HISTORY, BACHELOR OF ARTS/MASTER OF ARTS FOUR-YEAR PROGRAM

History, BA-MA Program

The BA–MA Program is an accelerated program that allows an undergraduate to complete a BA and an MA in history in four years. It is designed for students who demonstrate exceptional scholarly ability and assumes that the student will complete most other requirements for graduation by the end of the junior year. Minimum prerequisites for admission include a GPA of 3.8 or higher, completion of language requirements through the intermediate level by the end of the junior year, and the securing of a faculty sponsor in the department of history in advance of application. Students seeking admission into the BA-MA program shall submit a formal application to the regular graduate program in history; the application deadline is December 15 of the junior year.

The program of study during the senior year includes 6-7 credits of graduate reading and research seminars or independent study each semester, mastery of the scholarship in the student’s area of research concentration as demonstrated by the successful completion of a graduate field examination in that area of concentration; and, in lieu of the senior thesis, the completion of a major scholarly research essay equivalent in quality to those completed by first year graduate students in the regular doctoral program.

For questions and further details about the program, contact Megan Zeller, mzeller4@jhu.edu, the Graduate Admissions Coordinator, in the Department of History, who can also provide details about application procedures.