



orientation

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History and Philosophy

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Agenda

- **Student Responsibilities**
- **Advisor Responsibilities**
- **Requirements of your Major**
- **Generic Fall Schedule**
- **Placement**
- **Available Classes**

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Student Responsibilities

What do you need to be aware of as the student?

Student Responsibilities

- DegreeWorks and MyInfo
 - Familiarize yourself with your DegreeWorks and MyInfo accounts to understand your progress toward graduation.
- Deadlines
 - Understand important deadlines for each semester – last day to drop/add classes, refund schedule, withdrawal schedule.
- Registration and Advising
 - To register for classes each semester, you'll need to meet with your assigned academic advisor to choose classes and receive your registration pin.
- Speak up
 - If anything is confusing or does not sound right, please make sure to ask. We are always here to help and answer questions.

Things to Consider

Scholarships

- If you have a scholarship, be sure to understand the requirements. Most scholarships require students to attempt 30 credits per year.

Timeline

- 15 credits per semester is ideal for students to graduate on a 4-year timeline.
- Do not exceed 5 classes this Fall. If you feel that 5 classes is too much, come speak with an advisor.



Advisor Responsibilities

What are my responsibilities as an academic advisor?



Advisor Responsibilities

"Academic advising at MSU is a collaborative process between students, faculty, and professional advisors designed to empower students to discover who they are as learners, where their academic interests lie, and how their University experience will shape their lives."

Engage in the advising process.

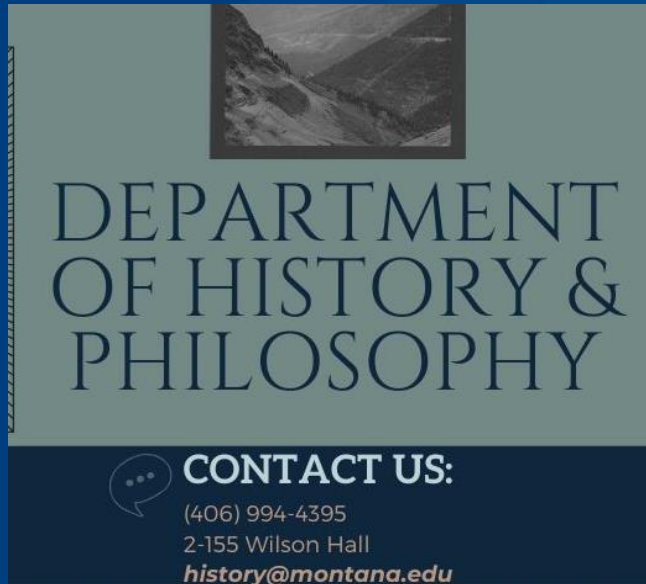
Be knowledgeable about academic policies, procedures, and deadlines.

Facilitate student understanding of policies and major requirements

Maintain student confidentiality.

Hold advising hours by drop-in or appointment, assist with registration, and follow up on appointments.

Meet your Advisors



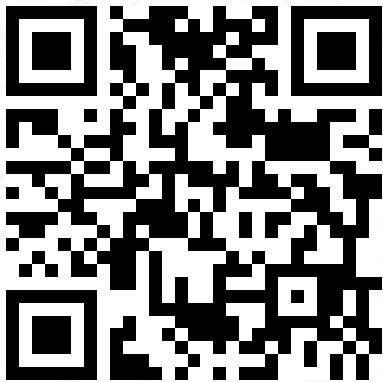
- Faculty Advising
- History@montana.edu
- 406-994-4395
- Wilson Hall 2-155

History/Philosophy Majors

- Three History Concentrations
 - History
 - History Teaching
 - SETS

Meet the Department

- Dr. Susan Cohen and Dr. Tim LeCain – Department Heads
- Anna Verhaeghe – Academic Service Coordinator (Wilson Hall 2-176, 406-994-3769)
- Faculty Advisors



CLS ADVISING



HISTORY & PHILOSOPHY
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History Concentrations

- History Option
 - Classes are split into categories – American History, European History, World History, and Upper Division (300/400) History Classes.
 - Students are required to take either two semesters of a modern language or 9 additional upper division history credits.
- History Teaching Option
 - Similar to the English Teaching slide from before, students take a mixture of education classes and history classes.
 - Students will be certified to teach History to grades 5-12.



History Concentrations

- SETS
 - Science, the Environment, Technology and Society
 - Multi-disciplinary course of study that analyzes the above in context of history
 - Work closely with a faculty advisor to choose a concentration and courses.

Philosophy

- One concentration
 - Serves as a basis for further study post graduation.
 - Students move on to study more philosophy (graduate level), law, religion, or other related fields.
 - One year of foreign language required





David Reese

Advisor

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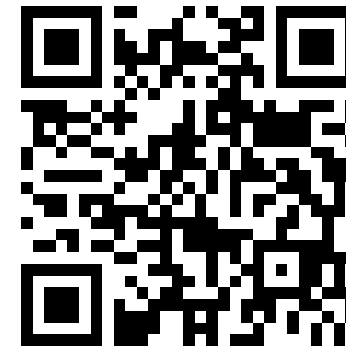
RC Townsend

Advisor

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TEACHING

- In this program, you have two advisors. Your assigned **CLS advisor** and for any education questions meet with an **education advisor**: RC Townsend or David Reese.
- For an example: student teaching, licenses, teaching education program requirements/application.



EDUCATION ADVISING



Fall Schedule

What should you schedule for Fall 2025 consist of?

Fall Schedule - History

Pick 5 classes

- WRIT 101W or University Seminar
- HSTA 101IH or AMST 101D
- HSTR 282CS
- Language Course/CORE
- CORE

- *Teaching – add HDFS 101IS



Fall Schedule - Philosophy

Pick 5 classes

- WRIT 101W or University Seminar
- PHL 101IH
- Language
- CORE
- CORE



Important Things to Know

- You will need 120 credits to graduate from MSU. 42 of these credits need to be 300/400 level classes.
- The History and Philosophy department assigns faculty advisors beginning first semester Freshman year. This is the person you will work with to plan for future semesters.
- History Teaching major classes must be passed with a "C" grade or better. CORE classes must be passed with a "C-" or better.



Important Things to Know

- AP or Dual Credit from high school may cover some of your major or CORE requirements. MSU will need the official transcript to accept these credits. Speak with an advisor if you are confused about AP/Dual Credit.
- If you earned 15+ AP or Dual Credits from high school, speak with an advisor to see if your graduation timeline can be moved up.



Math Placement

What does your math score mean?

Math Placement

Look at your RAWR sheet:

- Level 100 – M 105 with M 005
- Level 150 – M 105 with M 005
- Level 250 – M 105 with M 005
- Level 290 – M 105
- Level 300+ - STAT 216Q or M 105

Questions?

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