MEDIEVAL AND RENAISSANCE STUDIES MINOR
Under the Department of English – Texas State University

This 24-hour minor provides a trans-historical, interdisciplinary, and multicultural perspective on European cultures from the fall of Rome to the late 17th century. Two core courses provide the foundation for further in-depth study of the Middle Ages and the Renaissance in specific fields such as literature, history, art, dance, mathematics, music, philosophy, political science, technology, and theatre arts.

Required Core Courses (6 hours)

ENG 2310 – British Literature before 1785
OR
ENG 2330 – World Literature before 1600
AND
HIST 2310 – Western Civilization to 1715
OR
HIST 2311 – World Civilization to the 17th Century

After choosing two of the required core courses, one in English and one in History, you will choose the remaining 18 hours (6 courses) from the following list. No more than three courses, including the core courses, from a single subject may count toward the minor.

Art History
ARTH 2301 – Ancient to Medieval Art
ARTH 2302 – Renaissance to Modern Art
ARTH 4306 – Renaissance Art
ARTH 4322 – Special Problems

Mathematics
MATH 4311 – Introduction to the History of Mathematics (Prerequisite: MATH 3315 and MATH 2331 OR 2472, all with C or higher)

Music
MU 3315 – History and Analysis of Music I (Prerequisite: MU 1213 with C or higher)

Philosophy
PHIL 2311 – History of Philosophy Before 1600

English
ENG 3319 – The Development of English
ENG 3350 – Medieval European Literature
ENG 3351 – Anglo-Saxon Literature
ENG 3352 – Medieval English Literature
ENG 3353 – British Poetry & Prose of the 16th Century
ENG 3354 – Shakespeare
ENG 3356 – British Poetry & Prose of the 17th Century
ENG 3392 – Women Writers of the Middle Ages
ENG 4351 – Chaucer and His Time
ENG 4355 – The Later Shakespeare
ENG 4358 – Milton

History
HIST 3312 – Renaissance and Reformation
HIST 3315 – History of England to 1603
HIST 4307 – Medieval European History, 300-1400
HIST 4317 – Tudor-Stuart England, 1485-1689
HIST 4320 – Origins of Christianity

Political Science
POSI 3332 – Ancient and Medieval Political Thought (Greeks to 1600)
POSI 3333 – Modern Political Theory (1600-1900)
POSI 4313 – Islamic Law and Politics

Spanish
SPAN 3301 – Literatures of Spain I (Prerequisite: SPAN 3309 with C or higher)

Technology
TECH 3322 – Development of Technology

Theatre
TH 3320 – History of the Theatre I
TH 3346 – Historical Costume Research

Relevant Honors courses and other courses that include Medieval and Renaissance-related content can be approved on a case-by-case basis with permission from the Director of Medieval and Renaissance Studies, Dr. Susan Morrison (morrison@txstate.edu)

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