

2025 - 2026 Old Dominion University Catalog

Bachelor of Arts (BA) in History

Sample four year curriculum with a suggested ordering of courses. Students may re-order as needed.

** indicates not automatically waived with transferrable associates degree, C or better required for transfer.*

*Courses in **green** are waived by the completion of an Associate degree (Not eligible for Applied Associate degrees).*

YEAR 1 - FRESHMAN (30 CREDITS)			
FALL SEMESTER (15 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:	SPRING SEMESTER (15 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:
ENGL 110C (Grade of C or better required)	ENG 111*	Literature	Transfer Guide
Language & Culture I	Transfer Guide*	Language & Culture II	Transfer Guide*
Interpreting the Past	Transfer Guide	Human Behavior	Transfer Guide
Human Creativity	Transfer Guide	Oral Communication	Transfer Guide
Mathematical Skills	Transfer Guide	3-credit elective course	
YEAR 2 - SOPHOMORE (32 CREDITS)			
FALL SEMESTER (16 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:	SPRING SEMESTER (16 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:
ENGL 211C or 231C (Grade of C or better required)	ENG 112, 113, 115, 131*	Impact of Technology**	Transfer Guide
The Nature of Science I	Transfer Guide	The Nature of Science II	Transfer Guide
Language & Culture III	Transfer Guide	Language & Culture IV	Transfer Guide
Philosophy and Ethics	Transfer Guide	HIST 300 or 400-level elective***	
HIST 201 (Satisfies Information Literacy and Research)		HIST 300 or 400-level elective***	
YEAR 3 - JUNIOR (30 CREDITS)			
FALL SEMESTER (15 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:	SPRING SEMESTER (15 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:
<u>Major Coursework:</u>		<u>Major Coursework:</u>	
HIST 300 or 400-level elective***		HIST 300 or 400-level elective***	
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<u>Upper Division Gen. Ed. Coursework:</u> ****		Applied History course or Internship	
300-/400-level course in minor subject		<u>Upper Division Gen. Ed. Coursework:</u> ****	
HIST 300 or 400-level elective***		300-/400-level course in minor subject	
<u>Elective Coursework:</u> *****		<u>Elective Coursework:</u> *****	
3-credit elective course		3-credit elective course	
YEAR 4 - SENIOR (28 CREDITS)			
FALL SEMESTER (15 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:	SPRING SEMESTER (13 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:
<u>Major Coursework:</u>		<u>Upper Division Gen. Ed. Coursework:</u> ****	
HIST 402W (Grade of C or better required)		300-/400-level course in minor subject	
HIST 300 or 400-level elective***		<u>Elective Coursework:</u> *****	
<u>Upper Division Gen. Ed. Coursework:</u> ****		3-credit elective course	
300-/400-level course in minor subject		3-credit elective course	
<u>Elective Coursework:</u> *****		3-credit elective course	
3-credit elective course		1-credit elective course	
3-credit elective course			

******May be met in the major by HIST 300T, 304T, 386T or 389T. If so, a 3-credit elective may be taken instead.

*******A minimum of one course from three of the four fields is required, one of which must be 400-level. Fields include: United States History, European History, Area Studies (Asia, Latin America, Middle East, Russia, Africa) and Comparative History. Consult with your advisor.

********Upper Division General Education may be satisfied by several options. Consult your catalog and advisor for your best option.

*********Consult with your advisor for correct elective choices.

Requirements for graduation include a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.00 overall and in the major, a grade of C or better in all courses required for the major, including prerequisite courses, 120 credit hours, which must include both a minimum of 30 credit hours overall and 12 credit hours in upper-level courses in the major program from Old Dominion University, completion of ENGL 110C, ENGL 211C or 221C or 231C, and a writing intensive (W) course in the major with a grade of C or better, and completion of Senior Assessment.

This four-year plan is a suggested curriculum to complete this degree program in four years. It is just one of several plans that will work and is presented only as broad guidance to students. Each student is strongly encouraged to develop a customized plan in consultation with their academic advisor. Additional information can also be found in Degree Works.