



Application for Honors Program in History

2021-2022

Applicant Information					
Full Name:				Date:	
Email Address:			Phone:		
BU ID:			History GPA:		Overall GPA: <input type="text"/>
Major(s):			Faculty Advisor:		
Are you writing an honors thesis for any other departments?	<input type="checkbox"/>		If so, which?		

Senior history majors possessing the requisite grade point level (a minimum of 3.0 in all courses, 3.5 in all history courses) can choose to complete the History Department’s Honors Program by enrolling in HI 401/402, a two-semester seminar that will guide students through the research and writing of an honors thesis. The ultimate goal will be the production of a 45-50 page honors thesis on a subject of the student’s choice, grounded in primary research. The seminar instructor will advise students individually and facilitate a workshop environment for all thesis writers. Students will also work with a faculty advisor in a related research discipline. Students who fulfill the requirements for HI 401/402 and who receive a grade of B+ or higher on the thesis, will graduate with Honors in History.

Students wishing to write a senior thesis must secure the approval of a faculty advisor and the seminar instructor in advance.

HI 401/402 will count jointly as a single 400- or 500-level seminar towards the completion of the History major. You may not apply the remaining 4 credits to your History major; these are considered honors program credits earned on top of the courses required for the concentration.

Instructor for 2021-2022: Benjamin Siegel (siegelb@bu.edu)

In order to apply for the Honors Program, please fill out the above applicant information and attach a brief description of your proposed project, indicating whether you have located a collection of archival or primary sources. If you have not yet determined the primary source base for your project, do you intend to conduct primary research in the Boston area, or to travel?

There is no official deadline for applications. Students should turn in their applications to the History Department and/or Professor Siegel as soon as they would like it to be considered. Professor Siegel will contact interested students once the application is received. An in-person meeting may be required in addition to the application.