



COLLEGE OF ARTS + SCIENCES

History

with Teacher's Certification



Ghandi—a great teacher himself—once said, “A small body of determined spirits fired by an unquenchable faith in their mission can alter the course of history.” This program guides our students toward the pursuit of justice through an exploration of the past and all of its intricacies and nuances, and it teaches you to inspire others in the same way. At Loyno, you’ll learn to investigate and analyze the historical movements that have shaped contemporary society, and you’ll prepare yourself to educate one of the most diverse groups of students the country has to offer. We’ll give you the tools you’ll need to follow—and to teach others to follow—St. Ignatius’ charge to “go forth and set the world on fire.”

This is the place.

Shaped by three centuries of history and imbued with a culture recognized around the world, few places in America offer greater inspiration to those who study the past than New Orleans. Whether it’s the city’s nineteenth-century charm or its modern National World War II Museum, here you’ll find something interesting around every corner. Immerse yourself in the city’s thriving arts and cultural scene, and you will discover that New Orleans is like nowhere else.

At Loyno, our “small body of determined spirits” is our exceptional, diverse faculty. Their work spans the entire range of historical fields from Asia to Africa, the Atlantic World to Europe, as well as the fields of political, economic, social, intellectual, cultural, and religious history. Our amazing professors have won numerous research, literary, teaching, and service awards, and they’ll challenge you to “alter the course of history.”

Courses

In addition to core courses exploring global history, U.S. history, and historical research methods, you’ll select electives to tailor the program to your interests. And the teacher’s certification included in the program will prepare you to teach grades 6-12.

U.S.: World War II to Present

This course is a study of America from 1941 to the present, including WWII, the Cold War, the hot wars of Korea, Vietnam, and Iraq, and the increasingly active foreign policy of the period. At home, it includes the problems of adjustment to the postwar world and to unprecedented affluence—in general to the vast changes of the past six decades.

Modern China

This course examines how the Chinese view themselves in relation to their earlier history and how the coming of the West influenced the Ching Dynasty (1644-1911) and the subsequent experience of the Chinese in the 20th century.

Saints & Demons in Medieval Europe

The medieval church played a central role influencing the lives of Western Christians. This course examines the depth of that influence, emphasizing forms of religious expression, the church’s role in everyday life, canon law, and lay involvement in the church.

Women in African History

This course examines women in African history from ancient times to present, focusing on religious practices, colonialism, and social class. Students examine the construction of gender, social systems, reproduction, women’s exercise of power, and the attempt to control female bodies.