HISTORY OF SCIENCE, MEDICINE AND TECHNOLOGY, PHD

REQUIREMENTS

MINIMUM GRADUATE SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

Review the Graduate School minimum academic progress and degree requirements (http://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/policiesandrequirements#text), in addition to the program requirements listed below.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

MODE OF INSTRUCTION

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<th>Face to Face</th>
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Mode of Instruction Definitions

**Accelerated:** Accelerated programs are offered at a fast pace that condenses the time to completion. Students typically take enough credits aimed at completing the program in a year or two.

**Evening/Weekend:** Courses meet on the UW–Madison campus only in evenings and/or on weekends to accommodate typical business schedules. Students have the advantages of face-to-face courses with the flexibility to keep work and other life commitments.

**Face-to-Face:** Courses typically meet during weekdays on the UW-Madison Campus.

**Hybrid:** These programs combine face-to-face and online learning formats. Contact the program for more specific information.

**Online:** These programs are offered 100% online. Some programs may require an on-campus orientation or residency experience, but the courses will be facilitated in an online format.

CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS

**Requirement** | **Detail** | **Credits**
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<td>Minimum Credit</td>
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<td>Minimum Residence Credit</td>
<td>32 credits</td>
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<td>Minimum Graduate Coursework Requirement</td>
<td>26 credits must be graduate-level coursework. Refer to the Graduate School: Minimum Graduate Coursework (50%) Requirement policy: <a href="https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244">https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244</a> (<a href="https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244/">https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244/</a>).</td>
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Overall Graduate GPA Requirement

3.25 GPA required.

Other Grade Requirements

n/a

Assessments and Examinations

In order to receive the History PhD, all students must pass the preliminary exam and the PhD dissertation defense.

Preliminary Examination: Each field of study has its own exact requirements for prelims, but all include written exams and an oral defense of the student’s research proposal and knowledge of the field.


Language Requirements

The program requires proficiency in a foreign language and either a second foreign language or the use of an analytical tool as described below. Students who are working toward a degree as part of a combined MD/PhD program only need to demonstrate proficiency in one foreign language.

Students must demonstrate proficiency in a language other than English in order to pass the Second-Year Review. Students must also demonstrate proficiency in either a second language other than English or the use of an analytical tool (e.g. statistical methods, visual culture methods, ethnography) before achieving dissertator (ABD) status.

If a student chooses the option of an analytical tool, the student must submit a proposal to be approved by the HSMT faculty. Once approved, the student must complete 9 credits appropriate to gaining competency in the use of this set of tools. Students must make at least a 3.0 (B grade or better) in these courses. Credits taken towards a graduate minor may not be used towards the completion of the analytical tool option.

Dissertator status, with its attendant reduction in tuition, is contingent upon satisfying these two requirements.

Graduate School Breadth Requirement

All doctoral students are required to complete a doctoral minor or graduate/professional certificate. Refer to the Graduate School: Breadth Requirement in Doctoral Training policy: https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1200 (https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1200/).

REQUIRED COURSES

**Core**

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<td>HISTORY 701</td>
<td>History in a Global Perspective</td>
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<td>HIST SCI 720</td>
<td>Proseminar: Historiography and Methods</td>
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<td>HISTORY 800</td>
<td>Research Seminar in History</td>
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**Six Distribution Areas**

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Students must complete courses in each of the following distribution areas. Courses may fulfill more than one distribution area.

**Temporal**
- 1. Pre 1800
- 2. 1800 to the Present

**Topical**
- 3. Science/Technology
- 4. Medicine/Public Health

**Geographic**
- 5. Global/Non-Western
- 6. Euro-American

**Electives**
11
Work with your advisors to complete additional elective credits in courses numbered 700 and above.

**Seminars**
Students must complete two seminars numbered 700 and above.

**Breadth**
9

**Language Requirement**
Students must gain proficiency in a second foreign language prior to taking the preliminary examination. Courses are chosen in consultation with advisor.

**Research**
After passing the preliminary examination, students register for the following course each semester until they deposit their dissertation.

**HISTORY 990 Research and Thesis**
1-9

**Total Credits**
51

Students are also recommended to take HISTORY 999 Independent Work and HISTORY 710 Professional Development Seminar.

### Distribution Areas
#### Temporal Distribution Area Courses

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<td>Race, American Medicine and Public Health</td>
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<td>Women and Health in American History</td>
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<td>The History of the (American) Body</td>
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<td>Disease, Medicine and Public Health in the History of Latin America and the Caribbean</td>
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<td>The Development of Public Health in America</td>
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<td>MED HIST 753 &amp; MED HIST/POP HLTH 553</td>
<td>International Health and Global Society and International Health and Global Society</td>
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<td>HIST SCI 555</td>
<td>Undergraduate Seminar in History of Science (Digital Capitalism)</td>
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<td>PHARMACY 563</td>
<td>Drug History: Dangerous Drugs and Magic Bullets</td>
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<td>Psychedelic History: Sacred Plants, Science &amp; Psychotherapy</td>
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<td>HIST SCI 907</td>
<td>Seminar: History of Technology (Technology, Power, and Democracy)</td>
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<td>Graduate Studies in Medical History (Life and Death in American History)</td>
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### Topical Distribution Area Courses

#### 3. Science/Technology

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<td>The Scientific Revolution: From Copernicus to Newton and Studies in Early Modern Science</td>
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<td>HIST SCI 555</td>
<td>Undergraduate Seminar in History of Science</td>
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<td>Seminar: Medieval, Renaissance, and 17th Century Science (Early Modern Translation)</td>
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<td>Seminar-Eighteenth Century Science (Early Modern Translation)</td>
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<td>Seminar-Eighteenth Century Science (Flesh and Metal: A History of Bodies, Race, Labor, and Capital)</td>
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<td>Seminar-Special Topics (Science and Empire)</td>
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**Notes:**
- Distribution Areas
- Temporal
- Topical
- Geographic
- Electives
- Seminars
- Breadth
- Language Requirement
- Research
- Total Credits
- Recommended Courses
- History of Science, Medicine and Technology, PhD
HIST SCI 921 Seminar-Special Topics (Science from the South) 3
HIST SCI 921 Seminar-Special Topics (Science, Race, and Nature) 3

4. Medicine/Public Health
HIST SCI/S &A PHM 401 History of Pharmacy 2
HIST SCI 404 A History of Disease 3-4
HIST SCI/HISTORY/ MED HIST 508 Health, Disease and Healing II 3-4
HIST SCI/ MED HIST 509 The Development of Public Health in America 3
HIST SCI/ AFROAMER/ MED HIST 523 Race, American Medicine and Public Health 3
HIST SCI/GEN&WS/ MED HIST 531 Women and Health in American History 3
HIST SCI/AFROAMER/ MED HIST 523 The History of the (American) Body 3
MED HIST/HIST SCI/ POP HLTH 553 & MED HIST 753 International Health and Global Society and International Health and Global Society 4
PHARMACY 563 Drug History: Dangerous Drugs and Magic Bullets 2
HIST SCI/HISTORY/ MED HIST 564 Disease, Medicine and Public Health in the History of Latin America and the Caribbean 3
HIST SCI/ MED HIST 919 Graduate Studies in Medical History (Life and Death in American History) 3
HIST SCI/ MED HIST 919 Graduate Studies in Medical History (Flesh and Metal: A History of Bodies, Race, Labor, and Capital) 3
HIST SCI/ MED HIST 919 Graduate Studies in Medical History (Foucault for Historians) 3

5. Global/Non-Western
HIST SCI/HISTORY 323 & HIST SCI 623 The Scientific Revolution: From Copernicus to Newton and Studies in Early Modern Science 4
HIST SCI/ S&A PHM 401 History of Pharmacy 2
MED HIST/HIST SCI/ POP HLTH 553 & MED HIST 753 International Health and Global Society and International Health and Global Society 4
HIST SCI/HISTORY/ MED HIST 564 Disease, Medicine and Public Health in the History of Latin America and the Caribbean 3
HIST SCI 903 Seminar: Medieval, Renaissance, and 17th Century Science (Early Modern Translation) 3
HIST SCI 911 Seminar-Eighteenth Century Science (Early Modern Translation) 3

HIST SCI/ MED HIST 919 Graduate Studies in Medical History (Flesh and Metal: A History of Bodies, Race, Labor, and Capital) 3
HIST SCI 921 Seminar-Special Topics (Science from the South) 3
HIST SCI 921 Seminar-Special Topics (Science and Empire) 3
HIST SCI 921 Seminar-Special Topics (Science, Race, and Nature) 3

6. Euro-American
HIST SCI 404 A History of Disease 3-4
HIST SCI/HISTORY/ MED HIST 508 Health, Disease and Healing II 3-4
HIST SCI/ MED HIST 509 The Development of Public Health in America 3
HIST SCI/ AFROAMER/ MED HIST 523 Race, American Medicine and Public Health 3
HIST SCI/GEN&WS/ MED HIST 531 Women and Health in American History 3
HIST SCI/GEN&WS/ MED HIST 532 The History of the (American) Body 3
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History of England Pathway
This pathway is intended for students with doctoral training in one of the health professions.

Code Title Credits
HIST SCI 720 Proseminar: Historiography and Methods 3
HIST SCI/HISTORY/ MED HIST 507 Health, Disease and Healing I 3-4
HIST SCI/HISTORY/ MED HIST 508 Health, Disease and Healing II 3-4
HIST SCI/ MED HIST 509 The Development of Public Health in America 3
STS 901 Science, Technology and Medicine in Society 3

Additional History of Medicine Course
Electives 3
Seminars 9

All Medical History courses
Students must complete two seminars numbered 700 and above.

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1 These pathways are internal to the program and represent different curricular paths a student can follow to earn this degree. Pathway names do not appear in the Graduate School admissions application, and they will not appear on the transcript.