The Graduate Program in History at the University of Pennsylvania has a long tradition of distinction. Beginning as one of the first programs in the United States to offer doctoral study in history, (the first Ph.D. in History was conferred in 1891); the Department continues to pioneer new areas of scholarship. In the last twenty years, faculty members of the departments in American, European, and World History have assumed a leading role in their fields. Today, few departments in the country match Penn's Department of History in coverage and depth across the entire range of history from medieval times to the present.

For more information: http://www.history.upenn.edu/graduate/program-guidelines

View the University’s Academic Requirements for PhD Degrees (http://catalog.upenn.edu/pennbook/academic-rules-phd/).

### Sample Plan of Study

The total course units required for graduation is 14.

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**Year 1**

**Fall**
- HIST 700 Proseminar in History
- Select two other courses

**Spring**
- HIST 700 Proseminar in History
- Select two other courses

**Qualifying Examination**

**Year 2**

**Fall**
- Select two courses
- Teaching Requirement

**Spring**
- Select two courses
- Teaching Requirement
- Complete Research Requirement
- Summer Dissertation Proposal Workshop

**Year 3**
- Complete course requirements
- Teaching Requirements
- Complete language requirement before Candidacy Examination
- Candidacy Examination

**Year 4 and Beyond**
- Dissertation Research

**Program Milestones**
- Language and Technical Competency Requirement
- Field Requirements
- Teaching Requirement

The degree and major requirements displayed are intended as a guide for students entering in the Fall of 2020 and later. Students should consult with their academic program regarding final certifications and requirements for graduation.