## AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY - GRADUATE CERTIFICATE

(Code 380-614)

## Graduate Certificates Program in History

The Graduate Certificates Program in History is for individuals who would like to expand their competence and knowledge in a particular area of history. The program is designed to offer flexibility based upon the specific needs or interests of students. Graduate certificates emphasize specialization and depth of knowledge in a specific area of interest.

The program is available to those admitted as special students and graduate students admitted to the MA Program in History who may choose to pursue certificates within the MA program. Special students seeking admission to the MA Program should apply before nine credits have been completed in the Graduate Certificates Program.

## Requirements for Admission to the Graduate Certificates Program in History

- 1. A bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university, including a minimum of nine hours in history at the college level.
- 2. An overall GPA of 3.00, or 3.15 in the second half of all undergraduate work.
- 3. A letter of intent from the prospective student, in which the student explains his or her goals and expectations, as well as the area of history in which the student wishes to concentrate.

## **Requirements for Graduate Certificates**

To complete a graduate certificate, students must earn a minimum of 15 credits in an area of expertise including six credits in courses open only to graduate students (700-level courses). Students may include a total of three credits from HIST 797 and up to three transfer credits in a certificate program. Three graduate credits are permitted from disciplines outside the Department of History with the approval of the history graduate director. All students must maintain a GPA of 3.00 or higher in every course and have a minimum 3.00 GPA upon completion of the certificate.