

HISTORY OF SCIENCE, MEDICINE AND TECHNOLOGY, MA

REQUIREMENTS

MINIMUM GRADUATE SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

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

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

MODE OF INSTRUCTION

Face to Face	Evening/Weekend	Online	Hybrid	Accelerated
Yes	No	No	No	No

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	
Minimum Credit Requirement	30 credits
Minimum Residence Credit Requirement	MA: 18 credits MA with history of medicine specialization: 24 credits
Minimum Graduate Coursework Requirement	22 credits must be completed in graduate-level coursework in the HSMT graduate program. Refer to the Graduate School: Minimum Graduate Coursework (50%) Requirement policy: https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244 (https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244/).
Overall Graduate	3.00 (3.25 after 4th semester of full-time study).

GPA

Requirement

Other Grade n/a

Requirements

Assessments and Examinations In order to receive the master's degree, students must pass the Second-Year Review (SYR). A passing review requires that students: complete a article-length research paper, fulfill one language requirement, clear all incompletes, fulfill any additional requirements for their specific field of study, submit a list of prelim fields along with a timeline for completing prelims, and receive a positive endorsement from the three faculty members on the review committee.

Language Requirements MA: Demonstrate, at a minimum, reading knowledge of at least one language other than English.

MA with history of medicine specialization: No foreign language requirement.

REQUIRED COURSES

MA Course Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
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Required Courses

HISTORY 701	History in a Global Perspective	1
HIST SCI 720	Proseminar: Historiography and Methods	3
HISTORY 800	Research Seminar in History (or an equivalent research seminar)	3

Six Distribution Areas: Students must complete coursework in each of the following distribution areas. Courses may count towards more than one distribution area. **12**

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

List of all HIST SCI courses (http://guide.wisc.edu/courses/hist_sci/)

Electives **11**

Work with your advisors to complete additional elective credits in courses numbered greater than 700.

Total Credits **30**

Distribution Area Courses

Code	Title	Credits
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Temporal Distribution Areas

<i>1. Pre 1800</i>		
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	PHARMACY 564	Psychedelic History: Sacred Plants, Science & Psychotherapy	3
HIST SCI 903	Seminar: Medieval, Renaissance, and 17th Century Science (Early Modern Translation)	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 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 907	Seminar: History of Technology (Technology, Power, and Democracy)	3
<i>2. 1800 to the Present</i>			HIST SCI 921	Seminar-Special Topics (Science and Empire)	3
HIST SCI 404	A History of Disease	3-4	HIST SCI 921	Seminar-Special Topics (Science from the South)	3
HIST SCI/HISTORY/ MED HIST 508	Health, Disease and Healing II	3-4	HIST SCI 921	Seminar-Special Topics (Science, Race, and Nature)	3
HIST SCI/ AFROAMER/ MED HIST 523	Race, American Medicine and Public Health	3	<i>4. Medicine/Public Health</i>		
HIST SCI/GEN&WS/ MED HIST 531	Women and Health in American History	3	HIST SCI/ S&A PHM 401	History of Pharmacy	2
HIST SCI/GEN&WS/ MED HIST 532	The History of the (American) Body	3	HIST SCI 404	A History of Disease	3-4
HIST SCI/HISTORY/ MED HIST 564	Disease, Medicine and Public Health in the History of Latin America and the Caribbean	3	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/ MED HIST 509	The Development of Public Health in America	3
MED HIST/HIST SCI/ POP HLTH 553 & MED HIST 753	International Health and Global Society and International Health and Global Society	4	HIST SCI/ AFROAMER/ MED HIST 523	Race, American Medicine and Public Health	3
HIST SCI 555	Undergraduate Seminar in History of Science (Digital Capitalism)	3	HIST SCI/GEN&WS/ MED HIST 531	Women and Health in American History	3
PHARMACY 563	Drug History: Dangerous Drugs and Magic Bullets	2	HIST SCI/GEN&WS/ MED HIST 532	The History of the (American) Body	3
PHARMACY 564	Psychedelic History: Sacred Plants, Science & Psychotherapy	3	MED HIST/HIST SCI/ POP HLTH 553 & MED HIST 753	International Health and Global Society and International Health and Global Society	4
HIST SCI 907	Seminar: History of Technology (Technology, Power, and Democracy)	3	PHARMACY 563	Drug History: Dangerous Drugs and Magic Bullets	2
HIST SCI/ MED HIST 919	Graduate Studies in Medical History (Life and Death in American History)	3	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 (Foucault for Historians)	3	HIST SCI/ MED HIST 919	Graduate Studies in Medical History (Life and Death in American History)	3
HIST SCI 921	Seminar-Special Topics (Science from the South)	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 and Empire)	3	HIST SCI/ MED HIST 919	Graduate Studies in Medical History (Foucault for Historians)	3
HIST SCI 921	Seminar-Special Topics (Science, Race and Nature)	3	Geographic Distribution Areas		
Topical Distribution Areas			<i>5. Global/Non-Western</i>		
<i>3. Science/Technology</i>			HIST SCI/ HISTORY 323 & HIST SCI 623	The Scientific Revolution: From Copernicus to Newton and Studies in Early Modern Science	4
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HIST SCI 555	Undergraduate Seminar in History of Science	3			

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 507	Health, Disease and Healing I	3-4
HIST SCI/HISTORY/ MED HIST 564	Disease, Medicine and Public Health in the History of Latin America and the Caribbean	3	HIST SCI/HISTORY/ MED HIST 508	Health, Disease and Healing II	3-4
HIST SCI 903	Seminar: Medieval, Renaissance, and 17th Century Science (Early Modern Translation)	3	HIST SCI/ MED HIST 509	The Development of Public Health in America	3
HIST SCI 911	Seminar-Eighteenth Century Science (Early Modern Translation)	3	STS 901	Science, Technology and Medicine in Society	3
HIST SCI/ MED HIST 919	Graduate Studies in Medical History (Flesh and Metal: A History of Bodies, Race, Labor, and Capital)	3	Additional History of Medicine course		3
HIST SCI 921	Seminar-Special Topics (Science from the South)	3	All Medical History Courses (http://guide.wisc.edu/courses/med_hist/)		
HIST SCI 921	Seminar-Special Topics (Science and Empire)	3	Additional History of Science course (numbered 300-600 or above)		3
HIST SCI 921	Seminar-Special Topics (Science, Race, and Nature)	3	All History of Science Courses (http://guide.wisc.edu/courses/hist_sci/)		
<i>6. Euro-American</i>			Electives		9
HIST SCI 404	A History of Disease	3-4	Total Credits		30
HIST SCI/HISTORY/ MED HIST 508	Health, Disease and Healing II	3-4	¹ These pathways are internal to the program and represent different pathways a student can follow to earn this degree. Pathways names do not appear in the Graduate School admissions application, and they will not appear on the transcript.		
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			
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HIST SCI/ MED HIST 919	Graduate Studies in Medical History (Foucault for Historians)	3			

History of Medicine Pathway¹

This pathway within the MA is intended for students with doctoral training in one of the health professions who wish to pursue a master's degree in the history of medicine.

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Required Courses		
HIST SCI 720	Proseminar: Historiography and Methods	3