

**Nebraska Wesleyan University**

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## **HIST 518 The U.S. in the Era of World Wars**

3 hours

**Majors (Grad)**

Master of Arts in Historical Studies

**Departments/Programs:**

Historical Studies (Graduate)

This course examines the United States from the close of the Great War through the conclusion of World War II, an era of sweeping changes that in significant ways represents the maturation of both modern America and the modern world. The changes associated with this shift toward modernity were often painful and convulsive for the American nation and yielded new political, economic, social and cultural realities that continue to shape our contemporary era. The culmination of this period was the onset of a war of such scale as to eclipse all others in the history of humanity. This course will focus on creating a cohesive narrative that can do justice to an era made up of so many disparate trends, events and developments.