

## 2025 Texas Conference on Introductory History Courses

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Course	Course	
Number	Name	Description
1301	US History I	A survey of the social, political, economic, cultural, and intellectual history of the United States from the pre-Columbian era to the Civil War/Reconstruction period. United States History I includes the study of pre-Columbian, colonial, revolutionary, early national, slavery and sectionalism, and the Civil War/Reconstruction eras. Themes that may be addressed in United States History I include: American settlement and diversity, American culture, religion, civil and human rights, technological change, economic change, immigration and migration, and creation of the federal government.
1302	US History II	A survey of the social, political, economic, cultural, and intellectual history of the United States from the Civil War/Reconstruction era to the present. United States History II examines industrialization, immigration, world wars, the Great Depression, Cold War and post-Cold War eras. Themes that may be addressed in United States History II include: American culture, religion, civil and human rights, technological change, economic change, immigration and migration, urbanization and suburbanization, the expansion of the federal government, and the study of U.S. foreign policy.
2301	TX History	A survey of the political, social, economic, cultural, and intellectual history of Texas from the pre-Columbian era to the present. Themes that may be addressed in Texas History include: Spanish colonization and Spanish Texas; Mexican Texas; the Republic of Texas; statehood and secession; oil, industrialization, and urbanization; civil rights; and modern Texas.

- 1. Create an argument through the use of historical evidence.
- 2. Analyze and interpret primary and secondary sources.
- 3. Analyze the effects of historical, social, political, economic, and cultural forces on this period of U.S. History/Texas history.

Course	Course	
Number	Name	Description
2311	Western Civilization I	A survey of the social, political, economic, cultural, religious, and intellectual history of Europe and the Mediterranean world from human origins to the 17th century. Themes that should be addressed in Western Civilization I include the cultural legacies of Mesopotamia, Egypt, Greece, Rome, Byzantium, Islamic civilizations, and Europe through the Middle Ages, Renaissance, and Reformations.
2312	Western Civilization II	A survey of the social, political, economic, cultural, religious, and intellectual history of Europe and the Mediterranean world from the 17th century to the modern era. Themes that should be addressed in Western Civilization II include absolutism and constitutionalism, growth of nation states, the Enlightenment, revolutions, classical liberalism, industrialization, imperialism, global conflict, the Cold War, and globalism.

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Course Number	Course Name	Description
2321	World Civilization I	A survey of the social, political, economic, cultural, religious, and intellectual history of the world from the emergence of human cultures through the 15th century. The course examines major cultural regions of the world in Africa, the Americas, Asia, Europe, and Oceania and their global interactions over time. Themes include the emergence of early societies, the rise of civilizations, the development of political and legal systems, religion and philosophy, economic systems and trans-regional networks of exchange. The course emphasizes the development, interaction and impact of global exchange.
2322		A survey of the social, political, economic, cultural, religious, and intellectual history of the world from the 15th century to the present. The course examines major cultural regions of the world in Africa, the Americas, Asia, Europe, and Oceania and their global interactions over time. Themes include maritime exploration and transoceanic empires, nation/state formation and industrialization, imperialism, global conflicts and resolutions, and global economic integration. The course emphasizes the development, interaction and impact of global exchange.

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Course Number	Course Name	
2327	Mexican American History	A survey of the economic, social, political, intellectual, and cultural history of Mexican Americans/Chicanx. Periods include early indigenous societies, conflict and conquest, early European colonization and empires, New Spain, early revolutionary period, Mexican independence and nation building, United States expansion to the United States-Mexico War Era. Themes to be addressed are mestizaje and racial formation in the early empire, rise and fall of native and African slavery, relationship to early global economies, development of New Spain's/Mexico's northern frontier, gender and power, missions, resistance and rebellion, emergence of Mexican identities, California mission secularization, Texas independence, United States' wars with Mexico, and the making of borders and borderlands. (May be applied to U.S. History requirement.)

- 1. Create an argument through the use of historical evidence.
- 2. Analyze and interpret primary and secondary evidence.
- 3. Describe the transformation of indigenous societies from 1400-1700
- 4. Explain the causes and effects of European conquest and colonization on the Americas.
- 5. Evaluate the relative impact of mestizaje, slavery, global economics, and frontier settlement on the creation of Mexican identity.
- 6. Connect independence movements, imperial conflict, class formation, and regional resistance to the making of independent Mexico.
- 7. Discuss the transformation of communities in the borderlands as a result of Manifest Destiny and the United States-Mexico War.
- 8. Compare and contrast the borderland regions of California, New Mexico and Texas from 1800-1850.

Course Number	Course Name	
2328	Mexican American History II	A survey of the economic, social, political, intellectual, and cultural history of Mexican Americans/Chicanx. Periods include the United States-Mexico War Era, incorporation of Northern Mexico into the United States, Porfirian Mexico, and the nineteenth century American West, 1910 Mexican Revolution and Progressive Era, the Great Depression and New Deal, World War II and the Cold War, Civil Rights Era, Conservative Ascendancy, the age of NAFTA and turn of the 21st Century developments. Themes to be addressed are the making of borders and borderlands, impact of Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo, gender and power, migration and national identities, citizenship and expulsion, nineteenth century activism and displacement, industrialization and the making of a transnational Mexican working class, urbanization and community formation, emergence of a Mexican American Generation, war and citizenship, organized advocacy and activism, Chicano Movement, changing identifications and identities, trade and terrorism. (May be applied to U.S. History requirement.)

- 1. Create an argument through the use of historical evidence.
- 2. Analyze and interpret primary and secondary evidence.
- 3. Differentiate between the promises and realities of the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo.
- 4. Describe how race, gender, and class shaped material conditions and inter-ethnic dynamics for Mexican Americans in the United States.
- 5. Discuss the transnational political and economic ties between the United States and Mexico.
- 6. Assess the impact of the 1910 Mexican Revolution on the United States and Mexico.
- Articulate the place of the Mexican American struggle for civil rights within the context of the broader Civil Rights Movement.
- 8. Evaluate periods of significant change in Mexican migration patterns to the United States.
- 9. Explain the history of self-identification in Mexican American communities in the United States.

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Number	Course Name	Description
2381	African American History	A survey of the social, political, economic, cultural, and intellectual history of people of African descent in the formation and development of the United States to the Civil War/Reconstruction period. African American History I includes the study of African origins and legacy, trans Atlantic slave trade, and the experiences of African Americans during Colonial, Revolutionary, Early National, Antebellum, and the Civil War/Reconstruction Eras. This course will enable students to understand African American history as an integral part of U.S. history.
2382	African American History II	A survey of the social, political, economic, cultural, and intellectual history of people of African descent in the United States from the Civil War/Reconstruction period to the present. African American History II examines segregation, disenfranchisement, civil rights, migrations, industrialization, world wars, the Harlem Renaissance and the conditions of African Americans in the Great Depression, Cold War and post-Cold War eras. This course will enable students to understand African American history as an integral part of U.S. history.

- 1. Create an argument through the use of historical evidence.
- 2. Analyze and interpret primary and secondary sources.
- 3. Analyze the effects of historical, social, political, economic, and cultural forces on this period of African American history.

## History Course Data



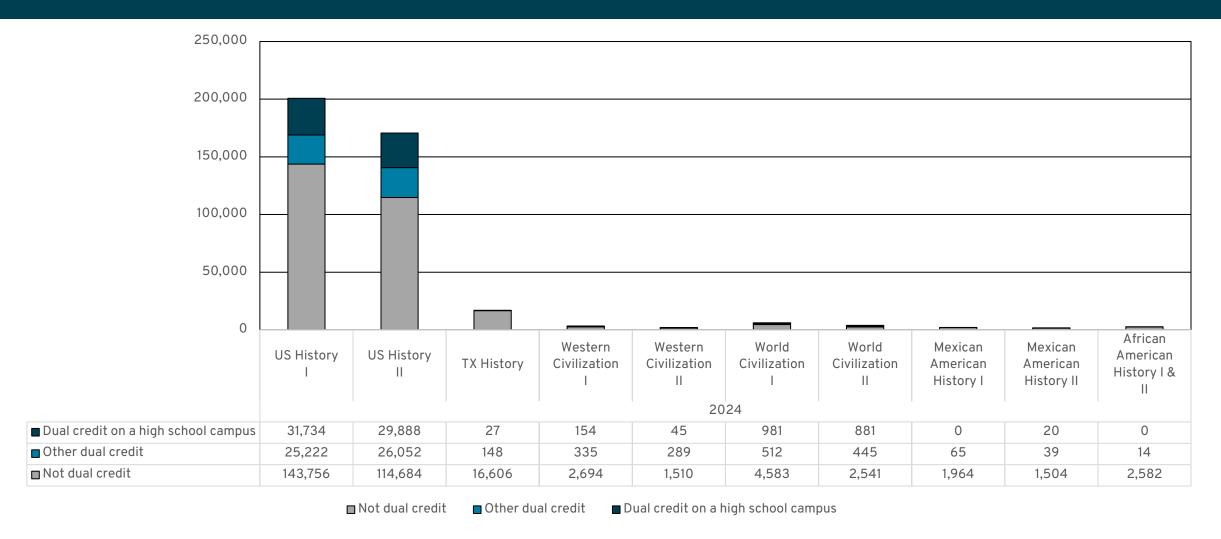
## Statewide Enrollment in History Courses

	Dual credit on a High School	Other	Not	
Year	Campus	Dual Credit	Dual Credit	Total
2019	49,115	50,145	321,839	421,099
2020	52,788	51,840	326,824	431,452
2021	45,238	61,854	288,670	395,762
2022	52,093	48,466	270,764	371,323
2023	55,237	49,142	278,819	383,198
2024	63,730	53,121	292,424	409,275

## Statewide Enrollment Trends in History Courses

Course							
Number	Course Name	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
1301	US History I	212,498	217,291	196,586	183,407	190,191	200,712
1302	US History II	178,455	183,097	165,018	154,301	157,811	170,624
2301	TX History	13,196	13,718	15,001	14,929	15,586	16,781
2311	Western Civilization I	3,695	3,324	3,205	3,064	2,905	3,183
2312	Western Civilization II	2,263	1,994	1,961	1,765	1,698	1,844
2321	World Civilization I	4,660	5,107	5,832	5,455	5,708	6,076
2322	World Civilization II	3,806	4,183	4,397	4,122	3,871	3,867
2327	Mexican American History	1,109	1,093	1,363	1,264	1,639	2,029
2328	Mexican American History II	729	850	1,078	1,145	1,237	1,563
2381	African American History	688	795	1,193	1,508	2,072	1,977
2382	African American History II			128	363	480	619

## Statewide Enrollment by History Course and Dual Credit Status (2024)



#### **History Course Grades**

			Course grade (number of students)							
	Course									
Year	number	Course Title	Α	В	С	D	F	0		
2020	1301	US History I	68,671	56,736	36,147	12,556	22,852	20,329		
2020	1302	US History II	72,656	47,552	26,141	8,121	14,274	14,353		
2020	2301	TX History	4,695	3,358	1,938	735	1,301	1,691		
2021	1301	US History I	64,768	48,229	30,078	10,912	24,859	17,740		
2021	1302	US History II	64,166	41,798	24,213	7,764	15,521	11,556		
2021	2301	TX History	4,973	3,802	2,083	741	1,726	1,676		
2022	1301	US History I	59,669	45,764	28,694	10,525	23,177	15,578		
2022	1302	US History II	59,719	40,393	23,324	7,616	13,761	9,488		
2022	2301	TX History	5,348	3,618	1,980	776	1,650	1,557		
2023	1301	US History I	64,194	48,666	29,818	10,616	21,547	15,350		
2023	1302	US History II	64,456	41,341	23,077	7,246	12,582	9,109		
2023	2301	TX History	5,506	3,715	2,162	784	1,709	1,710		
2024	1301	US History I	72,506	51,682	30,512	10,768	21,114	14,130		
2024	1302	US History II	71,838	45,083	24,539	7,508	13,030	8,626		
2024	2301	TX History	6,053	4,217	2,140	752	1,849	1,770		

<sup>&</sup>quot;O" includes the following codes: Incomplete, Withdrew, Credit/Passed, No Credit, Instructor did not provide a grade

#### **History Faculty**

			Frequencies by Year											
Institution Type	Faculty Rank **	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
	Professor	43	40	38	42	45	46	47	39	51	48	59	56	62
	Associate Professor	27	25	20	22	25	26	24	26	33	24	20	16	13
o ::	Assistant Professor	23	17	19	16	14	18	21	23	21	21	21	20	23
Community, Technical, and State Colleges	Instructor	215	211	226	205	255	259	249	239	252	244	243	223	197
and State Conleges	Other Faculty	404	405	416	420	417	424	413	425	434	410	382	381	414
	Teaching Assistant	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	No Rank	342	338	337	336	337	363	399	405	428	360	593	527	543
	Professor	164	155	157	176	160	165	167	169	164	166	162	160	162
	Associate Professor	168	176	175	194	175	172	178	192	191	183	182	173	169
	Assistant Professor	111	99	102	101	78	82	86	91	89	92	87	78	81
Public University	Instructor	2	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Other Faculty	290	278	257	289	303	300	325	367	344	324	300	314	358
	Teaching Assistant	258	234	224	229	235	219	211	194	192	126	144	151	154
	No Rank	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	O

1 – Professor 5 – Other Faculty

2 – Associate Professor 6 – Teaching Assistant

3 – Assistant Professor 7 – No Rank

4 - Instructor

<sup>\*\*</sup>Faculty ranks are coded as follows in the CBM008:

## Transfer

#### Texas Direct Associate Degree

Students attending any public two-year institution automatically qualify to receive a Texas Direct Transfer Associate Degree when they complete:



#### A FIELD OF STUDY (FOS) CURRICULUM

Discipline specific pathways that are developed with the assistance of the Texas Transfer Advisory Committee (TTAC).





#### A CORE CURRICULUM

- The college's core curriculum, or
- An approved, abbreviated FOS core curriculum that is transferable to one or more general academic teaching institutions

#### Streamlining Pathways to Success

# THECB Texas Direct

Streamlining transfer
pathways to save students &
families time, money, & effort.

#### STUDENT BENEFITS:

- More transparent and seamless transfer processes across institutions
- Opportunities to reduce time and money spent on excess credit hours
- Opportunities to optimize the number of credits applicable to a major upon transfer



#### Texas Transfer Framework

#### Standard Field of Study Curriculum

The standard field of study curriculum shall include the following:

- (1) Selected core curriculum courses.
- (2) Up to twelve (12) semester credit hours of Discipline Foundation Courses.
- (3) At least six (6) semester credit hours of Directed Electives.
- (4) The Directed Electives and Discipline Foundation Courses combined components of the standard field of study curriculum may not exceed twenty (20) semester credit hours in total.

#### Alternative Field of Study Curriculum (NEW)

The alternative framework for field of study curriculum shall include the following:

- (1) Up to thirty (30) semester credit hours of selected Texas Core Curriculum Courses as prescribed by subsection (b) of this section.
- (2) A minimum of eighteen (18) semester credit hours, not to exceed twenty-four (24) semester credit hours of Discipline Foundation Courses as prescribed in subsection (b)(2) of this section.
- (3) Up to twelve (12) semester credit hours of Directed Electives as prescribed in subsection (b)(3) of this section.



## Field of Study Curriculum History (BS)

#### **Discipline-Specific Core Curriculum Courses**

HIST 1301: United States History I HIST 1302: United States History II

#### **Discipline Foundation Courses**

HIST 2321: World Civilizations I HIST 2322: World Civilizations II

HIST 2301: Texas History

#### **Discipline Foundation Courses**

2 courses (6 SCH/8 SCH) from the ACGM

#### Current Status of Revised Fields of Study

Revised FOS	Status of Implementation
<ol> <li>Business Administration</li> <li>Criminal Justice</li> <li>Sociology</li> <li>Social Work</li> <li>Political Science</li> <li>Psychology</li> <li>Nursing</li> <li>History (BS Only)</li> <li>Education - 4-8</li> <li>Education - EC-6</li> <li>Education - EC-3</li> <li>Communications</li> </ol>	Approved.
13. Biology	Approved by TTAC and subcommittee co-chairs/TTAC co-chairs reviewing comments received.
14. Exercise Science	Approved by TTAC and institutions are completing the survey to submit directed electives.
15. English	Approved by TTAC and subcommittee co-chairs/TTAC co-chairs reviewing comments received.
16. History (BA)	Subcommittee developed a recommended FOS and will be presented at the fall TTAC meeting.
17. Computer and Information Sciences	Subcommittees meeting November 3-4 to work to develop a FOS.
18. Engineering	Subcommittee was established by TTAC and will meet in the spring.



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