For students entering fall 2014 or later:

Thesis option

Students who opt to write a thesis option must complete 33 semester hours of course work, of which at least 24 semester hours must be taken in history at Roosevelt. In addition to Hist 450 (The Seminar) and two graduate reading seminars, graduate students must take seven 400-level electives, of which at least two must be in 400-level only classes. The two 400-only electives may include additional sections of the readings class, the seminar, or 400-level courses designated only for graduate students. They may also include Hist 484, Internship in History or Hist 485, Internship in Teaching History. Students taking multiple sections of the readings courses or seminar may not repeat the same topic twice.

A seminar paper acceptable to the program is generally written in conjunction with Hist 450 to demonstrate command of historical method and interpretation. Students who have selected this option must write a thesis (HIST 490) that conforms to university regulations and is acceptable to the program. A thesis topic should be selected early and consent of two faculty sponsors secured.

Seven 400 level Electives in history, of which two must be in 400-level only classes	21 sh
Hist 450, The Seminar	3 sh
Hist 490, The Thesis	3 sh
Hist 4xx Graduate Reading Seminar in History	3 sh
Hist 4xx Graduate Reading Seminar in History	3 sh

A student who has not completed a thesis must maintain continued registration during fall and spring semesters until completion of the thesis by registering for the appropriate zero-credit course (Hist 490Y). Students who have not maintained continuous registration for the thesis will be required to register for all intervening fall and spring semesters prior to graduation.

For students entering Fall 2014 or later:

Non-Thesis Option

Students who elect to take 36 semester hours of course work must take at least 27 semester hours at Roosevelt. In addition to Hist 450 (The Seminar) and two graduate reading seminars, graduate students must take nine 400-level electives, of which at least three must be in 400-level only classes. The three 400-only electives may include additional sections of the readings class, the seminar, or 400-level courses designated only for graduate students. They may also include Hist 484, Internship in History or Hist 485, Internship in Teaching History. Students taking multiple sections of the readings courses or seminar may not repeat the same topic twice. A seminar paper acceptable to the program is generally written in conjunction with Hist 450 to demonstrate command of historical method and interpretation.

Nine 400 level Electives in history, of which three must be in 400-level only classes	27 sh
Hist 450, The Seminar	3 sh
Hist 4xx Graduate Reading Seminar in History	3 sh
Hist 4xx Graduate Reading Seminar in History	3 sh