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Statement of Faculty Senate Action:

APC Document 36 (HIST):
(revised)

Changes to Major and Minor Requirements for History

Effective Date: Fall 2015

1. Delete: On page 163, the entry under **Major in History:**

- I. Required courses in the major—37 hours: HIST 101, 102, 151, 152, 250, 451, 452; 3 hours from American History (category II); 3 hours from European History (category III); 3 hours from World History (category IV); 9 additional hours at 300-400 level.
- II. Required courses outside the major—None.
- III. Other departmental requirements—The senior demonstration of competency and computer competency are satisfied by completion of HIST 452 with a grade of C or better. Oral competency is satisfied in HIST 451 by delivery of formal presentations judged satisfactory by the department.

Add: On page 163, in place of deleted entry:

- I. Required courses in the major—40 hours: HIST 210, 220, 250, 451, 452; 4 hours from American History (category II); 4 hours from European History (category III); 4 hours from World History (category IV); 12 additional hours at 300-400 level.
- II. Required courses outside the major—None.
- III. Other departmental requirements—The senior demonstration of competency, and writing and computer competencies are demonstrated by completion of HIST 452 with a grade of C or better. Information literacy and oral competencies are demonstrated in HIST 451.

2. Delete: On page 163, the entry under **History with Teacher Licensure:**

- I. Required courses in the major—37 hours: HIST 101, 102, 151, 152, 250, 451, 452; 3 hours from American History (category II); 3 hours from European History (category III); 3 hours from World History (category IV); 9 additional hours at 300-400 level. HIST 315 is required for students seeking 6-9 licensure.
- II. Required courses outside the major—14 hours: ECON 101; POLS 220 or 281; PSYC 319; one course from SOC 200, 210 or 220. In addition, students must complete the required EDUC courses as indicated in the Education section of the catalog.
- III. Other departmental requirements—The senior demonstration of competency and computer competency are satisfied by completion of HIST 452 with a grade of C or better. Oral competency is satisfied in HIST 451 by delivery of formal presentations judged satisfactory by the department.

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(category IV); and 12 additional hours at 300-400 level. HIST 315 is required for students seeking 6–9 licensure.

- II. Required courses outside the major—14 hours: ECON 101; POLS 220 or 281; PSYC 319; one course from SOC 200, 210 or 220. In addition, students must complete the required EDUC courses as indicated in the Education section of the catalog.
- III. Other departmental requirements—The senior demonstration of competency, and writing and computer competencies are demonstrated by completion of HIST 452 with a grade of C or better. Information literacy and oral competencies are demonstrated in HIST 451.

3. Delete: On page 163, the entry under **Minor in History:**

18 hours in History: 9 semester hours chosen from HIST 101, 102, 151 and 152, and 9 semester hours at the 300-400 level.

University-wide minimum requirements for a minor: 1) one-half of the hours required for a minor must be completed in residence at UNC Asheville, to include at least 6 hours at the 300-400 level; 2) students must have a cumulative grade-point-average of at least 2.0 on minor courses taken at UNC Asheville.

Add: On page 163, in place of deleted entry:

20 hours in History: HIST 210, 220, and 12 additional hours at the 300-400 level.

University-wide minimum requirements for a minor: 1) one-half of the hours required for a minor must be completed in residence at UNC Asheville, to include at least 6 hours at the 300-400 level; 2) students must have a cumulative grade-point-average of at least 2.0 on minor courses taken at UNC Asheville.

4. Delete: On pages 163-164, the entry under **Credit for Courses Outside History:**

As many as 6 semester hours of credit for courses outside the area of history may be counted toward the requirements for the major if approved by the History Department chair. Up to 3 semester hours of credit for courses outside the area of history may be counted toward the minor if approved by the department chair.

Add: On pages 163-164, in place of deleted entry:

As many as 8 semester hours of credit for courses outside the area of history may be counted toward requirements for the major if approved by History Department chair. Up to 4 semester hours of credit for courses outside the area of history may be counted toward the minor if approved by department chair.

Impact: This change will add 3 hours to the total hours required for the major and 2 hours to the total hours required for the minor. The change could have some impact on current majors and minors. Potential impacts will be addressed through advising and special accommodations to ameliorate the effects of the changes. (See attached) These changes will not affect the department's staffing or resource needs. The number of History courses offered every semester will not change as we will offer 2 sections of each of the Perspective classes (210, 220) every semester and the number of required upper division classes has not changed. See Appendix I and II.

Students who transfer in the equivalent of HIST 101 and 102 will receive credit for HIST 210. Students who transfer in HIST 151 and 152 will receive credit for HIST 220.

Rationale: Changes curriculum to a 4-hour course model. After much discussion in the department and as a result of a departmental retreat held on August 22, 2014, the members of the department agree that these changes will provide our students with much more in-depth coverage of material, allow for the inclusion of more recent scholarship, and more readily address university goals on diversity and sustainability.

The number of HIST organized course sections offered by the department will not change in any appreciable manner due to these curricular changes. We will still offer all catalog courses at least every two years. Surveys HIST 210 and 220), HIST 250, 451, and 452 will be offered every semester. See Appendix I and II.

The History minor has never (at least in the memory of current department member which reaches back almost 30 years) required Minors to complete the same distribution requirements as Majors (1 upper division course each in European, World, and U.S. History). Often Minors use their 300-level courses to supplement work in their major with specific historical information. For instance, someone in Literature or Environmental Studies who has a specific interest in this region might take classes with a focus in Southern Appalachian and Southern U.S. History, or someone with a Sociology of Anthropology major focusing on courses where labor, class, and race issues are highlighted, or an International Studies major focusing on East Asia or the Middle East. Not having the distribution requirements allows this for our minors. Because our majors are required to take 24 hours of upper division courses, they are able to use four of those courses plus their senior thesis to create a de facto concentration