

Chronological Outline

- 111 B.C. Han Dynasty asserts Chinese sovereignty in area of present-day northern Viet Nam
- 39–43 A.D. Revolt of the Trung sisters, national heroines of Viet Nam
 - 939 Vietnamese gain independence from China
- 939–967 Ngo Dynasty
- 968–980 Dinh Dynasty
- 980–1009 Former Le Dynasty
- 1010–1225 Ly Dynasty
 - 1075 First competitive examinations in Chinese
 - 1209 Earliest extant Nom inscription
- 1225–1400 Tran Dynasty
 - 1272 First dynastic history (in Chinese)
- 1400–1407 Ho Dynasty
- 1407–1413 Later Tran Dynasty
- 1413–1427 Occupation by Ming Chinese
- 1428–1786 Le Dynasty
 - 1651 de Rhodes' Dictionary
- 1788–1802 Tay Son Dynasty
- 1802–1945 Nguyen Dynasty
 - 1861 French begin conquest of Viet Nam
 - 1865 *Gia Dinh Journal* established

- 1907 Tonkin Free School established
- 1918–1919 Chinese civil service examinations abolished
- 1945 Establishment of Democratic Republic of Viet Nam
- 1954 Geneva Agreement
- 1975 Withdrawal of American forces