



FINAL FACULTY SENATE APPROVAL ON FEBRUARY 14, 2017

MEMORANDUM

TO: Faculty Senate
FROM: Jack Kirby *JRK*
DATE: January 25, 2017
SUBJECT: Curriculum Proposal #16-17-09
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CURRICULUM PROPOSAL (Submit one hard copy and an electronic copy to the Associate Provost by the second Tuesday of the month.)

Proposal Number: 16-17-09
School/Department/Program: College of Liberal Arts, Department of Social Sciences,
History Program
Preparer/Contact Person: Robin Payne
Telephone Extension: 4758
Date Originally Submitted: November 1, 2016
**Revision (Indicate date and label it
Revision #1, #2, etc.):** _____
Implementation Date Requested: Fall 2017

- I. **PROPOSAL.** Write a brief abstract, not exceeding 100 words, which describes the overall content of the proposal.

This proposal updates the list of Social Sciences electives available to History B.S. majors in fulfillment of their requirements. History B.S. majors select six credit hours from a list of pre-determined Social and Behavioral Sciences electives. History program faculty have updated the list to better reflect current course offerings and to offer B.S. students with coursework that will be more appropriate for their major.

- II. **DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSAL.** Provide a response for each letter, A-H, and for each Roman Numeral II-V. If any section does not apply to your proposal, reply N/A.

- A. Deletion of course(s) or credit(s) from program(s)

Removed courses do not affect total credit hours for the major. The courses being removed from the list will continue to be listed in the catalog as active courses.

ENGL 3382	The World Novel
PHIL 2250	Great Philosophers
SOCY 3360	Methods of Social Science Research

Total hours deleted. 9

- B. Addition of course(s) or credit(s) from program(s)

Added courses do not affect total credit hours for the major.

GEOG 2210	Introduction to Geography
PHIL 2275	Introduction to Logic and Critical Reasoning
SOCY 2230	Social Psychology

Total hours added. 9

C. Provision for interchangeable use of course(s) with program(s)

N/A

D. Revision of course content. Include, as an appendix, a revised course description, written in complete sentences, suitable for use in the university catalog.

N/A

E. Other changes to existing courses such as changes to title, course number, and elective or required status.

N/A

F. Creation of new course(s). For each new course

1. Designate the course number, title, units of credit, prerequisites (if any), ownership (FSU or shared) and specify its status as an elective or required course. If you are creating a shared course, attach a memo from the Deans of the affected Schools explaining the rationale for the course being shared.

N/A

2. Include, as an appendix, a course description, written in complete sentences, suitable for use in the college catalog.

N/A

3. Include, as an appendix, a detailed course outline consisting of at least two levels.

N/A

4. In order to meet the requirements as outlined in Goal One of the Strategic Plan, please include Outcome Competencies and Methods of Assessment as an appendix. Examples are available upon request from the Chair of the Curriculum Committee.

N/A

G. Attach an itemized summary of the present program(s) affected, if any, and of the proposed change(s).

Describe how this proposal affects the hours needed to complete this program. Specifically, what is the net gain or loss in hours? Use the format for Current and Proposed Programs in Appendix A.

There is no net gain or loss in hours for the History B.S. major. While some courses are being removed from the list of offers and others are being added, students will still be required to select two courses totaling six credit hours from the pre-approved list.

III. **RATIONALE FOR THE PROPOSAL.**

A. **Quantitative Assessment:** Indicate the types of assessment data, i.e., surveys, interviews, capstone courses, projects, licensure exams, nationally-normed tests, locally developed measurements, accreditation reports, etc., that were collected and analyzed to determine that curricular changes were warranted. Quantitative data is preferred.

The History Program is updating the list of pre-approved course offerings that History B.S. majors use in fulfilling six credit hours in Social and Behavioral Sciences electives. The courses are being removed from the list because they are not as useful to students seeking to acquire Social and Behavioral Sciences skills relevant to their degrees. Likewise, the courses being added are more in line with the skill set appropriate for History B.S. majors for their emphasis on quantitative methods.

B. **Qualitative Assessment:** Based upon the assessment data above, indicate why a curricular change is justified. Indicate the expected results of the change. Be sure to include an estimate of the increased cost, or reduction in cost of implementation. FOR EXAMPLE: Will new faculty, facilities, equipment, or library materials be required?

As outlined above, the changes being made to the list of Social and Behavioral Sciences Electives for History B.S. majors is designed to better equip History B.S. majors with the kinds of quantitative skills and methods appropriate for a Bachelor of Sciences degree path. For instance, the current list includes courses such as ENGL 3382 (The World Novel) and PHIL 2250 (The Great Philosophers). While courses such as those are relevant for the History B.A. major, which is more humanities driven, courses with a more quantitative methodology, such as PHIL 2275 (Introduction to Logic and Critical Reasoning) are more appropriate for the B.S. degree option. There are no increased costs associated with the implementation of this proposal.

IV. Should this proposal affect any course or program in another school, a memo must be sent to the Dean of each school impacted and a copy of the memo(s) must be included with this proposal. In addition, the Deans of the affected schools must sign below to indicate their notification of this proposal.

By signing here, you are indicating your college's/school's notification of this proposal.

College/School	Dean	Signature
College of Liberal Arts	Deanna Shields	
See Following Page		

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VI. **ADDITIONAL COMMENTS.**

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College of Liberal Arts	Deanna Shields	<i>Deanna Shields</i>

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APPENDIX A
B.S. Degree in History
Current Program

Required Major Courses		HRS
HIST 1107	United States History I	3
HIST 1108	United States History II	3
HIST 2211	World Civilizations I	3
HIST 2212	World Civilizations II	3
HIST 2213	World Civilizations III	3
HIST 2250	The Historian's Craft	3
HIST 4498	Senior Seminar	3
TOTAL Required Major Courses		21
Advanced History Electives		27
HIST 3301	History of Intelligence and National Security	3
HIST 3302	West Virginia History	3
HIST 3310	Diplomatic History of the United States	3
HIST 3315	Colonial America	3
HIST 3316	The Early Republic	3
HIST 3317	Civil War and Reconstruction	3
HIST 3318	Gilded Age to the Great Crash	3
HIST 3319	Recent America	3
HIST 3333	Women in American History	3
HIST 3335	Women in World History	3
HIST 3340	Popular Culture in Modern American History	3
HIST 3344	African-American History and Culture	3
HIST 3351	History of England	3
HIST 3352	History of Russia	3
HIST 4405	History of Africa	3
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HIST 4420	History of Latin America	3
HIST 4425	Medieval Europe	3
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HIST 4430	19 th Century Europe	3
HIST 4431	Recent Europe	3
HIST 4450	History of American Sexualities	3
HIST 4455	Revolutions in History	3
HIST 4475	Philosophy of History	3
HIST 4499	Special Topics	3
Additional Requirements		9
SOCY 2240	Behavioral Statistics	3
-OR-		

PSYC 2240	Behavioral Statistics	3
Social/Behavioral Electives		6
(Students must choose two from the following list):		
BSBA 2200	Economics	3
ENGL 3382	The World Novel	3
PHIL 2250	The Great Philosophers	3
PHIL 3325	Ethics	3
POLI 2220	Introduction to Political Science	3
POLI 3304	Amer. Constitutional Government and Law	3
PSYC 2200	History of Psychology	3
PSYC 2230	Social Psychology	3
SOCY 2205	Principles of Race, Class, and Gender	3
SOCY 3301	Cultural Anthropology	3
SOCY 3360	Methods of Social Research	3
TOTAL HOURS FOR MAJOR (and minor if required)		57

Recommended General Studies Courses*

Attribute IA – Critical Analysis		3
	ENGL 2220* or 2221*	
Attribute IB – Quantitative Literacy		3
	MATH 1107* or 1112*	
Attribute IC – Written Communication		3
	ENGL 1104 (required)	
Attribute ID – Teamwork		3
	COMM 2201* or CRIM 2295*	
Attribute IE – Information Literacy		3
	ENGL 1108 (required)	
Attribute IF – Technology Literacy		3
	BISM 1200,* 2200* or TECH 1100*	
Attribute IG – Oral Communication		3
	COMM 2200*	
Attribute III - Citizenship		X
	Major Course - HIST 1107 or 1108	
Attribute IV - Ethics		3
	PHIL 3325* or SOCY 1110*	
Attribute V - Health		2-3
	PHED 1100* or CRIM 2212*	
Attribute VI - Interdisciplinary		3
	POLI 1103*	
Attribute VIIA - Arts		3
	ART 1120* or MUSI 1120* or THEA 1120*	
Attribute VIIB - Humanities		3
	ENGL 2230* or 2231*	
Attribute VIIC – Social Sciences		3
	PSYC 1101* or GEOG 2210*	
Attribute VIID - Natural Science		4
	Choose 4 hours from: any course with the prefix SCIE* in VII.D	

Attribute VIII – Cultural Awareness	X
Major Course – HIST 2211, 2212, or 2213	
Additional General Studies hours	X

* Any course marked with an asterisk (*) above are recommended to complement the history curriculum; however, students may select any other courses from the approved General Studies list to fulfill the requirements for the individual Attributes as long as at least 30 credit hours towards General Studies requirements have been completed outside of the major.

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