ELIGIBILITY:

a. Going into your 3rd year (i.e., you expect to complete at least 9.0 FCEs by the end of August 2022)

b. You must be enrolled in the HIS Specialist or Major program. Priority enrollment for Specialists.

c. You will need a minimum A- average in 2.0 FCE HIS courses at the 200 level or higher and approval of the Associate Chair (Undergraduate).

EXCLUSION:

Students are not allowed to enroll in HIS475H1S and HIS491Y.

Course Information:

Taught usually by the Undergraduate Chair, students will learn the historical methodology skills required to undertake a major independent research project for future professional use or graduate studies, including the development of a topic, formal literature reviews, and the writing of research and grant proposals.

When you have finished this course, you will have a prospectus ready to begin your senior thesis in HIS476H1F in Fall 2023, work you can then get started on over the summer.

We’ll also be introducing you to, and encouraging you to apply for, summer funding to support your research work, such as the University of Toronto Award of Excellence, the Jackman Humanities Undergraduate Fellowship and various College undergraduate research awards.

You don’t need to have a topic or a potential thesis supervisor to enroll in HIS475H1S.

DEADLINES:

1) The deadline for the first round of applications is July 15th, 2022. Acceptance in HIS475H1S is based on merit, with specialists being giving priority.

2) Applications will be accepted for a second round of applications between July 30th and August 31st, 2022 ONLY if enrollment space remains in HIS475H1S after the first round of balloting.

3) NOTIFICATION: For first round you will be notified by the Undergraduate Office by July 30th, 2022 of the outcome of your application.

4) If space remains in the seminar (there is a cap of 25), and late applications are accepted, second round students will be notified by September 1, 2022.
5) If space remains in the seminar after September 1, 2022, a third and final round of applications will be accepted between December 1 and December 15, 2022, with notification before the start of the S term.

HOW TO APPLY:

1. Send an email and a pdf copy of your academic record to: history.ugchr@utoronto.ca, copying (cc) the history.ugadvisor@utoronto.ca! Use the subject line: HIS475H1S Senior Research Seminar Ballot.

2. In the body of your email, copy and complete the following:
   Ballot for HIS475H1S Senior Research Seminar

   Your Name:       Student Number:

   As of August 2022, I will have completed ____ History Credits (H courses count as .5).

   Current Program(s) of Study:

   College:

   List course#, title and session of any Independent Study Courses taken previously.

   Reason(s) for requesting enrollment in HIS475H1S

   Any additional information about your application that should be taken into consideration.

   That’s it! See deadlines for the timeline of notification for acceptance.