

HIST 2704:

Approaches to Global History and Research

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Working beyond and around traditional units of analysis – most characteristically departing from a focus on the nation-state – has opened up diverse possibilities for innovative research in history. But new frameworks also require new strategies for research and storytelling, in addition to the practical challenges of dealing with multiple languages, extended time periods, or highly mobile subjects and commodities. This course will explore the diverse strategies and methods for conducting historical research in global perspective. Providing students with a toolkit to pursue the development and execution of their own research projects, this seminar will introduce the different methodological approaches and central interventions of transnational/comparative, international, global, and world history, among others. Students from diverse disciplines are welcome; this course fulfills the Capstone requirement for the Global Studies certificate.