

# 2023W History Graduate Course Schedule

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## Graduate Course Schedule (2023-2024)

### Graduate Courses Term 1 (Sep.1.2023 to Dec.31.2023)

2023W Term 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Morning	<b>HIST 525, Section 101 Professional Development For Historians</b> Bonnie Effros 9:30AM-12:00PM Buchanan Tower 1112	<b>HIST 561, Section 101 Readings in Chinese History (post-1911)</b> Timothy Cheek 10:00AM-12:30PM Buchanan Tower 1112		
Afternoon			<b>HIST 548D, Section 101 Historiography</b> Shoufu Yin 2:00PM-4:30PM Buchanan Tower 1112	

### Graduate Courses Term 2 (Jan.1.2024 to Apr.30.2024)

2023W Term 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Morning	<b>HIST 575, Section 201 Readings in International &amp; Global History (Colonialism &amp; Its Archives)</b> Laura Ishiguro 9:30AM-12:00PM Buchanan Tower 1112			
Afternoon		<b>HIST 547B, Section 201 Readings: Special Topics in History (Age &amp; Generation)</b> Leslie Paris 1:00PM-3:30PM Buchanan Tower 1112	<b>HIST 599, Section 201 MA Research Seminar</b> Robert Brain 1:00PM-3:30PM Buchanan Tower 1112  <b>HIST 699 PhD Research Seminar</b> Robert Brain 1:00PM-3:30PM Buchanan Tower 1112	<b>HIST 595A, Section 201 Public History</b> Richard Menkis 2:00PM-4:30PM Buchanan Tower 1112

## Term 1 Graduate Course Descriptions:

### 2023 Winter Term 1 Courses (September to December)

Course	Description
<b>HIST 525, Section 101</b> Dr. Bonnie Effros <a href="mailto:bonnie.effros@ubc.ca">bonnie.effros@ubc.ca</a>  Monday 9:30AM-12:00PM Buchanan Tower 1112	<b>Professional Development For Historians</b> This seminar will give you a better understanding of the current landscape of historical profession and prepare you to put your history postgraduate education to work. In particular, the course will help you recognize the kinds of skills that you already possess and what additional ones you can further develop or acquire during graduate school. These are tools that will be of use to you in any kind of career that you embark upon after earning your advanced degree in History. The course is thus designed to familiarize you with the different professions in which historians are engaged, whether academic or in government, businesses, international organizations, galleries, libraries, archives, and museums. During the term, we will have at least five guest speakers who are alumni active in those areas.  <b>Note:</b> PhD Students:     Mandatory course in Year 1 of PhD program. MA Students:     Optional course for MA students
<b>HIST 548D, Section 101</b> Dr. Shoufu Yin <a href="mailto:shoufu.yin@ubc.ca">shoufu.yin@ubc.ca</a>  Wednesday 2:00PM-4:30PM Buchanan Tower 1112	<b>Historiography</b> The Historiography seminar involves an intense introduction to varieties of historical writing and the philosophic assumptions behind historical thinking.  <b>Note:</b> PhD Students:     Students who have not previously taken a graduate-level historiography course must choose Historiography (HIST 548) as one of their three courses. MA Students:     Mandatory course in Year 1 of the MA program.
<b>HIST 561, Section 101</b> Dr. Tim Cheek <a href="mailto:t.cheek@ubc.ca">t.cheek@ubc.ca</a>  Tuesday 10:00AM-12:30PM Buchanan Tower 1112	<b>Readings in Chinese History (Post-1911)</b> The aim of this course is to provide students with a broad based understanding of the major debates and issues that have animated English-language scholarship on China over the course of the previous two decades. Chronologically, the course will cover China's long Twentieth Century (1890s-present). Thematically, we will consider how historians, political scientists, anthropologists, economists and others have understood and interpreted the momentous social, cultural and political transformations that have taken place within China as well as China's changing place in the world. Open to graduate students in all departments and any area focus. Precise emphases and variation in topics to be covered will be determined on the bases of students' interests.
<b>HIST 547D, Term 1</b> See Description	<b>History Directed Readings Course</b> HIST 547D courses represent one-on-one directed reading courses with a professor. In general, these courses are done with a supervisor and their student if there are no suitable graduate courses available for the student. When a professor (usually the supervisor) agrees to do a directed readings course with their student, <b>the professor notifies the graduate program assistant to set up student registration for the course.</b>

## Term 2 Graduate Course Descriptions:

### 2023 Winter Term 2 Courses (January to April)

Course	Description
<b>HIST 547B, Section 201</b> Dr. Leslie Paris <a href="mailto:leslie.paris@ubc.ca">leslie.paris@ubc.ca</a>  Tuesday 1:00PM-3:30PM Buchanan Tower 1112	<b>Readings: Special Topics in History (Age and Generation)</b> Topic: Age and Generation. This course considers historical approaches to the study of age, life stages, and generations. How might we think about historical subjects whose age-bound identities are always in transition? How have age and generation taken their meaning in specific political, temporal, and community contexts? Examining case studies from around the world and across historical periods (with attention to other intersecting categories of difference), we will explore the creation and social significance of age cohorts, age-specific cultural and political phenomena, and shifts in chronological consciousness. Themes may include reproduction and child-rearing; rituals of various life stages and the end of life; generational politics; age and power; and the place of ghosts and ancestors in the lives of the living. Open to graduate students in all departments and any area focus.
<b>HIST 575, Section 201</b> Dr. Laura Ishiguro <a href="mailto:laura.ishiguro@ubc.ca">laura.ishiguro@ubc.ca</a>  Monday 9:30AM-12:00PM Buchanan Tower 1112	<b>Readings in International &amp; Global History (Colonialism &amp; Its Archives)</b> Topic: Colonialism & its archives. This course is an introduction to the large and diverse body of scholarship on histories of colonialism, with an emphasis on recent and innovative approaches to the colonial archive. How have historians problematized and interrogated the colonial archive, traced its logics and limits, and pushed its bounds? What research methods, analytical approaches, conceptual lenses, historical questions, and innovations in genre have they developed and employed in order to do so? How has this work challenged and changed understandings of colonial pasts? What are the stakes and implications for our own work in the field and, indeed, for historical practice more broadly?  We will take up these questions with a focus on scholarship that examines and exceeds archival silence, works from fragmented or trace evidence, and centres people about whom colonial records say little. Assigned readings will have some emphasis on the British imperial world from the eighteenth century to the present, but the course is intended as an introduction to key theoretical, historiographical, and methodological issues in the study of colonial pasts more broadly. By the end of the course, you should be familiar with some recent work and fundamental questions in the field, and equipped to think critically about future directions and the possibilities of your own practice, whatever your particular geographic, temporal, and thematic focus.
<b>HIST 595A, 201</b> Dr. Richard Menkis <a href="mailto:richard.menkis@ubc.ca">richard.menkis@ubc.ca</a>  Thursday 2:00PM-4:30PM Buchanan Tower 1112	<b>Public History</b> This course examines the creation and presentation of historical narratives for non-academic publics; that is, outside of the usual intra-academic communication of scholarly articles, monographs and conference papers We will explore the theory and practice of public history by the discussion of readings, by visiting and critiquing several museums, by listening to podcasts and critiquing them, and by the creation of a public-facing project.  Among the topics we will explore are: deciding on what should be collected and preserved, and what should be presented; presenting “difficult knowledge”; evaluating how material considerations (size of museum and its budget, budget allocations for a podcast) and the mediation of professionals affect public history; “shared authority” in theory and practice; the challenges and rewards for university-based historians who wish to engage in public history projects.
<b>HIST 599, Section 201</b> Dr. Robert Brain <a href="mailto:robert.brain@ubc.ca">robert.brain@ubc.ca</a>  Wednesday 1:00PM-3:30PM Buchanan Tower 1112	<b>MA Research Seminar</b> The MA Research seminar serves as a writing that provides a measure of structure and support for the work of the MA thesis. Students will develop and complete a scholarly article as a template for the longer project. The assignments suitable and useful for any stage of the research/writing process. The seminar also aims to build skills of support and collegiality in the MA cohort.  <b>Note:</b> MA Students: Mandatory course taken in Year 2 of MA program. Course restricted to MA, HIST students.
<b>HIST 699, Section 201</b> Dr. Robert Brain <a href="mailto:robert.brain@ubc.ca">robert.brain@ubc.ca</a>  Wednesday 1:00PM-3:30PM Buchanan Tower 1112	<b>PhD Research Seminar</b> The course guides students through the process of doing research for and drafting their dissertation prospectus.  <b>Note:</b> PhD Students: Mandatory course taken in Year 1 of PhD program. Course restricted to PhD, HIST students.
<b>HIST 547D, Term 2</b> See Description	<b>History Directed Readings Course</b> HIST 547D courses represent one-on-one directed reading courses with a professor. In general, these courses are done with a supervisor and their student if there are no suitable graduate courses available for the student. When a professor (usually the supervisor) agrees to do a directed readings course with their student, <b>the professor notifies the graduate program assistant to set up student registration for the course.</b>

## Important Notes about Registration for History Graduate Students

**1. Link to official UBC Course Schedule for History Graduate Courses can be found here:**

<https://courses.students.ubc.ca/cs/courseschedule?tname=subj-department&sessyr=2023&sesscd=W&dept=HIST&pname=subjarea>

**2. Key Registration Date:**

Graduate students will be eligible to register for courses on the Student Service Centre (SSC) on June 6.

<https://students.ubc.ca/enrolment/registration/registration-dates>

**3. MA Notes on Mandatory Courses:**

- HIST 548D is a mandatory course for first year MA students
- HIST 599 is a mandatory course for second year MA students.

**4. PhD Notes on Mandatory Courses:**

- HIST 525 (PhD Professional Development Seminar) is a mandatory course for first year PhD students.
- HIST 699 (PhD Research Seminar) is a mandatory course for first year PhD students.

**5. Maintaining continuous registration:**

Graduate students at UBC **must** maintain continuous registration throughout their program to be eligible to receive their funding. When there are no more seminars to take, graduate students maintain continuous registration by registering in the appropriate thesis course section each term until the thesis/dissertation is completed:

- MA students need to register in the HIST 549 (Term 1-2) Thesis Course Section.
- PhD students need to register in the HIST 649 (Term 1-2) Dissertation Course Section.