

BA Honours in History

The School of Undergraduate Studies (SUS) aims to offer its students a unique liberal arts education that acquaints them with diverse approaches to knowledge. The undergraduate programmes at AUD encourage students to think critically and creatively, to analyse and reason, to communicate effectively, and to draw evidence-based conclusions. It aims to achieve a balance between the range and depth of the subjects studied.

The unique aspect of Undergraduate programmes at AUD is that there are common modules for foundational skills comprising language, writing skills, communication skills, analytical reasoning and a core module in social sciences. This is done through a blend of common foundational courses, languages, core discipline courses and a wide range of elective courses. Students experience the flexibility of choosing courses from more than one disciplinary area in order to develop a broader perspective on social sciences and humanities. They also have the opportunity to seek transfer from one programme to another, provided they meet certain criteria.

The teaching method in AUD is interactive and learner centric. The pedagogy comprises lectures, tutorials, lab classes, field work, workshops and seminars.

The School of Undergraduate Studies follows a mandatory attendance policy. Students are expected to attend all learning situations. The penalties for low attendance are applied in the form of 'grade cuts' based on a sliding scale of attendance shortfall.

Assessment is continuous, with regular feedback. The aim of continuous assessment is to ensure that the work done during the semester carries more weight than a single end-semester examination.

The medium of instruction at AUD is English. The university provides a range of support systems for English language education through its Centre for English Language Education. Mentoring is an important feature of all programmes in AUD.

The BA Honours programme in History is designed to stimulate students' interest in India's varied pasts in relation to wider global trends. The programme aims to introduce students to different ways of accessing the past that make the study of history exciting and rewarding. The programme focuses on five important areas that is Indian history, world history, Delhi as an area of study, history and its methodology, and a wide range of themes drawn from Indian and world history like race, caste, wars, revolutions, decolonisation, art, architecture etc. The History programme strives to inculcate in its students, the basic question of study of history that is, 'how do we know what we know'. Along with studying chronology, events and personalities, the programme lays an emphasis on the study of long term processes in history. Various courses taught in the BA History programme introduce students to sources like archaeological evidences,

inscriptions, coins, maps, historical biographies and autobiographies, paintings, historical monuments etc. and their role in history-writing.

The programme is delivered through a total number of 96 credits over six semesters. In order to receive a BA (Hons) degree in History, these credits must be earned in the following manner:

Courses	Minimum Credits
Compulsory Foundation Courses (Languages and Environmental Issues)	12
Foundation Optional Courses	04
Core Economics Courses	48
Others (Electives, Foundation, other discipline courses)	32

Core Courses in History:

- Ancient Societies
- Early India: Economy, Polity and Society
- Medieval India I: Polity and Administration
- Medieval India II: Economy and Society
- Medieval and Early Modern World
- India: c.1700-1857
- Modern India
- Modern and Post-Modern World
- Delhi in History

Electives in History

- Understanding the Past
- Introduction to Society and Culture in East Asia
- Wars and Revolutions in the Twentieth Century
- Contemporary India
- Decolonisation in History
- Caste and Indian Modernity
- History of the Indian Ocean World
- History of Art and Architecture in India

Total seats: 35 seats (offered at Kashmere Gate campus)

Medium of instruction: English

Eligibility: The candidate must have passed the class XII or an equivalent examination from a recognized Board and secured the minimum cut-off mark prescribed by the University.

Fees:

Tuition fee of Rs.1,28,640/- (@Rs. 1340/- per credit i.e. Rs. 21,440/- per semester) + Rs.5000/- (one-time, refundable caution deposit) + Rs.500/- per semester for student welfare fund.

If a student opts for extra credits, an additional fee of Rs.1340/- per credit will have to be paid.

Partial/Full fee waiver and scholarships are available. Full fee waiver of tuition fee will be extended to students belonging to SC/ST/PwD categories.

Selection procedure

The selection will be based on merit on the basis of the marks obtained in class XII, which will not include any vocational subject.

Reservations norms of Government of NCT of Delhi will apply.