

Guidelines for BA/MTeach Students Studying History in NSW: NESA Requirements

(Please note that these requirements do not apply to students in VIC or QLD unless you plan to register in NSW.)

If you want to qualify to teach history in NSW, you will need either a Major or a Minor in History as part of your Bachelor of Arts. In NSW, though, NESA requires that you specialise in Ancient or Modern History – in addition to completing one unit of the other speciality.

This makes your course map a little more complicated than students majoring in other subject areas, particularly if you want to qualify to teach both histories. Please follow the advice on the pages below and contact your course coordinator for assistance in mapping your course, by emailing fea.nsah.admin@acu.edu.au.

Ancient History

If completing a major, the compulsory unit HIST106 counts as your one unit of Modern History, so all of your other units are drawn from Ancient History only.

If completing a minor, you must study one unit of Modern or Medieval History (it's recommended that this is at 100 or 200-level) and three units of Ancient History.

Major (80CP)	Minor (40CP)
1. HIST106 – Australian Indigenous Peoples	1. 100-level Modern or Medieval History
2. 100-level Ancient History	2. 100-level Ancient History
3. 200-level Ancient History	3. 200-level Ancient History
4. 200-level Ancient History	4. 200/300-level Ancient History
5. 200-level Ancient History	
6. 200-level Ancient History	
7. HIST308 – Making History	
8. 300-level Ancient History	

Modern History

One unit in your sequence – for a major or a minor – must be in Ancient or Medieval History. It's recommended that you complete a unit at either 100 or 200-level. The rest should be Modern History units.

Major (80CP)	Minor (40CP)
1. HIST106 – Australian Indigenous Peoples	1. 100-level Ancient or Medieval History
2. 100-level Ancient or Medieval History	2. 100-level Modern History
3. 200-level Modern History	3. 200-level Modern History
4. 200-level Modern History	4. 200/300-level Modern History
5. 200-level Modern History	

6. 200-level Modern History	
7. HIST308 – Making History	
8. 300-level Modern History	

Qualifying to Teach both Ancient and Modern History

In order to teach both histories, you will need to take the 'One Major, One Minor and Electives' course map. You will use your Major and your Electives to complete the required History units. **You also need to complete another subject area as a minor (e.g. Geography, English, etc.) so your course would include:**

80 cp of History Major (see table below)

40cp of a different Minor

and

40cp of electives made up of Ancient History

It's recommended that you reach out to your course coordinator early in your degree, for assistance in developing this course map.

NB: It is not possible to qualify to teach both ancient and modern histories AND Religious Education in this degree.

Major: History (80CP)	A Minor (40CP) in another subject area. Please see the list of minors available at Strathfield in your course Handbook or the Course Enrolment Guide.
1. HIST106 – Australian Indigenous Peoples	
2. 100-level Modern History	
3. 200-level Modern History	
4. 200-level Modern History	
5. 200-level Modern History	
6. HIST308 – Making History	
7. 300-level Modern History	
8. 200-level Ancient History	
Electives (40CP)	
1. 100-level Ancient History	
2. 100-level Ancient History	
3. 200-level Ancient History	
4. 300-level Ancient History	