## **General Information**

After the establishment of Niğde University in1992, Master's Degree and Doctoral Degree programs launched in 1996 in the Department of History in Medieval History and Modern History branches at the Institute of Social Sciences. Department of History enables the education of the Master Degree Program with thesis from 2014 education year.

Various research and training studies are carried out in the context of Turkish History, Culture and Civilization and its relations with other nations and cultures. Also the department aims to train individuals who are interrogator, participatory, dynamic and regards national values and think universally, to serve humanity enabling the education of individuals in the mentioned areas and contribute to the country's unity and integrity and he region's social and cultural development.

Our department aims to contribute to the social sciences using questioning, exploratory and critiqued edition of materials and taking into account the position of the Turkish history in the history of the world in a simultaneous approach of the Turkish history, culture and civilization and in the field of relations with the other nations and cultures and ensure students gain this scientific approach.

The maximum completion time for Master's Degree with thesis in Department of History, (for detailed information "Niğde University Graduate Education and Examination Regulations" Article 36 should be consulted). Institute of Social Sciences, Department of History has a young, dynamic and competent academic staff housing a professor, 3 associated professor and 7 assistant professors.

Students are required to complete a total of 120 credits in order to graduate from the Master's Degree of the Department of History.

## Aims and Objectives

## Aims:

To know all the methods of research and investigation within the scope of the science of history, carry out scientific research independently using the methods of research and investigation, to be appropriate and suitable for effective cooperation between other disciplines and have the potential, be sensitive to protection and maintenance of, culture, art, and natural assets, have contemporary thinking skills, provide practical solutions to solve a problem in the field of history and have the ability to successfully manage these solutions, have awareness to look at the events from a social perspective as well as the individual perspective.

## **Objectives:**

The main objectives of the department is to train the historians of the future to deal with the problems, needs and deficiencies that will arise in the field of the different periods and processes as researchers, academics, teachers, and etc., gain knowledge and different perspectives, develop analytical thinking skills, train high-quality and well-equipped students, raise individuals who are full of love for the country and the nation, regard the country's interests over the interests of themselves, devented, devoted and responsible, guide students

to research and study, increase creativity and productivity and train students with an inquisitive, exploratory, creative, and integrative perspective.

## **Qualification Awarded**

Upon successful completion of this program, students are awarded with the qualification of MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE in HISTORY.

Master's Degree with thesis of the Department of History, is a 3-year 120 ECTS program.

# Admission Requirements

The candidates who apply to Master's Degree programs in the Department of History must have an appropriate Bachelor's degree. They are required to take an ALES score of 55 at least or an equivalent score of GMAT or GRE determined by the Council of Higher Education.

Undergraduate graduation grade point average and ALES score and if available foreign language score is considered in admittance to Master's Degree programs. Foreign language is not a prerequisite to apply graduate programs, in calculation language foreign language score is assumed to be zero. Master's degree entrance success grade is the sum of 35% of Bachelor's Degree graduation grade point average, 50% of the ALES score and 15% of foreign language score.

(For details of admission requirements and other information "Niğde University Graduate Education and Examination Regulation" be consulted).

For the exchange of students according to the Erasmus exchange program and other details NIĞDE UNIVERSITY ERASMUS EXCHANGE PROGRAM DIRECTIVE" should be consulted.

For further and detailed information please visit <u>General Admission</u> <u>Requirements</u> and <u>Registration Procedures</u> in the menu items of the Information on the Institution.

For further information on the admission requirement for foreign students, please contact to Nigde University International Relations Office.

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# **Specific Arrangements for Recognition of Prior Learning**

With an understanding of lifelong learning, Niğde University recognizes the previously taken courses in another institution and exempt them from graduation credit, as long as the courses match with the learning outcomes of the registered programme at Niğde University. The learning outcome match and the exemption are decided by the Faculty Board in line with the related laws and regulations.

## **Profile of the Program**

Graduate Programs in History ("Second and Third Cycle" in QF-EHEA and "7the and 8th Level" in TYYÇ) is an academically-oriented program giving access to research programs and professional practice demanding advanced levels of knowledge, skills and competencies. The program can be classified in regards to <u>ISCED (The International Standard Classification of Education) 2011</u> and <u>NQF-HETR (The Turkish Qualifications Framework for HE)</u> profiles and fields of education as follows:

#### Master's Degree with Thesis:

•ISCED Field of Education: 22 – Human Sciences

•ISCED 2011 Level: 7, Orientation (Profile): 22, Subcategory: 222 – Academicallyoriented "First Cycle" degree

• NQF-HETR Field of Education: 22 - History

#### • NQF-HETR Profile of Education: Academically-oriented "Master's Degree

## Learning and Teaching Methods

The most frequently used instructional methods of the educational programs of Nigde University are given below. Programmes commonly apply these methods as appropriate instructional approaches in accordance with their aims and objectives. The instructional methods applied for achieving the goal of meeting the expected learning outcomes of the Department of History at large are indicated in the section of 'program learning outcomes', and those methods utilized for individual course units are indicated in the relevant section of "description of individual course unit'.

#### Learning and Teaching Methods

- Lecture & In-Class Activities
- Group Work
- Reading
- Assignment (Homework)
- Project Work
- Seminar
- Social Activity
- Thesis Work

## **Occupational profiles of graduates with examples**

The graduate students of our department can not only work in the private schools and courses, but also teach by taking place in the staff of National Education Ministry if they become successful in KPSS. In addition, they can work as an expert and assistant at the Ministry of Culture, the State Archives, the Archives of General Staff and the Turkish Historical Society and they are employed as academics at various universities or work at the departments of army, justice and the police forces.

## **Qualification Requirements and Regulations**

In order for a student to graduate from Graduate Programmes in HISTORY, he/she has

#### Master's Degree with Thesis

- Completed minimum 7 courses, seminar and specialization field courses and thesis studies.
- Completed 120 ECTS credits with passing grades.
- A cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of at least 2.50 out of 4.00.

Fot further information visit "Niğde University Rules and Regulations on Education and Exam Procedures in Graduate Programs"

### Access to Further Studies

The graduate students of our department can not only work in the private schools and courses, but also teach by taking place in the staff of National Education Ministry if they become successful in KPSS. In addition, they can work as an expert and assistant at the Ministry of Culture, the State Archives, the Archives of General Staff and the Turkish Historical Society and they are employed as academics at various universities or work at the departments of army, justice and the police forces.

## **Examination Regulations, Assessment and Grading**

The methods applied for assessment of the achievement of the expected program learning outcomes for the program of Master's Degree with thesis of History are shown below and those for the individual course units are given in the relevant section of the course description with their contribution to the final grades.

- Mid-Term Exam
- Final Exam
- Make-up Exam
- Homework Assessment
- Presentation of Thesis

#### **Examinations:**

Mid-term and final examinations are conducted in dates, places and times determined and announced by the University. The student cannot take one-course exam.

Examinations of graduate courses are evaluated out of 100 and for each course at least one midterm examination is given each semester. Midterm / final / make-up exams can be done in writing or assessed regarding the prepared the assignments and practical works during the semester.

Success grade of Master's degree courses is the sum of 40% of midterm exam and 60% of final exam and this score must be at least 75.

For detailed information, visit "Examinations and Evaluation".

## Evaluation:

The success of a student for each assessment (in-term and final) defined for each course unit is evaluated by the instructor. Evaluations are made over a scale of 100 points and converted to the letter grades at the end of the semester taking into account the standard deviation of grades and grade point average of the class and using the relative evaluation method, principles of which have been set by the Senate. To be considered successful in a course, the Master's degree students are required to take 75 out of 100.

Course Score	Course Grade	Grade Points
90-100	AA	4.00
85-89	BA	3.50
80-84	BB	3.00
75-79	СВ	2.50
70-74	CC	2.00
65-69	DC	1.50
60-64	DD	1.00
50-59	FD	0.50
0-49	FF	0.00

## For further information visit "Grade Evaluation"

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## Mode of Study

Graduate programs in HISTORY at Nigde University are a full time / face to face programmes.

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