

Department of History Major Checklist

Student Name: _____

Advisor: _____

I. Survey Courses – Students must complete any two courses at the 100-level

1) _____

2) _____

II. HIST 201 – Doing History _____ (Must be completed in the Sophomore year, or in the first semester of the Junior year)

III. Seminars – Students must complete four seminars at the 200/300 level (class numbers ending in 10-98).

- One of which *must* be at the 300-level.
- HIST 201 cannot be used to fulfill this requirement.
- HIST 205 can replace only one of the three required 200/300-level courses but not the required 300 level course

200/300 _____ 200/300 _____ 200/300 _____

300 _____

IV. Distribution Requirements – Students must complete the following distribution requirements using Survey (110-98) and/or Seminar (210-398) classes.

- a. A single class can be used to fulfill both a pre-modern and a geographical requirement simultaneously
- b. HIST 201, HIST 205, HIST 430, and HIST 451/452 *cannot* be used to fulfill distribution requirements.

Pre-Modern: 1) _____ 2) _____

Africa/Asia/Latin America/Middle East (classes ending 10-49): 1) _____ 2) _____

U.S./Europe/Atlantic World (Classes ending 50-98): 1) _____ 2) _____
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V. Senior Experience

Senior Seminar (HIST 430) _____ AND Elective _____

OR

Senior Research (HIST 451/452) _____

Information Sheet for Majors & Minors

The Major: The department requires 36 hours (or nine courses) distributed to ensure both breadth and depth in the discipline of History. The major requirements must be fulfilled as follows:

Survey Courses: Majors must complete any two courses at the 100-level

Seminars: Majors must complete any four seminar courses at the 200-level (Reading Seminars) or 300-level (Reading Seminars with a Research Component) with course numbers ending in 10-98, with the following provisions:

- One of these courses *must* be a 300-level, which combines an in-depth exploration of a theme or topic with the completion of a significant research project grounded in primary sources.

Distribution Requirements: To ensure engagement with diverse fields of history, students will use the Survey-level (110-198) and/or Seminar-level (210-398) classes to fulfill the following chronological and geographical requirements:

- Two classes on pre-modern history (prior to 1800)
- Two classes on the history of Africa, East Asia, Latin America, and/or the Middle East (course numbers ending in 10-49)
- Two classes on the history of the United States, Europe, and/or the Atlantic World (course numbers ending 50-98)
- NOTE: A single class **CAN BE USED** to fulfill both a pre-modern and a geographical requirement simultaneously.
- HIST 201, HIST 205, HIST 430, and HIST 451/452 do not fulfill Distribution Requirements.

History 201 – Doing History: a historical methods course. Students should complete HIST 201 in their sophomore year and no later than the first semester of the junior year. HIST 201 is only open to students who have declared a History major or minor.

Senior Experience: History Majors must complete Senior Seminar (HIST 430) or independent Senior Research (HIST 451/452). Those who chose to complete HIST 430 must also complete one addition elective course at any level.

The Minor

The department requires a minimum of 24 hours (or six courses) for work in history for a minor. Students must complete the two survey level classes (at the 100-level), HIST 201 – “Doing History,” two seminars at the 200/300-level (one of which must be a 300), and an elective.

Minors must complete one course on pre-modern history, two courses on the histories of Africa, East Asia, Latin America and/or the Middle East; and two courses on the histories of Europe, the United States, and/or the Atlantic World.

Minors must complete the same distribution requirements as for the major with the exception that minors need only one (not two) pre-modern courses.

History 205 – Sophomore Seminar – Please note that majors and minors may apply one HIST 205 – Sophomore Seminar fulfill these requirements. Majors may apply HIST 205 as *either* one of the required seminar level courses (200/300) or as an elective, but not both. Minors may only apply HIST 205 as an elective.