Designed for working and aspiring secondary school social studies instructors, this 15-unit program allows teachers to deepen their historical knowledge and skills through graduate-level seminars. The certificate culminates in an individualized curriculum project that is directly applicable to the classroom. In many districts, additional units will also increase current and future earnings. Most courses are offered after 4 PM, and the certificate can be completed at one’s own pace in one to two years. Coursework in the certificate program is transferrable to the MA program.

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» Interesting and relevant graduate-level courses

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» One- or two-year completion schedules

» 15-units of coursework to apply to salary steps

» Path to the MA program

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Faculty

History department faculty are active scholars with expertise in the history of the United States, Latin America, Africa, Asia, and Europe and thematic specialties in social justice movements, slavery and emancipation, gender and sexuality, constitution and law, imperialism, and religion. See individual faculty profiles at: history.sfsu.edu/content/graduate-faculty.

Program Curriculum

Certificate students take four history seminars and complete a capstone curriculum project at the end of their coursework:

HIST 700, History as a Field of Knowledge ................................................................. 3 units
HIST 696, Proseminar (variable topics) ........................................................................... 3 units
HIST 705-850, Graduate seminars (variable topics) .......................................................... 6 units
HIST 870, Curriculum Project ......................................................................................... 3 units
Minimum total .................................................................................................................... 15 units

Admissions Requirements

One or more of the following:

» BA in History
» BA + four upper-division courses in history, including one course in historical methods
» Current or former California social studies teacher at the secondary level

AND

» GPA of 3.35 in last 60 semester units*
» Official transcripts
» One letter of recommendation

* Conditional acceptance may be offered to applicants who fall below the GPA requirement if they show exceptional promise.

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