

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, at jacquilyn.rizzo@rochester.edu with the subject line "History Major Worksheet" OR bring a hard copy to Rush Rhees 364.** 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)

1.

Pre-1800

1.

2.

Post-1800

1.

2.

Three Separate Geographic Distribution Courses

1.

2.

3.

Focus Area Courses

1.

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3.

4.

5.

10 History Classes (Number + Title)

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2.

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10.

Upper-Level Writing (one must be 300/400)

1. **(FOCUS AREA)**

2.

Student's Signature (*electronic OK*):

Advisor's Signature (*optional*):

Electives (to make total of 40 credits)

1.

DUS's Signature (*required*):

DUS Approval Date:

History Major Requirements

(in addition to the courses on the front, history majors must meet following requirements)

- ❑ Students must complete **two** upper-level writing ("W") history courses, **one** of which must be on the 300- or 300/400-level, and **one** of which must be in the student's area of focus. You must earn a C or better in these 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 **4** courses (or 16 credit hours) in the concentration may come from courses taken elsewhere, study abroad courses, AP credit, IB credit, or cross-listed courses taught by faculty not formally associated with the department of history. (Please note that some HIS 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 300-level seminar 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 2 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

Advanced placement credit will be granted for scores of five on the American history, European history, or world history exams. This credit is elective credit and may not be used to satisfy the geographical or chronological distribution requirements in the major or minor OR to satisfy the focus requirement in the major.

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE

International baccalaureate credit will be granted should a higher-level exam score of six or better be received. No credit is granted for subsidiary level exams. This credit is elective credit and may not be used to satisfy the geographical or chronological distribution requirements in the major or minor OR to satisfy the focus requirement in the major.

Note: 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 a combined total of four elective credit hours (the equivalent of one course) for AP and IB exams.