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II. Description of Curriculum Change History B.A. 1.Catalog description

Liberal Studies

As in catalogue with the following specifications:

Liberal Studies Electives: No courses with HIST prefix

Humanities-History: Fulfilled by required courses in major

50-52

College:

Foreign Language Intermediate Level

0-6

Major: Required Courses
HIST 200 Introduction to History
HIST 480 Senior Seminar (1)

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Controlled electives

At least three foundation courses from the following list(2)

HIST 201 Western Civilization to 1600(3)
HIST 202 Western Civilization since 1600(3)
HIST 204 United States History to 1877
HIST 205 United States History since 1877
HIST 206 History of East Asia

HIST 208 Latin American History

One course from HIST 401-404 (Topics)

One Non-Western HIST course: Latin America, Africa, Asia, Middle East, Russia 300 or 400 level

Five or six additional History courses (4)

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- (1)This requirement may be fulfilled by completing either the departmental honors program (HIST 483) or a graduate seminar with a concluding paper.
- (2) No more than 12sh in foundation courses may be counted towards the major.
- (3) For students who have received credit for HIST 195, 210 or 212, prior to becoming history majors, this course may not be appropriate. Consult History advisor before scheduling.
- (4) Courses selected from 300 and 400 level offerings; no more than 6sh from HIST 493 as major elective. Students who have taken 3 foundation courses must take at least 7 6 300-400 level HIST courses. Those with 4 foundation courses need take only 6 at 300-400 level HIST courses.

Total hours in major

2. Summary of Changes B.A. in History a. Comparison Table

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Old Program	New Program						
Liberal Studies	Liberal Studies						
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		foundation courses must take at least 7 6 300-400 level HIST courses. Those with 4 foundation courses need take only 6 300-400 level HIST courses.
Total hours in major	33	Total hours in major
Free Electives:	33-41	Free Electives: 30-38
Total degree requirements:	124	Total degree requirements:

b. Course Changes

Re-number HIST 335 to HIST 206 Add HIST 204, 205, 208, and 401, 402, 403, 404, (topics classes) Remove HIST 203 (end of calendar 2002) Add 3 hours to overall program

3. Rationale for Changes

Changing the 201-203 sequence to a selection of foundation courses

Offers students more options to pursue their interests and provides more flexibility.

Allowing students to substitute an upper-division course for one of the foundation courses provides more flexibility for students interested in doing more advanced work.

Adding 400-level topics class

Gives students a chance to look at a singe topic in greater depth and requires a research paper, introducing them to research skills.

Adding 3 hours for total of 36

Enables students to take more upper-division courses and get a broader exposure to history. The American Historical Association recommends between 36 and 39 hours for a history major, so we would be bringing the major up to the minimum suggested level. The change would also bring the major closer to other majors, such as Political Science — Government-Public Service (39) Sociology (42) Spanish (37) and Fashion Merchandising (39)

Part III Implementation

1. Effects on students in existing program

Effects on students in the existing program are expected to be minimal.

2. Effect on teaching loads

There should be no overall effect on faculty teaching loads. The new sequence of 200-level classes requires 4 courses, the same as the old system. The three additional hours will all be in upper-division courses, which are capable of absorbing more students.

3. Other resources

Other resources will be as adequate for this program as they are for the existing program

4. Student Numbers

We anticipate no change in overall student numbers