

**Contract Instructor Opportunities, Summer 2026 term**  
Carleton University, Department of History

The Department of History is seeking qualified contract instructors for the 2026 summer term (May to August 2026). As a general rule, the minimum qualification is a Ph.D. in the appropriate field. Terms and conditions of employment are set out in the [Collective Agreement](#) between Carleton University and CUPE Local 4600, unit 2.

The courses for which contract instructors are currently being sought are:

**[HIST 2301 \[0.5 credit\]](#) Canadian Political History**

An historical survey of political experiences in Canada.

May – June

*Candidates are required to have experience in teaching Canadian Political History and in the supervision of teaching assistants. A record of publications in the field would be an asset.*

Designated Modality: In Person

Anticipated TA support: Yes

Anticipated Enrolment: 120

\*Please note that anticipated TA support is based on anticipated enrollment and may change based on actual enrollment in a course.

**[HIST 2401 \[0.5 credit\]](#) History of the United States to 1865**

A survey of United States politics and society from the American Revolution to the Civil War.

July – August

*Candidates are required to have experience in teaching the history of the United States and in the supervision of teaching assistants. A record of publications in the field would be an asset.*

Designated Modality: Online

Anticipated TA support: Yes

Anticipated Enrolment: 120

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**[HIST 2913 \[0.5 credit\]](#) History of Oil**

An exploration of the history of oil from the ancient period to the present day. The course introduces students to the interconnected histories of oil in countries across the world.

July – August

*Candidates are required to have experience in teaching the history of Oil as it relates to such matters as technology, industry, culture, and society. A record of publications in the field would be an asset.*

Designated Modality: Online

Anticipated TA support: Yes

Anticipated Enrolment: 120

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[HIST 3005 \[0.5 credit\]](#) **Medieval Aristocratic Life**

A general examination of the life of European ruling elites from the ninth to the 13th century, with special reference to the Anglo-Norman and French experiences of noble power, conduct, and prestige.  
May – June

*Candidates are required to have experience in teaching the history of Europe in the Middle Ages. A record of publications in the field would be an asset.*

Designated Modality: Online

Anticipated TA support: Yes

Anticipated Enrolment: 60

\*Please note that anticipated TA support is based on anticipated enrollment and may change based on actual enrollment in a course.

**Application Procedures and Deadlines:**

All applicants must apply to the Department Chair in writing via email:

Dr. Sonya Lipsett-Rivera, Chair  
c/o Tanya Schwartz, Acting Departmental Administrator  
Department of History  
Carleton University  
[Tanya.schwartz@carleton.ca](mailto:Tanya.schwartz@carleton.ca)

As per Article 15.3 of the current CUPE 4600 Unit 2 Collective Agreement, applicants are required to submit a cover letter, an up to date CV that includes a complete listing of all courses taught within the CUPE 4600 Unit 2 bargaining unit at Carleton University. NOTE that when applying to classes for which they have incumbency, applicants shall not be required to (re)submit documentation beyond their updated CV.

**The deadline for receipt of applications is Monday January 5, 2026.**

Disclaimer: All contract instructor positions are subject to budgetary approval. Advertisement is not a guarantee that a particular course will be offered.

*A note to all applicants:* As per Articles 16.3 and 16.4 in the CUPE 4600-2 Collective Agreement, the posted vacancies listed above are first offered to applicants meeting the incumbency criterion. A link to the current CUPE 4600-2 Collective Agreement can be found at the Employment Staff Agreements webpage on the Carleton University Human Resources website <https://carleton.ca/hr/labour-relations/academic-staff-agreements/> and the CUPE 4600-2 website <https://www.cupe4600.ca/>