

19th Century Studies (NCS)

The Nineteenth Century Studies program crosses traditional disciplinary boundaries and considers the trends and events of the 19th century from a variety of cultural and historical perspectives. For the purpose of this program, the period of study dates from 1785 to 1918. The program culminates in a semester-long independent capstone project.

The Nineteenth Century Studies program is not a major; it is an interdisciplinary program available to students majoring in English or History. With the exception of the capstone project, courses applied toward requirements for the Nineteenth Century Studies Program may also be counted toward the major or minor in English, history, or toward the general education requirements.

Coordinators

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Program Requirements

Course	Title	Hours
History		3
Select one course from the following:		
HIST 370	Europe in the Age of Revolutions, 1789-1850	
HIST 371	Europe in the Age of Anxieties, 1850-1914	
HIST 384	Modern Britain	
Literature		3
Select one course from the following:		
ENGL 311	The English Romantic Period	
ENGL 312	The Victorian Period	
ENGL 337	Later European Masterpieces	
ENGL 413	The Early English Novel	
ENGL 414	The Later English Novel	
Art & Culture ¹		9
Select three courses from the following:		
ARTH 305	19th-Century Art	
ENGL 421	Early American Popular Novels	
ENGL 426	19th Century American Poetry	
HIST 307	History of the American South to the Civil War	
HIST 308	History of the American South since the Civil War	
HIST 311	Topics in American Social History	
REL 333	Gender, Religion, George Eliot	
Capstone ²		3
ENGL 470	Independent Study	
or HIST 475	Independent Study in European or Non-Western History	
Total Hours		18

¹ Or other courses as approved by the Coordinator.

² Students should plan to complete the capstone course during their senior year. The focus is an interdisciplinary topic chosen by the student and approved by the Program Coordinator.