

HISTORY WITH 3+3 TRACK TO LAW (BA)



This program was approved for students entering the university in the Summer 2025-Spring 2026 catalog year. For more information about catalog year, go to Catalog Year Information (<https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/university-wide-unit-specific-policies/catalog-year/>).

Bachelor of Arts in History with a 3+3 Track to Law

Unit: College of Arts and Sciences (<http://www.louisville.edu/a-s/>) (AS)
Department: History (<http://louisville.edu/history/>)
Academic Plan Code(s): HISTBA_3+3

Program Information

The College of Arts & Sciences and the Louis D. Brandeis School of Law have joined forces to create 3+3 Accelerated Law programs that allow eligible students in the College of Arts & Sciences to begin law school in their senior year of undergraduate study. Students substitute undergraduate major requirements with the first 30 hours of law school, earning an undergraduate degree after their first year of law school and a Juris Doctor (JD) degree two years later. Students must have completed three years (6 semesters) of undergraduate course work, including transfer credit and credit earned in summers, prior to enrollment at Brandeis.

Completion of this degree requires work to be submitted for the department's Learning Outcomes Measurement. For details, contact the department.

Degree Summary

Code	Title	Hours
	General Education Requirements (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/) ¹	31
	College/School Requirements	22
	Program/Major Requirements ¹	39
	Law School Courses	30
	Minimum Total Hours	122

¹ Some credit hours from the General Education Requirements may be satisfied by courses defined by the program, in which case additional electives will be required to complete the minimum hours for the degree. See the Degree Requirements tab for specific coursework.

Specific coursework information can be found on the Degree Requirements tab.

Departmental Admission Requirements

Admission to the BA in History requires a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0 and a minimum grade point average of 2.0 on courses in the major. A 3.5 GPA is recommended by the School of Law (see below).

The Application for Major form can be found on the Arts & Sciences Advising Center website (<http://louisville.edu/artsandsciences/advising/apply/>).

Admission to Law School

Admission to the 3+3 track does not guarantee admission to the law school. Students seeking admission to law school must complete a law school application and satisfy all of Brandeis' admissions requirements, including its median GPA and LSAT expectations.

The law school requires that students seeking admission through the 3+3 program have completed three years of undergraduate course work, including transfer credit and credit earned in summer. It is recommended that students planning to pursue this track have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.5.

For more information on Brandeis and its admissions requirements, please contact the Brandeis School of Law Office of Admissions (<http://louisville.edu/law/admissions/>). The office can also arrange for you to visit the law school and to sit in on a class.

General Education Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
	General Education Requirements (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/) [*]	31

The following courses are required by the program and can satisfy the respective General Education Requirement:

HIST 101	History of Civilizations I - D2 (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), SBH (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)
or HIST 102	History of Civilizations II - D2 (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), SBH (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)
or HIST 103	The World Since 1900 - D2 (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), SBH (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)
HIST 104	American History I - D1 (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), SBH (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)
or HIST 105	American History II - D1 (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), SBH (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)

Courses above satisfy the SBH, D1 and D2 requirements; students will need to complete an additional course designated SB or SBH to complete the Social & Behavioral Sciences Requirement.

*All degrees require the completion of the University-wide General Education Program (link provided above). Some General Education requirements may be met in the requirements for the major or supporting coursework, in which case additional electives may be required to complete the minimum hours for the degree.

College/School Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Arts & Sciences Requirements		
GEN 100 or GEN 101	Student Success Center First Year Experience Arts & Sciences First Year Experience	1
Foreign Language ¹		12
Electives in Humanities or Natural Sciences ²		9
WR—two approved courses at the 300 level or above ³		
Minimum Total Hours		22

Program/Major Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Department of History		
Select two of the following:		6
HIST 101	History of Civilizations I - D2 (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), SBH (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	
HIST 102	History of Civilizations II - D2 (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), SBH (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	
or HIST 103	The World Since 1900 - D2 (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), SBH (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	
HIST 104	American History I - D1 (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), SBH (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	
HIST 105	American History II - D1 (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), SBH (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	
HIST 304	Historical Methods - WR (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/) ⁴	3
HIST 504	Research Seminar in the Americas - CUE (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), WR (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	3

HIST 505	Research Seminar in World History - CUE (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), WR (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	3
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<i>Pre-Modern World</i> ⁵		
Select one of the following:		3
HIST 301	Early Political Thought	
HIST 340	Ancient Mediterranean World	
HIST 341	The Ancient Near East	
HIST 342	Ancient Greece	
HIST 343	The Roman World	
HIST 345	Culture of the Ancient Near East	
HIST 346	Greek and Roman Culture	
HIST 350	Origins of Christianity	
HIST 351	Medieval Europe I	
HIST 352	Medieval Europe II	
HIST 356	Islamic Middle East	
HIST 393	African History Before 1800 - D2 (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), SBH (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	

<i>The Americas (US, Caribbean/Latin America)</i> ⁵		
Select three of the following:		9
HIST 305	Historical Geography of the United States	
HIST 311	United States Economic History	
HIST 312	History of US Foreign Relations I	
HIST 313	Comparative Environmental History	
HIST 314	History of US Foreign Relations II	
HIST 315	United States Constitutional History I - WR (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	
HIST 316	United States Constitutional History II - WR (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	
HIST 317	African American History Through Film	
HIST 318	U.S. in the Sixties	
HIST 319	African-American History I	
HIST 320	African-American History II - D1 (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), SBH (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	
HIST 321	Black Culture and U.S. Democracy	
HIST 322	The History of the Civil Rights Movement, 1900 to Present	
HIST 323	Modern American Social Movements	
HIST 324	The History of Women, 1700 to the Present	
HIST 326	History of Childhood in America - D1 (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), SBH (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), WR (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	

HIST 327	American and U.S. Military History to 1877	
HIST 328	American and U.S. Military History Since 1877	
HIST 329	History of the New South	
HIST 331	Colonial Latin America	
HIST 332	Latin America, 1820 to Present	
HIST 333	Women in Latin American History	
HIST 361	Modern Jewish History: The 20th Century	
HIST 362	The United States and the Middle East	
<i>The World</i> ^{5,6}		
Select three of the following:		9
HIST 313	Comparative Environmental History	
HIST 341	The Ancient Near East	
HIST 345	Culture of the Ancient Near East	
HIST 350	Origins of Christianity	
HIST 356	Islamic Middle East	
HIST 357	Middle Eastern History, 1453 to the Present - WR (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	
HIST 362	The United States and the Middle East	
HIST 367	British Imperialism	
HIST 376	War in the Modern Middle East - WR (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	
HIST 377	The Ottoman Empire to 1800	
HIST 378	The Ottoman Empire and Modern Turkey from 1800 - WR (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	
HIST 393	African History Before 1800 - D2 (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), SBH (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	
HIST 394	African History Since 1800 - D2 (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), SBH (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	
HIST 395	Contemporary Africa	
HIST 396	History of India	
HIST 397	Traditional China	
HIST 398	Modern China	
HIST 399	Modern Japan: Imperialism and Democracy	
Free elective		3

Minimum Total Hours 39

Code	Title	Hours
Law School Courses		
LAW 802	Torts I	3
LAW 803	Torts II	3
LAW 804	Contracts I	3
LAW 805	Contracts II	3
LAW 806	Property I	3
LAW 807	Property II	3
LAW 808	Civil Procedure I	3
LAW 810	Criminal Law	3

LAW 811	Lawyering Skills I	3
LAW 812	Lawyering Skills II	3

Minimum Total Hours 30

Six hours of required 500-level history courses must be completed with a grade of C or better.

Code	Title	Hours
Culminating Undergraduate Experience (Graduation requirement)		
Requirement fulfilled by completing one of the following:		
HIST 504	Research Seminar in the Americas - CUE (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), WR (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	
HIST 505	Research Seminar in World History - CUE (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), WR (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	

- Completion of the intermediate level of a single foreign language
- In addition to courses counted toward General Education; 6 hours must be at 300 level or above.
- May be incorporated into other degree requirements
- Once a student has declared a History major, the student must enroll in HIST 304 as 3 of the next 12 History credit hours. A grade of C or better must be earned in HIST 304.
- Courses numbered HIST 310, HIST 498, HIST 499, HIST 501, HIST 502, HIST 503 and HIST 540 may at times also fulfill area requirements; consult History Department.
- Includes courses on the Middle East.

Flight Plan

Year 1		
Fall		Hours
GEN 100 or GEN 101	Student Success Center First Year Experience or Arts & Sciences First Year Experience	1
ENGL 101	Introduction to College Writing - WC (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	3
HIST 101 or HIST 102 or HIST 103	History of Civilizations I - D2 (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), SBH (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/) or History of Civilizations II - D2 (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), SBH (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/) or The World Since 1900 - D2 (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), SBH (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	3
General Education: Cardinal Core Quantitative Reasoning - QR		3
General Education: Cardinal Core Social/Behavioral - SB		3
Foreign Language 1		4
Hours		17
Spring		
ENGL 102	Intermediate College Writing - WC (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	3

General Education: Cardinal Core Natural Sciences with Lab - B	4	
General Education: Cardinal Core Arts and Humanities-AH	3	
General Education: Cardinal Core Oral Communication - OC	3	
Foreign Language 2	4	
Hours	17	
Year 2		
Fall		
General Education: Cardinal Core Arts and Humanities - AH	3	
General Education: Cardinal Core Natural Sciences - S	3	
Foreign Language 3	4	
HIST 104 or HIST 105	American History I - D1 (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), SBH (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/) or American History II - D1 (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), SBH (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	3
HIST 304	Historical Methods - WR (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	3
Hours	16	
Spring		
General Education: Cardinal Core Arts and Humanities - AH	3	
History The Americas Area Course (300 level or above)	3	
History Pre-Modern World Area Course (300 level or above)	3	
History The World Area Course (300 level or above)	3	
History The Americas or The World Area Elective (300 level or above)	3	
Hours	15	
Year 3		
Fall		
Humanities or Natural Science Elective (300 level or above)	3	
History The World Area Course (300 level or above)	3	
History The Americas Area Course (300 level or above)	3	
HIST 504 or HIST 505	Research Seminar in the Americas - CUE (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), WR (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/) or Research Seminar in World History - CUE (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), WR (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	3
Free elective	3	
Hours	15	
Spring		
HIST 505 or HIST 504	Research Seminar in World History - CUE (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), WR (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/) or Research Seminar in the Americas - CUE (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), WR (https://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	3
History The Americas or The World Area Elective (300 level or above)	3	
Humanities or Natural Science Elective (300 level or above)	3	
Humanities or Natural Science Elective (300 level or above)	3	
Hours	12	
Year 4		
Fall		
LAW 802	Torts I	3
LAW 804	Contracts I	3
LAW 806	Property I	3
LAW 810	Criminal Law	3

LAW 811	Lawyering Skills I	3
Hours		15
Spring		
LAW 803	Torts II	3
LAW 805	Contracts II	3
LAW 807	Property II	3
LAW 808	Civil Procedure I	3
LAW 812	Lawyering Skills II	3
Hours		15
Minimum Total Hours		122

The Flight Plan outlined above is intended to demonstrate one possible path to completing the degree within four years. Course selection and placement within the program may vary depending on course offerings and schedule, elective preferences, and other factors (study abroad, internship availability, etc.). Please consult your advisor for additional information about building a flight plan that works for you.

Degree Audit Report

Degree Audit reports illustrate how your completed courses fulfill the requirements of your academic plan, and which requirements are still outstanding. Degree audits also take transfer credits and test credits into account. "What-if" reports allow you to compare the courses you have completed in your current academic plan to the courses required in another academic plan. Should you have questions about either report, please consult with your academic advisor.

Flight Planner

The Flight Planner tool is available for you to create a personalized Flight Plan to graduation. Advisors have access to review your Flight Planner and can help you adjust it to ensure you remain on track to graduate in a timely manner.

To create these reports:

1. Log into your ULink account.
2. Click on the Academic Progress tile.
3. Select the appropriate report.
 - a. To run a Degree Audit report, click on "View my Degree Audit."
 - b. To create a What-if report, click on "What-if Advisement Report."
 - c. To run a Flight Planner report, click on "Use My Flight Planner."

Click here to run a Degree Audit report, create a What-if report, or run a Flight Planner report. (<https://ulink.louisville.edu>)