

Course Code: HIS 166**Course Title:** British History I**Department:** Arts, Media, and Social Sciences**Effective Date:** Summer 2026**PCS Code:** 1.1 - Baccalaureate/Transfer**CIP Code:** 54.0101**Repeatability:** 0

Credit Hours

Catalog Notation: 3-0-3**Credit Hour Distribution:**

Lecture: 3

Lab: 0

Clinical: 0

Total: 3

General Course Information

Catalog Description

Survey of British history to 1714: Roman and Anglo-Saxon invasions, Norman Conquest, Chaucer's England, and British-American relations. (Also in Canterbury Program)

General Course Objectives

To teach students the history of Britain from earliest times to 1714. The course will examine Roman and Anglo-Saxon invasions, the Norman Conquest, Chaucer's England, and British-American relations.

Minimum Placement Levels

English	Reading	Math
Placement out of ENG 098	Placement out of CCS 098	None

Prerequisites

None

Methods of Evaluation

Students take a midterm and a final exam; both are mixed objective-essay exams. Students are required to complete a reading and writing assignment which is usually a 2,000 word research paper which makes use of both primary and secondary sources.

Instructional Materials and Additional Supplies

The Oxford History of Britain, revised ed., Kenneth Morgan, editor. 978-0199579259

Course Content

General Learning Outcomes (GLOs)

- Critical Thinking and Information Literacy: Students will demonstrate the ability to evaluate perspectives, evidence, and implications, and to locate, assess, and use information effectively.
- Global Awareness and Cultural Reasoning: Students will demonstrate their understanding of global issues, gender and sexual orientation, and multicultural perspectives.

Course Segments and Student Learning Outcomes

Course Segment	Learning Outcomes	Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Clinical Hours
Introduction	1. Summarize the history of England in the ancient era and discuss the geography and development of early England.	1	0	0
Roman and Anglo England	1. Describe the Roman invasions, evaluate their contributions, and summarize the coming of the Germanic tribes and the reign of the early kings such as Alfred.	3	0	0
The End of Anglo-Saxon England and the Normans	1. Relate the development of the Anglo-Saxon kingdoms and their eventual demise at the hands of the Normans. 2. Explain the development and use of the Domesday Book.	3	0	0
Henry II and His Sons	1. Sketch and interpret the contributions of King Henry II to the development of modern England and its relations with the Continent. Describe how his sons continued his legacy and how the Magna Carta laid the groundwork for democratic reforms.	3	0	0
Henry III, Edward I, and Edward II	1. Describe the reigns of three key monarchs and their contributions to the rise and fall of England.	3	0	0
Edward III and Henry IV: Hundred Years' War	1. Appraise how the contributions of King Edward III and Henry IV changed England and redirected its history. 2. Analyze the key events of the Hundred Years' War and its impact on England.	3	0	0
Wars of the Roses	1. Explain the events that led to the conflict between the houses of Lancaster and York. 2. Describe the social and culture changes, the major military encounters, and the rebellions that occurred during the War of the Roses.	3	0	0
House of York to House of Tudor	1. Contrast the House of York and the House of Tudor; identify key aspects of each and how the transition changed England.	3	0	0
Henry VIII and the Reformation	1. Evaluate Henry VIII's contributions to both England and the Continent and compare his reformation of the church to that which occurred in Europe; delineate Henry VIII's failures and successes.	5	0	0
Mid-Tudor England	1. Appraise the reigns of Henry VIII's successors and examine the continuing dispute between Protestant and Roman Catholic forces in England, Spain, and the Continent.	3	0	0
Elizabeth I, James I, Charles I	1. Differentiate the reigns of Elizabeth I, James I, and Charles I. 2. Examine the final establishment of the Church of England and outline how religious, social, and political disputes led to the English Civil War.	4	0	0
The English Civil War and the Protectorate	1. Outline the key events of the English Civil War and the demise of Charles I. 2. Examine Oliver Cromwell's rise to power and his contributions.	4	0	0

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The Restoration and the Glorious Revolution	1. Summarize the end of the Protectorate and the return of the monarchy. 2. Relate the events that led to the Glorious Revolution and the installation of William and Mary.	3	0	0
William and Mary	1. Examine the political and social reforms brought by William and Mary.	2	0	0
Queen Anne and the Creation of Great Britain	1. Describe the reign of Queen Anne, the last Stuart, and discuss the creation of the Act of Union as well as her compliance with the formation of democratic institutions.	2	0	0

Total Contact Hours

Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Clinical Hours
45	0	0