History - B.A.

After learning the basic themes associated with two of the broad areas of study listed under the premajor requirements, a history major at the University of Kentucky is given the opportunity to examine in some detail a wide variety of the histories of various nations, civilizations, and topics. History’s emphasis on the skills of critical reading, writing, and research make it an ideal major for the would-be historian, teacher, archivist, business executive, or lawyer.

120 hours (minimum)

Any student earning a Bachelor of Arts (BA) degree must complete a minimum of 39 hours at the 300+ level. These hours are generally completed by the major requirements. However, keep this hour requirement in mind as you choose your course work for the requirements in the major. See the complete description of College requirements for a Bachelor of Arts degree in the Arts and Sciences section of the 2013-2014 Undergraduate Bulletin.

UK Core Requirements

See the UK Core section of the 2013-2014 Undergraduate Bulletin for the complete UK Core requirements. The courses listed below are (a) recommended by the college, or (b) required courses that also fulfill UK Core areas. Students should work closely with their advisor to complete the UK Core requirements.

I. Intellectual Inquiry in Arts and Creativity
Choose one course from approved list ........................................ 3

II. Intellectual Inquiry in the Humanities
Choose one course from approved list ........................................ 3

III. Intellectual Inquiry in the Social Sciences
Choose one course from approved list ........................................ 3

IV. Intellectual Inquiry in the Natural, Physical, and Mathematical Sciences
Choose one course from approved list ........................................ 3

V. Composition and Communication I
CIS/WRD 110 Composition and Communication I ....................... 3

VI. Composition and Communication II
CIS/WRD 111 Composition and Communication II ....................... 3

VII. Quantitative Foundations
Choose one course from approved list ........................................ 3

VIII. Statistical Inferential Reasoning
Choose one course from approved list ........................................ 3

IX. Community, Culture and Citizenship in the USA
Choose one course from approved list ........................................ 3

X. Global Dynamics
Choose one course from approved list ........................................ 3

UK Core hours ................................................................. 30

Graduation Writing Requirement

After attaining sophomore status, students must complete a Graduation Writing Requirement course. Please see your academic advisor for courses that meet this requirement.

Graduation Writing Requirement hours: ........................................ 3

College Requirements

I. Foreign Language (placement exam recommended) .................. 0-14

II. Disciplinary Requirements
a. Natural Science ........................................................................ 6
b. Social Science .......................................................................... 6
c. Humanities (completed by Major Requirements) .................. 6

III. Laboratory or Field Work .................................................... 1

IV. Electives ................................................................................... 6

College Requirement hours: .................................................... 19-33

Premajor Requirements

HIS 104 A History of the United States Since 1877 and
*HIS 105 A History of Europe from the Mid-Seventeenth Century to the Present

OR

HIS 106 Western Culture: Science and Technology I and
HIS 107 Western Culture: Science and Technology II

OR

*HIS 108 History of the United States Through 1876 and
*HIS 109 History of the United States Since 1877 ......................... 6

Premajor hours: ................................................................. 6

Major Requirements

Major Core Requirements
HIS 301 History Workshop: Introduction to the Study of History ........ 3

plus either 1 or 2 below:
1. HIS 499 Senior Seminar for History Majors ............................ 3
2. HIS 470 Honors Seminar in Historical Methods ....................... 3
   HIS 471 Honors Seminar in Historical Research ....................... 3

Major Core hours: ............................................................... 6-9

Other Course Work Required for the Major

From the Major Department:
Choose 24 hours to include at least six hours in pre-1789 work; at least six hours in post-1789 work; at least three hours in American history; at least three hours of European history; at least three hours in the history of Africa, Asia, Latin America, or the Middle East. At least 15 of these hours must be at the 300+ level ......................... 24

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From Outside the Major Department
Choose 15 hours outside History at the 300+ level, or 200+ level courses used to satisfy College requirements can also be counted here. Foreign language instruction courses may not be used to fulfill the related field requirement. Literature, civilization, and culture classes do count toward fulfilling this requirement ................................................................. 15

Other Major hours: ........................................................................... 39

Electives
Choose electives to lead to the minimum total of 120 hours required for graduation .............................................................................................................. 4

Total Minimum hours
Required for Degree ........................................................................... 120

*Course used towards completion of a UK Core Requirement.