This seminar will examine the wars fought in and around Vietnam since the 1940s, with particular attention focused on the period of direct American involvement. These events will be considered in relation to Vietnam’s history, American politics and society and to the nature of war itself. Finally, we will consider the legacy of the war and its meaning in American and Vietnamese memory today.
HIST 583 | CHICANO/A HISTORY  
Units: 3  
This class explores the history of the Mexican and Mexican origin people in the United States. The class begins with the European settlement of the Americas and ends with the immigration of Mexicans to the United States in the 20th and 21st century.

HIST 589 | HISTORY OF CALIFORNIA  
Units: 3  
Covers California’s past from its earliest settlements to modern times. The course begins with California’s geographical setting, aboriginal culture and contact with the European world. A survey of Spanish backgrounds includes missions and missionaries, ranchos, pueblos and foreign visitors. Changes under the government of Mexico led to California’s conquest by the United States. During the second half, the class will address the Gold Rush; problems of statehood; constitutional developments; land, labor and Indian policies; transportation and immigration; agriculture and industry; California during wartime; water projects; political issues; cultural accomplishments; racial diversity; and recent trends. Meets the requirements of California history standards for various teaching credentials.

HIST 595 | THESIS  
Units: 0.5-6  Repeatability: Yes (Can be repeated for Credit)  
May be taken as a three-unit class. In other instances, History 595 may be repeated when student is writing and researching the thesis. When not taken as a seminar, History 595 will receive an incomplete. The grade for History 595 will not be recorded until the thesis is completed and submitted.

HIST 598 | INTERNSHIP  
Units: 3  
See Department Advisors responsible for assignments of internships.

HIST 599 | INDEPENDENT STUDY  
Units: 1-3  
Consult program director for guidelines.