

Students are admitted to UCSC with a "proposed major" in most cases, and later petition to officially declare the major. Admission to UCSC does not guarantee acceptance into a particular major. Junior transfer students must be officially declared in a major by the deadline in their second quarter of enrollment.

Major: HISTORY

Qualification requirements and/or prerequisites for the major:

The history major does not have any qualification requirements and/or prerequisites. Transfer students are encouraged to declare the history major during Summer Orientation.

History majors focus their studies in one of three concentrations:

- [The Americas and Africa](#)
- [Europe and the Mediterranean World](#)
- [Asia and the Pacific](#).

Students should consider what kind of history interests them most and what they'd most like to study.

Transfer students who intend to pursue this major should do the following prior to the beginning of their first term...

Consult the [history undergraduate program coordinator](#) to determine if coursework completed at another institution will satisfy the introductory survey course requirement:

- Americas and Africa: most transfer courses apply
- Europe/Mediterranean: some transfer courses apply
- Asia/Pacific: few transfer courses apply.

Prospective history majors are advised to attend Summer Orientation where they will receive detailed information about the major requirements, meet with an adviser one-on-one, and receive assistance with their history course enrollment.

...and should take these courses their first term:

A lower division introductory survey course in their area of concentration (if not satisfied with a transfer course), HIS 100: *Historical Skills and Methods*, and at least one upper division history course (HIS 100-189).

If unable to enroll in courses listed above:

Students who are unable to enroll in HIS 100 are advised to sign up on the course wait list. Students may also take HIS 100 in winter quarter. Students unable to enroll in their first choice upper division history class are advised to sign up on the class wait list and enroll in an alternate/backup upper division history course.

Skills important for success in this major:

Critical reading skills, analytical writing abilities, and the ability to gather, evaluate, and present evidence.

Although not required for the major, students in this major might benefit from:

At this early stage in their degree progress, students are encouraged to enroll in any upper division history courses (HIS 100 - HIS 189) that look interesting to them. Majors are encouraged to broadly explore their interests within the history discipline.

Other information:

Prospective history majors are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the [2018-2019 History Undergraduate Curriculum](#), an invaluable tool for making an enrollment plan for the coming academic year.

Transfer students may apply up to three history courses completed at another college or university to their history major requirements, with no more than two courses from any single geographic region of concentration. More information is available on the [History Department website](#).

Links to More Information:

- <http://admissions.ucsc.edu/academics/majors/> (general info)
- <http://registrar.ucsc.edu/catalog/programs-courses/>
- <http://history.ucsc.edu/undergraduate/history-major/> (program website)
- <http://www.assist.org/web-assist/welcome.html> (transfer credit info)

Questions? Contact an Adviser!

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