The interactions between and among different cultural, social, economic, political, and scientific forces around the globe have profoundly shaped the world we live in today. At Loyno, you will study the past and present interactions of these forces and engage with diversity both intellectually and empathetically, developing a true appreciation for many cultures. Here, you can learn about modern Iran, spirituality and healing in Africa, and the caste system in India. You can examine the influence of saints and demons in medieval Europe or explore the meaning of money across cultures. We’ll give you the skills and knowledge you need for careers in international development, aid, diplomacy, politics, journalism, business, and academia.

This is the place.
The international influence on New Orleans’ unique history and culture sometimes makes it seem like its own country. To say we embrace our multicultural heritage is an understatement—from jazz funerals and wedding second lines to heritage parades at Mardi Gras and cultural food festivals nearly every weekend, culture is a way of life in New Orleans. That heritage, combined with our rich history including music, politics, business, art, science, and more, will supplement your study with global perspective.

At Loyno, we offer plenty of opportunities for our students to get involved. Network with peers in our history Honor Society (Phi Alpha Theta). Submit research papers for publication in our Student Historical Journal. Study abroad in Belgium, China, Brazil, Ireland, or India, just to name a few. Participate in national and international internship opportunities; present papers at academic conferences; get involved with our Documentary and Oral History Studio.

Courses
In addition to core courses exploring global history, U.S. history, and historical research methods, you’ll select international history electives that tailor the program to your interests. Here is a sample of some courses:

Law and Power in South Asia
This course studies the legal systems of South Asia; in particular, it evaluates the role of the British legal codifications in the development of a distinctly South Asian legal system by investigating citizenship, environmental, gender, and property laws.

Women, Gender, and Sexuality in African History
This course examines women, gender, and sexuality in African history, focusing on religious practices, colonialism, health, and social class. Students examine the construction of gender, social systems, reproduction, women’s exercise of power, and the attempt to control female bodies.

Palestinians & Israelis
This course addresses the ongoing conflict between Palestinians and Israelis by exploring its origins in the history of Zionism and the formation of Palestinian national identity since the nineteenth century.

Games, Fictions, and Power in China
Using a role-playing game, we explore the workings of Confucian power in imperial China and then study the ways the people thought about power through games, fiction, and philosophy.