

HIST COURSES OFFERED IN SEMESTER 1, 2026-2027

HIST1205

World History: Civilizations in Contact (E)
Prof. Peter Sorensen

HIST1405

History, Heritage and Human Communities (E)
Prof. Patricia Sauthoff
Dr. Fan Wing Chung

(2 Sessions)

HIST2105

Introduction to Modern Chinese History (E)
Dr. Law Yuen Han

HIST2107

Introduction to Spatial History (E)
Prof. Kwong Chi Man

HIST2405

Historiographical Traditions: East and West (E)
Prof. Chung Po Yin

HIST3105

Contemporary China (E)
Prof. Chu Yik Yi

HIST3127

Historical Interactions of China and the World (E)
Prof. Ha Yiming

HIST3147

Classical South Asia: The World of the Buddha and Early Buddhism (E)
Prof. Patricia Sauthoff

HIST3205

Themes in Modern European History (E)
Prof. Nikolaos Mavropoulos

HIST3207

History of the United States since 1877 (E)
Prof. Liu Zifeng

HIST3215

History of the United States to 1877 (E)
Prof. Peter Sorensen

HIST3226

History of Korea (E)
Dr. Fan Wing Chung

HIST3316

Colonialism and Modern Asia (E)
Prof. Catherine Ladds

HIST4105

History of Chinese Women since 1912 (E)
Dr. Ding Jie

HIST4106/7540

Contemporary Chinese Political Thought (E)
Prof. Chu Yik Yi

HIST4146

Chinese Painting and Calligraphy: The Arts of the Brush (E)
Prof. Chen Fong Fong

HIST4207

Topic Studies in Asian History: Introduction to AI-Powered Digital Historical Data Processing (E)
Prof. Kwong Chi Man

HIST4215

Topic Studies in Western History:
Modern British History (E)
Prof. Catherine Ladds

HIST4315

Introduction to Museum
Studies (E)
Prof. Elvan Cobb

HIST4327

Topic Studies in Comparative History:
History of Cities in the Modern Era (E)
Prof. Elvan Cobb

HIST4335

Topic Studies in Global History:
The Mongol Empire (E)
Prof. Ha Yiming

HIST7520

Chinese Culture in Transformation (E)
Dr. Liu Yan

SOSC1006

Invitation to SOSC (E)
Prof. Liu Zifeng
Prof. Nikolaos Mavropoulos

GE COURSES OFFERED IN SEMESTER 1, 2026-2027

Level 1:

GFCC/GFHC1037

The Individual and Society (E)
Prof. Orazio Coco
(2 Sessions)

GFCC/GFHC1045

Hong Kong between Past and
Present (E)
Dr. Alfred Lam
(2 Sessions)

GFCC/GFHC1046

An Introduction to Gender,
Class, and Race (E)
Dr. Ding Jie
(2 Sessions)

GFCC/GFHC1055

Global China in the Modern Age (E)
Dr. Liu Yan
Dr. Li Jie
Dr. Alfred Lam
(5 Sessions)

Level 2:

GTCU2027

Inter-Asian Contacts and the
Invention of Everyday Cultures (E)
Dr. Alfred Lam

GTCU2056

Adventures, Treasures, and
Archaeology in China (E)
Dr. Li Jie

GTCU2057

Rejected "Knowledge" and
Ancient Systems of Thought (E)
Dr. Adam Craig Schwartz (JAS)

GTSC2015

Disease and Public Health
in China since 1800 (E)
Dr. Law Yuen Han
(2 Sessions)

Level 3:

GCAP3006

Implementation of Service-learning Engagement through Chinese Story Telling and Writing (C)

Dr. Yiu Wing Ka

Dr. Cai Jiayin (LC)

(2 Sessions)

GCAP3007

A Tale of Two Cities (E)

Dr. Law Yuen Han

GCAP3015

Ecotourism in GBA (Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area): Planning and Design (E)

Dr. Ding Jie

GCAP3016

Historic Landmarks, Heritage and Community (E)

Dr. Fan Wing Chung

(2 Sessions)

GCAP3155

Hong Kong Vision: Learning in the Village Community (E)

Dr. Yiu Wing Ka

COURSES IN TOPIC STUDIES OFFERED IN SEMESTER 1, 2026-2027

HIST4207

Topic Studies in Asian History: Introduction to AI-Powered Digital Historical Data Processing (E)

This innovative course teaches students to use Artificial Intelligence and related tools to process historical documents about Hong Kong and South China from the 19th and 20th centuries, with a focus on multilingual materials (Chinese, English, and Japanese). Students will learn OCR through prompt engineering, name entity recognition, Python programming, and database design. The course includes hands-on workshops, archive visits, and collaborative research projects using authentic historical materials. Students work in groups to develop digital history projects that demonstrate both technical skills and historical understanding.

Prof. Kwong Chi Man

HIST4215

Topic Studies in Western History: Modern British History (E)

This course examines key events and themes in British history from the early nineteenth century until the post-Second World War era. Students will explore the broad political and economic shifts of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries, with an emphasis on the social and cultural transformations that resulted from or prompted these changes. Course topics will include: popular social and political movements, including abolitionism and the fight for women's suffrage; the rise of the British Empire and its effects in Britain; industrialisation and urbanization; the emergence of public health; gender, family, and religion; the First and Second World Wars; decolonisation and post-war migration; the welfare state; the 1960s and 'Swinging London.' Overall, the course will consider the role of imperialism, war, political change and social welfare legislation, and the growth of mass culture in shaping modern Britain.

Prof. Catherine Ladds

HIST4327

Topic Studies in Comparative History: History of Cities in the Modern Era (E)

The 19th-century reformulation of cities around the world serves as the foundation for many of our own contemporary urban experiences. In this course, we will explore the dynamics of urbanism in the modern era through a global, comparative perspective that approaches cities as increasingly connected and networked places. Our examination of the large-scale physical transformations will cover topics such as the shifting discourses on urban design, infrastructure, food provisioning, urban health, and nightlife. From the context of colonial ambitions, we will investigate the political development of urban institutions like museums, zoos, and botanical gardens. This course will also give us an opportunity to examine the roles of race, gender, and class in shaping the varied experiences of urban life. We will explore these emergent themes through case studies selected from around the world in places such as New York City, Paris, Vienna, Istanbul, St. Petersburg, Rio de Janeiro, Johannesburg, Dubai, and of course Hong Kong.



Prof. Elvan Cobb

HIST4335

Topic Studies in Global History: The Mongol Empire (E)

How did the Mongols conquer so much territory so quickly? Why is hot pot so popular, and what is its relationship with the Mongols? Is Mongolian barbecue actually Mongolian? And how did Marco Polo's journey inspire Christopher Columbus and the exploration of the Americas? In this class, we will examine the rise, conquest, and rule of the Mongols. We will explore how Chinggis [Genghis] Khan led the Mongol tribe from obscurity into a powerful political entity, how his successors created the largest contiguous land empire in history, how the Mongols ruled their vast territories and reshaped Eurasian politics and culture, and how—even after their empires collapsed—the Mongols continue to shape our world today.

Prof. Ha Yiming