

History Major Planning Worksheet

Name:

Phone:

Class Year:

Student ID#:

E-mail:

History Advisor Name:

Please fill out this planning worksheet in consultation with your major advisor (courses should be written with their number and title), and sign and date the worksheet at the bottom. **Email your completed worksheet to the undergraduate coordinator, Jacquilyn Rizzo, with the subject line "History Major Worksheet" OR bring a hard copy to Rush Rhees 362B.** When the Director of Undergraduate Studies approves your worksheet, you will be notified via email. You can then officially declare your major.

Gateway to History - HIST 200 (Number + Title)

1.

Pre-1800 Courses (Number + Title)

1.

2.

Post-1800 Courses (Number + Title)

1.

2.

Three Separate Geographic Distribution Courses (Number + Title)

1.

2.

3.

Focus Area Courses (Number + Title)

❖ Name of Focus Area:

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

Upper-Level Writing (one 300/400 level; one in focus area)

1.

2.

****Please list any additional courses/credits required to reach the minimum 10 courses (40 credits) for the major in the box on the right.**

- New declaration
 Revised worksheet (**NOTE: YOU MUST INDICATE WHICH ITEMS YOU ARE REVISING WITH *, BOLD, ETC.**)

10 History Classes (Number + Title)

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Student's Signature:

Advisor's Signature (optional):

DUS's Signature (required):

DUS Approval Date:

History Major Requirements

The major in History consists of a total of **ten courses (or 40 credit hours)**. In addition to the courses on the front of this worksheet, history majors must meet the following requirements:

- Students must complete **two** upper-level writing ("W") history courses, **one** of which must be on the 300- or 400-level, and **one** of which must be in the student's area of focus. One course may fulfill both requirements, but you must still take a second upper-level writing course. You must earn a C or better in these two courses to fulfill this particular major requirement.
- A minimum of **six** history courses (or 24 credit hours) taken from members of the History Department faculty. **No more than four courses taken outside the department can be counted toward the major. This includes study abroad courses, cross-listed courses taught by faculty not formally associated with the department of history, and no more than four elective credit hours (the equivalent of one course) for AP and IB exams.** (Please note that some HIST courses are offered by faculty in other departments and will not count toward the six-course minimum). Transfer students majoring in history are required to take a minimum of five courses in the department, thus meeting half the major requirements in residence.
- All of these specific requirements are included within the ten required courses, and overlap is allowed between requirements. For instance, a course on traditional China may count both as a course in the geographical area of Asia and the Pacific and as a course in the pre-1800 chronological period.
- Students double-majoring in history and another department or program in the humanities or the social science divisions may, with the permission of the Director of Undergraduate Studies, use either one or two courses (a maximum of 8 credits) from the student's other major toward the fulfillment of the history major. Double-majors must, however still meet the geographical and chronological distribution requirements and the upper-level writing requirements with history courses.
- If study of a foreign language is pertinent to a student's focus area (e.g. Japanese to Asian and Asian-American history, or Russian to European history) and will be used in research for history courses, then a student may, with permission of the Director of Undergraduate Studies, count up to two courses (a maximum of 8 credits) of language study toward the history major. Students using foreign language credits within the major must still meet the geographical and chronological distribution requirements, the upper-level writing requirements, and the focus area requirement with history courses. *(Please note: a student using foreign language study to satisfy a humanities cluster may only overlap ONE course in the cluster with the history major).*

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

For scores of five on the Advanced Placement American history, European history, or world history exams, four credits (the equivalent of one course) will be granted. This may count as one the ten courses required for the major, but it may not be used to satisfy the geographical or chronological distribution requirements OR the focus requirement in the major. No credit is given for scores lower than five.

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE

For scores of six or better in International Baccalaureate higher-level exams, four credits (the equivalent of one course) will be granted. This may count as one of the ten courses required for the major, but it may not be used to satisfy the geographical or chronological distribution requirements OR the focus requirement in the major. No credit is granted for standard-level exams or for higher-level scores lower than six.