

**Recommended Academic Plan for History (HSTBA at Penn State Erie, The Behrend College)
Effective Summer 1988 (Review Date Spring 2001)**

Semester 1	Credits	Semester 2	Credits
First-Year Seminar	1	HIST 002 The Western Heritage II or HIST 021 American Civilization Since 1877	3
ENGL 015 (GWS) Rhetoric and Composition or ENGL 030 (GWS) Honors Freshman Composition	3	Quantification (GQ) or Natural Science (GN)**	3
HIST 001 The Western Heritage I or HIST 020 American Civilization to 1877	3	Arts (GA), Humanities (GH), or Social & Behavioral Science (GS)*	3
Quantification (GQ) or Natural Science (GN)**	3	General Education (GA, GH, or GS)	3
Foreign Language (Level One)#	4	Foreign Language (Level Two)#	4
Health and Physical Activity (GHA)	1.5		
Total Credits:	15.5	Total Credits:	16
Semester 3	Credits	Semester 4	Credits
HIST 001 The Western Heritage I or HIST 020 American Civilization to 1877	3	HIST 002 The Western Heritage II or HIST 021 American Civilization Since 1877	3
CAS 100 (GWS) Effective Speech	3	Supporting Course HIST 301W Scope and Methods of History recommended	3
ENGL 202B (GWS) Effective Writing: Writing in the Humanities	3	General Education Selection*	3
General Education Selection**	3	General Education Selection*	3
Foreign Language (Level Three)#	4	General Education Selection**	3
		Health and Physical Activity (GHA)	1.5
Total Credits:	16	Total Credits:	16.5
Semester 5	Credits	Semester 6	Credits
HIST 400-level (W course recommended)	3	HIST 400-level	3
Supporting Course HIST any level	3	BA Knowledge Domains (defined on page 2 of check sheet)	3
General Education Selection**	3	General Education Selection*	3
General Education Selection*	3	Elective	3
Bachelor of Arts Other Cultures Course	3	Elective	3
Total Credits:	15	Total Credits:	15
Semester 7	Credits	Semester 8	Credits
HIST 400-level	3	HIST 400-level	3
PL SC 400-level (See Program Notes)	3	Supporting Course HIST any level	3
BA Knowledge Domains (defined on page 2 of check sheet)	3	BA Knowledge Domains (defined on page 2 of check sheet)	3
Elective	3	Elective	3
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Total Credits:	15	Total Credits:	15

- #This requirement is governed by a placement policy dictated by the number of levels of foreign language completed prior to admission to college.
- **Bold type** indicates courses requiring a grade of C or better.
- GWS, GHA, GQ, GN, GA, GH, and GS are codes used to identify General Education requirements.
- *Students need 6 credits in GA, 6 credits in GH, and 6 credits in GS. Courses may not be taken in the area of the student's primary major.
- **Students need 6 credits in GQ and 9 credits in GN; one Natural Science (GN) course must include a laboratory component.
- US, IL, and US;IL are codes used to designate courses that satisfy University United States/International Cultures requirements.
- Both US (United States Cultures) and IL (International Cultures) must be completed within the degree requirements.
- W and Y are codes used to designate courses that satisfy University Writing Across the Curriculum requirements.

Scheduling patterns for courses not taught each semester: HIST 301W is typically taught every other year.

Program Notes: Students can double count US & IL requirements for general education courses but not for the Other Cultures requirement. Students should consider taking an internship in the summer of their second or third year. If for course credit, sign up for [HIST 495](#). See the program chair for details. Other history-related 400-level courses, such as ANTH 420, may substitute for PL SC 400-level at the discretion of the history program chair.

Academic Advising Notes: The course series listed above is only one of many possible ways to move through this curriculum. The number of electives required varies per student. Please be sure to consult with an adviser about your intended plan.