

Spring 2018

HIST 584-1: Research Workshop in History

Instructor	Day(s)	Time(s)	Maximum Enrollment
Yannakakis	M	9:00 am – 12:00 pm	*

Semester Description:

**Note: Enrollment is restricted to first-year graduate students in History.*

This course focuses on research methods in history and approaches to writing historical research papers based on primary sources. Run in tandem with individual research projects (“P” papers), the course is required of all first-year graduate students enrolled in the History Ph.D. program. The workshop format is intended to give students the opportunity to share their work and receive comments on it from peers who are investigating a range of topics and using different approaches and historiographies. The course thus provides a formal venue that encourages and sustains student engagement with their research and that of their peers. By the end of the semester, students are expected to have completed their research papers.

Primary responsibility for directing the student’s research paper lies with the project adviser, with whom the student will meet on an individual basis as needed. The grade for the course is determined by the project adviser. The workshop director introduces students to best practices and research ethics, provides the necessary scaffolding for advancing a substantial research project, and helps with problem solving. Short, periodic assignments are designed to move the project forward in timely fashion.

Required Textbooks, Articles, and Resources:

TBA

Grading:

TBA