

MEDIEVAL STUDIES, B.A.

Saint Louis University's Bachelor of Arts in Medieval Studies is an interdisciplinary major focusing on the medieval world. Students gain in-depth knowledge of the history, art, theology and philosophy of medieval Europe and often partner this major with other affiliate programs at SLU with medieval strengths.

Curriculum Overview

After completing an introductory course, students will take a broad selection of courses in affiliated departments. By their junior year, they will select major and minor fields, within which they will take seminar-level courses.

All students will achieve Latin competency at the 2010 level, and will also complete a capstone or internship at the completion of their program. Students are encouraged to study abroad during the course of their education.

Fieldwork and Research Opportunities

Medieval studies students at SLU can move on to advanced graduate studies in medieval fields and are admitted to competitive programs around the world. Other graduates choose to pursue further education in fields such as museum studies and archival studies.

Careers

Graduates who major in medieval studies at SLU are well prepared for a wide variety of jobs both inside and outside the academic realms.

Graduates move on to advanced graduate studies in medieval fields, gaining admission to competitive programs around the world. Students also are well trained to undertake further studies in diverse fields such as museum studies and archival studies, and they often use internships as stepping stones in those careers.

Admission Requirements

Freshman

All applications are thoroughly reviewed with the highest degree of individual care and consideration to all credentials that are submitted. Solid academic performance in college preparatory course work is a primary concern in reviewing a freshman applicant's file. College admission test scores (ACT or SAT) are used as an additional indicator of the student's ability to meet the academic rigors of Saint Louis University and are used as qualifiers for certain University scholarship programs. To be considered for admission to any Saint Louis University undergraduate program, the applicant must be graduating from an accredited high school or have an acceptable score on the General Education Development (GED) test.

Transfer

Applicants must be a graduate of an accredited high school or have an acceptable score on the GED. An official high school transcript and official test scores are required only of those students who have attempted fewer than 24 transferable semester credits (or 30 quarter credits) of college credit. Those having completed 24 or more of college credit need only submit a transcript from previously attended college(s). In reviewing a transfer applicant's file, the office of admission holistically examines the student's academic performance in college-level

coursework as an indicator of the student's ability to meet the academic rigors of Saint Louis University.

International Applicants

All admission policies and requirements for domestic students apply to international students along with the following:

- Demonstrate English Language Proficiency (<http://catalog.slu.edu/academic-policies/office-admission/undergraduate/english-language-proficiency>)
- Proof of financial support must include:
 - A letter of financial support from the person(s) or sponsoring agency funding the time at Saint Louis University
 - A letter from the sponsor's bank verifying that the funds are available and will be so for the duration of study at the University
- Academic records, in English translation, of students who have undertaken postsecondary studies outside the United States must include the courses taken and/or lectures attended, practical laboratory work, the maximum and minimum grades attainable, the grades earned or the results of all end-of-term examinations, and any honors or degrees received. WES and ECE transcripts are accepted.

Scholarships and Financial Aid

There are two principal ways to help finance a Saint Louis University education:

- Scholarships: awarded based on academic achievement, service, leadership and financial need.
- Financial Aid: provided in the form of grants and loans, some of which require repayment.

For priority consideration for merit-based scholarships, applicants should apply for admission by Dec. 1 and complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by March 1.

For information on other scholarships and financial aid, visit the student financial services office online at <http://finaid.slu.edu>.

Learning Outcomes

1. Graduates will be able to demonstrate a broad knowledge of the historical, cultural, intellectual, religious, literary, and artistic features of medieval Europe.
2. Graduates will be able to demonstrate an in-depth knowledge of a specific discipline, and potentially a particular area or period within that discipline.
3. Graduates will be able to analyze and critique primary sources in translation. These and other sources will be used to conduct research and produce papers investigating the medieval world.

Requirements

Students may apply SLU's College of Arts and Science core requirement courses to the Bachelor of Arts in Medieval Studies.

Code	Title	Credits
College core requirements (p. 2)		57-66
<i>For additional information about core courses</i> (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/arts-sciences/#coretext)		
Medieval Core		
MDVL 2100	The Medieval World	3

LATN 2010	Intermediate Latin: Language & Literature ¹	3
Medieval Foundational Courses		
Select five from the following:		15
ENGL 3250	British Literary Traditions to 1800	
HIST 3040	The Middle Ages to 1100	
HIST 3050	The Middle Ages 1100 to 1450	
PHIL 4500	Medieval Philosophy	
THEO 2320	Seeking God and Building Faith in the Middle Ages	
Primary Discipline		
Select three courses from a Medieval disciplines		9
Medieval Art History (p. 2)		
Medieval History (p. 2)		
Medieval Literature (p. 2)		
Medieval Philosophy (p. 2)		
Medieval Theology (p. 2)		
Secondary Discipline		
Select two courses from a Medieval disciplines		6
Medieval Art History (p. 2)		
Medieval History (p. 2)		
Medieval Literature (p. 2)		
Medieval Philosophy (p. 2)		
Medieval Theology (p. 2)		
Medieval Capstone		
MDVL 4910	Medieval Studies Internship	3
	or MDVL 4960 Medieval Synthesis	
General Electives		24-15
Total Credits		120

¹ Fulfilled by passing LATN 2010 Intermediate Latin: Language & Literature (3 cr) with a C+ or better, or testing out of LATN 2010 Intermediate Latin: Language & Literature (3 cr), or passing a Latin course above LATN 2010 Intermediate Latin: Language & Literature (3 cr)

Medieval Art History

Courses with a Medieval Art History Major attribute, such as:

Code	Title	Credits
ARTH 3410	Art of Cathedrals and Kings: Advanced	3
ARTH 3140	Islamic Art and Society: Advanced Studies	3
ARTH 3450	Advanced Art of Pilgrimage and Crusades	3

Medieval History

Courses with a Medieval History Major attribute, such as:

Code	Title	Credits
HIST 3030	The Byzantine Empire	3
HIST 3060	The Crusades	3
HIST 3350	Plagues and Peoples: Disease and Society in the Pre-modern World	3

Medieval Literature

Courses with a Medieval Literature Major attribute, such as:

Code	Title	Credits
ENGL 4240	Chaucer: The Canterbury Tales	3
FREN 4410	French Poetry: Origins to 18th Century	3
GR 4500	Courtly Love and Life Portrayed Through Medieval German Literature	3
ITAL 4200	Dante's Divine Comedy	3
LATN 4110	Medieval Latin Readings I	3
SPAN 4830	Spanish Medieval Masterpieces	3

Medieval Philosophy

Courses with a Medieval Philosophy Major attribute, such as:

Code	Title	Credits
PHIL 4120	Topics in Epistemology	3
PHIL 4210	Topics in Metaphysics	3

Medieval Theology

Courses with a Medieval Theology Major attribute, such as:

Code	Title	Credits
THEO 3345	The Life and Theology of Augustine of Hippo	3
THEO 3370	Teachers in Medieval Christianity	3
THEO 5270	Christian Tradition I	3

Continuation Standards

Students must have a GPA of 2.00 in Medieval Studies major/minor coursework to be retained in the major/minor.

Bachelor of Arts Core Curriculum Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
Core Components and Credits		
Foundations of Discourse (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/arts-sciences/ba-core/foundations-discourse)		3
Diversity in the U.S. (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/arts-sciences/ba-core/cultural-diversity)		3
Global Citizenship (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/arts-sciences/bs-core/global-citizenship)		3
Foreign Language (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/arts-sciences/ba-core/foreign-language)		0-9
Fine Arts (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/arts-sciences/ba-core/fine-arts)		3
Literature (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/arts-sciences/ba-core/literature)		6
Mathematics (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/arts-sciences/ba-core/mathematics)		3
Natural Science (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/arts-sciences/ba-core/sciences)		6
Philosophy (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/arts-sciences/ba-core/philosophy)		9
Social Science (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/arts-sciences/ba-core/social-science)		6
Theology (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/arts-sciences/ba-core/theology)		9

World History (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/arts-sciences/ba-core/world-history)	6
Total Credits	57-66

Graduation Requirements

- Complete a minimum of 120 credits (excluding pre-college level courses [numbered below 1000]).
- Complete either the College of Arts and Sciences Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science Core Curriculum Requirements
- Complete Major Requirements: minimum 30 credits required.
- Complete remaining credits with a second major, minor, certificate, and/or elective credits to reach the minimum of 120 credits required for graduation.
- Courses listed under the intensive English program do not count toward graduation requirements. EAP 1500 College Composition for International Students (3 cr), EAP 1900 Rhetoric & Research Strategies (3 cr) and EAP 2850 Introduction to Literature for International Students (3 cr) count toward graduation requirements as equivalents to Department of English courses. In addition to those courses, six credits from EAP/MLNG courses at the 1000 level or higher may count toward graduation requirements
- Achieve at least a 2.00 cumulative grade point average, a 2.00 grade point average in the major(s) and a 2.00 grade point average in the minor/certificate, or related elective credits.
- Complete Dept/Program specific academic and performance requirements.
- Complete at least 50% of the coursework for the major and 75% for the minor/certificate through Saint Louis University or an approved study abroad program.
- Complete 30 of the final 36 credits through Saint Louis University or an approved study abroad program.
- Complete an online degree application by the required University deadline.

Roadmap

Roadmaps are recommended semester-by-semester plans of study for programs and assume full-time enrollment unless otherwise noted.

Courses and milestones designated as critical (marked with !) must be completed in the semester listed to ensure a timely graduation. Transfer credit may change the roadmap.

This roadmap should not be used in the place of regular academic advising appointments. All students are encouraged to meet with their advisor/mentor each semester. Requirements, course availability and sequencing are subject to change.

Course	Title	Credits
Year One		
Fall		
MDVL 2100	The Medieval World	3
LATN 1010	Reading Latin I ²	3
A&S Core Course		3
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A&S Core Course		3
Credits		15
Spring		
LATN 1020	Reading Latin II ²	3

THEO 2320	Seeking God and Building Faith in the Middle Ages ³	3
A&S Core Course		3
A&S Core Course		3
A&S Core Course		3
Credits		15

Year Two

Fall

LATN 2010	Intermediate Latin: Language & Literature ⁴	3
HIST 3040	The Middle Ages to 1100 ³	3
A&S Core Course		3
A&S Core Course		3
A&S Core Course		3
Credits		15

Spring

HIST 3050	The Middle Ages 1100 to 1450 ³	3
ENGL 3250	British Literary Traditions to 1800 ³	3
PHIL 4500	Medieval Philosophy ³	3
A&S Core Course		3
A&S Core Course		3
Credits		15

Year Three

Fall

3000-level or higher course in primary concentration ⁵		3
3000-level or higher course in secondary concentration ⁵		3
A&S Core Course		3
A&S Core Course		3
A&S Core Course		3
Credits		15

Spring

3000-level or higher course in primary concentration ⁵		3
A&S Core Course		3
A&S Core Course		3
A&S Core Course		3
A&S Core Course		3
Credits		15

Year Four

Fall

3000-level or higher course in primary concentration ⁵		3
3000-level or higher course in secondary concentration ⁵		3
A&S Core Course		3
A&S Elective		3
A&S Elective		3
Credits		15

Spring

MDVL 4960	Medieval Synthesis	3
A&S Elective		3
A&S Elective		3
A&S Elective		3

A&S Elective	3
Credits	15
Total Credits	120

- ¹ Introductory course for the major
- ² If needed; not part of credit count for major
- ³ Five of these six foundational courses are required: HIST 3040 The Middle Ages to 1100 (3 cr), HIST 3050 The Middle Ages 1100 to 1450 (3 cr), THEO 2320 Seeking God and Building Faith in the Middle Ages (3 cr), ENGL 3250 British Literary Traditions to 1800 (3 cr), PHIL 4500 Medieval Philosophy (3 cr)
- ⁴ May be waived by testing out or by passing a higher Latin course
- ⁵ Students choose a primary/secondary concentration in one of the following medieval disciplines: History (including Archaeology), Art History, Theology, Philosophy (including Paleography), Literature (English, French, German, Italian, Latin, or Spanish)
- ⁶ Capstone course for the major

Program Notes

Total credits for the Medieval Studies major: 36-39 (depending on whether the student tests out of the Latin requirement).

A student may apply required A&S Core courses to the requirements of the Medieval Studies major.