 -
Opiskelumuoto: General Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuysikkö: Faculty of Humanities
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits:
0 credits

Language of instruction:
Finnish

Timing:
2nd or 3rd year

Learning outcomes:
The student will have a study plan leading to graduation, which is based on his/her own (employment) objectives in relation to his/her education.

Learning activities and teaching methods:
PSP meetings with a tutor, after which the student will plan and schedule his/her individual study path using designated PSP forms.

Recommended optional programme components:
When beginning to write the Bachelor's thesis.

Assessment methods and criteria:
A written study plan.

Grading:
Pass

Person responsible:
Tutors and BA seminar instructors.

Other information:
The PSP form is available on the Web.

700425Y: Personal Study Plan 3 (Master's degree), 0 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2009 -
Opiskelumuoto: General Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuysikkö: Faculty of Humanities
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits:
0 credits
Language of instruction:
Finnish
Timing:
3rd or 4th year
Learning outcomes:
The student will have an individual study plan to complete the MA degree. This plan will consist of the student's occupational goals in relation to the contents of his/her studies.
Learning activities and teaching methods:
Individual meeting with the professor instructing the MA thesis, after which the student will plan and schedule his/her MA studies with the help of a HOPS form.
Target group:
Students beginning their MA studies.
Recommended optional programme components:
The individual study plan 3 is composed while negotiating the topic of the MA thesis with the professor.
Assessment methods and criteria:
Written study plan.
Grading:
Pass
Person responsible:
Olavi K. Fält and Jouko Vahtola
Other information:
Personal study plan (HOPS) form: http://www.oulu.fi/hutk/opiskelu/lomakkeita.html

700431S: Pro Gradu Thesis, 40 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2009 -
Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies
Laji: Diploma thesis
Vastuuysikkö: Faculty of Humanities
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits:
40 credits
Language of instruction:
Finnish
Timing:
4th or 5th year
Learning outcomes:
The students will write a scientific thesis (70-90 pp.) independently.
Learning activities and teaching methods:
Seminar and independent work.
Recommended optional programme components:
BA thesis must be finished and graded before beginning the MA thesis.
Assessment methods and criteria:
Active participation in the MA seminar until the student's own thesis is finished. After the thesis manuscript has been presented and accepted in the seminar, it will be handed out for final examination in two bookbound copies into the faculty office.
Grading:
The thesis will be graded using the scale 0-5
Person responsible:
Olavi K. Fält and Jouko Vahtola

700422A: Pro Seminar (subsidiary subject students), 10 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2009 -
Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Humanities
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits:
9 credits

Language of instruction:
Finnish / English

Timing:
2nd or 3rd year

Learning outcomes:
The student will practise all phases of the historical research process and write a BA thesis independently. After completing the course the student will be competent in writing essays and research papers that fulfil the requirements of historical research as regards their methodology, language, content and form.

Learning activities and teaching methods:
Seminar

Target group:
History minors

Recommended optional programme components:
BA seminar is taken directly after Advanced Course in Methodology.

Assessment methods and criteria:
The student will participate in seminar sessions (minimum 5), write and present his/her BA thesis (15-20 pp.) and act as an opponent.

Grading:
The BA thesis and participation in the seminar: 0-5

Person responsible:
Juha Saunavaara and Reija Satokangas

700095P: Sciences and the Evolution of World Views, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -
Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Humanities
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opettajat: Kallinen, Maija Sinikka
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish
Leikkaavuudet:
ay700095P Sciences and the Evolution of World Views (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:
3 credits

Language of instruction:
Finnish

Learning outcomes:
Upon completing the course, the student will be able to describe the key developments in scientific thinking from Antiquity to the present. He/she will be familiar with the greatest revolutions in scientific thinking, understanding their importance from the viewpoint of world views. The student will also be able to pinpoint various social conditions for science, changes in man's relationship to nature and the concept of scientific rationality.
Contents:
History of scientific thinking from Antiquity to the present

Learning activities and teaching methods:
Web course (limited participation) or literature exam on the examination day of the Faculty or History Sciences

Recommended or required reading:
Peter Whitfield: Landmarks in Western Science

Assessment methods and criteria:
Written exam
Grading:
0-5

Person responsible:
Maija Kallinen

700428S: Theories of Historical Research, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2009 -
Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Humanities
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opettajat: Fält, Olavi Kaarlo
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish
Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:
3 credits

Language of instruction:
Finnish

Timing:
4th or 5th year

Learning outcomes:
The student understands the key theoretical prerequisites in historical research and is be able to apply them in his/her own MA thesis.

Contents:
Discussions on the philosophy of history, historiography and theories in history.

Learning activities and teaching methods:
Lectures and/or literature

Recommended or required reading:

Grading:
0-5

Person responsible:
Olavi K. Fält