

**HISTORY MAJOR  
PROGRAM OF STUDY**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Advisor \_\_\_\_\_

In the spaces provided below, the student, in conjunction with his/her faculty advisor, should list the courses he/she plans to take to satisfy the requirements of the major. On the back the student should describe the rationale behind the chosen program and course selections. This plan of study may be modified with the approval of the advisor. A new program of study form reflecting the changes should be signed and dated by both the student and the advisor. Students are urged to select an area of specialization and complete the program rationale within a semester of declaring the history major, and must complete it no later than the second semester of the junior year.

The program must be planned in consultation with an advisor. A copy of the program, signed by one's advisor, must be placed in one's file no later than the second semester of one's junior year. Courses at the 700-level will be judged by the advisor as to their applicability for area of specialization or complementation.

A student's program of study must include two parts: (1) an area of specialization. A student must select at least four courses (500 level or above) to serve as an area of specialization within the major. Up to two courses (each 4 credits or their equivalent) in the area of specialization may be taken in other departments; such courses must be and have the approval of the student's advisor. The area of specialization may be in a nation, region, a time period, or an interdisciplinary field.

(2) Complementary courses. A student must select, in consultation with his or her adviser, at least three history courses in fields outside the area of specialization, chosen to broaden his or her understanding of the range of history. Normally, each major should take at least one course from each of Groups I, II, and III, unless explicitly excused by the student's adviser.

For transfer students, a minimum of five of the semester courses used to fulfill the major requirements must be taken at the University. One upper-level course may be transferred to satisfy the requirement that a major must take at least three courses numbered 600 or above. Transfer students must complete both HIST 500 or its equivalent and HIST 797.

Course # and Title

**HIST 500**

Introduction to Historical Thinking \_\_\_\_\_

**HIST 797**

Colloquium in History \_\_\_\_\_

**APPROVED AREA OF  
SPECIALIZATION**

At least four courses 500 level or above  
chosen to develop in-depth understanding  
of a nation, region time-period or  
interdisciplinary field. Up to two 4-credit

courses or their equivalent  
may be taken in other departments, with the  
approval of the advisor. \_\_\_\_\_

**COMPLEMENTARY COURSES**

At least three history courses in field outside  
the area of specialization, chosen to broaden  
the student's understanding of the range of  
history. \_\_\_\_\_

**HISTORY ELECTIVE**

May be an additional history course from \_\_\_\_\_  
the area of specialization or a complementary area.

