Course Description

Studies the history of the local community and/or region. Lecture 3 hours per week.

General Course Purpose

Explores the historical transformation of Northern Virginia through an examination of local events, people and places. Places the region’s past within the context of larger historic events and influences.

Course Prerequisites/Corequisites

None

Course Objectives

Upon completion of the course, students will be able to:

- Describe how the geography of the region and its important natural features have impacted historical developments
- Identify the people, events and localities significant to the region’s history
- Explain how the region’s people, places, and events fit within the historical development of the United States
- Identify the social, economic and political forces at work in the evolution of Northern Virginia
- Explain how the region’s cultural and historical achievements have been preserved by local museums and historical organizations

Major Topics To Be Included

- Political, social, economic, and cultural changes in the Northern Virginia region
- Historical causation
- Larger historical trends impacting the local region
- Memory and historical remembrance
- Local historical preservation and public history efforts