In Winter 2015 the History Department is offering two gateway courses and three introductory courses for first-year students. These are our equivalents of Psychology 111 or Political Science 101.

History has no mandatory prerequisites, unlike many other departments. Rather, we provide FLEXIBILITY to encourage students to take gateway or introductory courses that match your interests.

Don’t be intimidated by 200-level History courses, or by taking the second half of a survey. Many of the introductory surveys in History are numbered at the 200 level so that they can count toward the requirements of the major. ALL are designed to be taken independently of the first half of the survey. Most of our introductory surveys fulfill LSA distribution requirements, including in some cases R&E. Check them out!

**Introductory History Courses**

**History 101:** "What is History?" explores the connections between past, present and future

**History 102:** "History of the Present" connects today’s headlines to pivotal historical events.

**History 214:** "Modern Europe" is the second half of the European history survey - the history you didn’t learn in High School

**History 240:** "The World Since 1492" is the second half of the world survey, a great elective for International Studies majors, and a core course for the Minor in Global History.

**History 261:** "The United States since 1865" is the second half of the U.S. survey and is also the equivalent of other departments' 100-level introductory courses.
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courses specifically geared toward incoming students

History at the University of Michigan starts at ANY level. Unlike in other disciplines, students are encouraged and expected to take 200 and 300 level courses that speak to their interests. There are no prerequisites and each course teaches the skills necessary for success!!! You will moreover hone skills crucial in any career – think out side the box, see hidden connections, make convincing arguments and read your way into unfamiliar territory.

Regardless of where your future may lie, your future discipline, branch, industry, or field is most likely embroiled in numerous interconnected histories. We teach the history of everything - the history of different places, times, peoples, ideas, cultures, races, genders, wars, conflicts, disasters, institutions, objects, hopes and dreams.

The courses listed below are suitable for incoming and advanced students. If you have any questions about the history department, about particular courses or about what to expect from history at U of M, don’t hesitate to email the departmental advisor Anne Berg (akberg@umich.edu).

**Big Picture History**
- Hist 105: History of Religion
- Hist 238: Zoom: History of Everything
- Hist 234: History of Medicine

**Contemporary Issues:**
- Hist 244: Arab-Israeli Conflict
- Hist 235: Law & Social Justice
- Hist 272: Modern Civil Rights

**Some Old Time Favorites**
- Hist 301: The Rise of the Corporation
- Hist 375: History of Witchcraft
- Hist 322: Origins of Nazism