

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND HUMAN SCIENCES
BACHELOR OF ARTS IN HISTORY
OPTION IN GLOBAL/COMPARATIVE HISTORY
CHECKSHEET FOR CLASS OF 2009

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Name _____ ID# _____ E-mail _____

REQUIREMENTS FOR A HISTORY MAJOR WITH AN OPTION IN GLOBAL/COMPARATIVE HISTORY

1. Minimum of 120 semester hours.
2. Minimum of 39 hours in history (maximum of 50 hours). No more than 9 hours of these 39 may be at the 1000-level; and no 1000-level courses may count toward the major if taken after completion of 90 hours.
3. Overall GPA of 2.0 or above.
4. Completion of at least 8 courses at the 2000 or 3000 level. Of these 8 courses, 1 must be Hist 2004, **which must be passed with a B or better**; 2 courses each must be from Groups I, II, and III; and 1 course from Group IV. See the Information Sheet for History Majors for a list of the courses in Groups I,II,III, and IV.

Hist 2004 (WI) _____

Hist Group I (United States) _____

Hist Group II (Europe) _____

Hist Group III (Asia, Latin America, Middle East, Russia, Africa) _____

Hist Group IV (Science & Technology) _____

History electives (12 hours) _____

5. Complete 1 course at the 4000-level other than 4964, 4974, 4984, or 4994 (Prerequisite:2004 and 3 other hours of history; junior standing or above). _____

6. Completion of at least 12 hours of courses approved for the option; courses taken to meet this requirement may also count toward meeting requirement four. _____
 (see other side for a list of approved courses)

7. Completion of 6 hours of Undergraduate Research (4994) leading to the completion of a 25 -50 page thesis on a topic appropriate to this option. _____

8. Grade of B or better in HIST 2004 and in-major GPA of 3.0 or better. The in-major GPA is calculated using all Hist courses.

9. Completion of 2106 in a foreign language or comparable level of proficiency _____

PROGRESS TOWARD DEGREE:

The University requires every department to establish benchmarks by which their majors can demonstrate that they are making satisfactory progress toward a degree. In the case of this option these benchmarks are:

- Completion of 15 hours of history, including History 2004 by the semester in which you have attempted 72 hours.
- A GPA of 3.0 or above in all history courses by the semester in which you have attempted 96 hours.
- Completion of the Curriculum for Liberal Education by the end of the junior year.

Failure to make satisfactory progress toward a degree can result in a student's being blocked from continuing in the option.

APPROVED COURSES FOR THE OPTION IN GLOBAL/COMPARATIVE HISTORY

2124 - Critical Issues in World History	3506 - European Diplomatic History II
2184 - History of the Balkans	3514 - The Age of Exploration and Conquest
2304 - Africa in the Modern World	3544 - World War II
2345, 2346 - History of the Middle East	3554 - Age of Globalization
2355, 2356 - History of China	3584 - Colonial Latin America
2364 - History of Japan	3594 - The Rise of Modern Latin America
2375, 2376 - History of the Indian Subcontinent	3604 - Russia to Peter the Great
3084 - Recent America	3614 - Imperial Russia
3184 - History of United States Foreign Relations	3644 - Twentieth-Century Russia
3254 - The Vietnam War	3654 - The Arab-Israeli Dispute
3264 - The United States in Latin America	3684 - Cultural History of the Soviet Union and the Successor States
3324 - The Medieval World	3715 - History of Technology I
3364 - Age of Revolution	
3394 - Europe Since World War II	

CURRICULUM FOR LIBERAL EDUCATION

(See the current Curriculum for Liberal Education Handbook for approved courses)

Foreign Language _____ (3)____ (3)____
(NOTE: Three years of single language satisfies this requirement. Students who have NOT completed at least two years of a single foreign language in high school must take six hours of foreign language at Virginia Tech, and these six hours must be in addition to the 120 hours required for graduation.)

(AREA 1) Writing and Discourse - ENGL 1105-1106 or 1204H, or COMM 1015-1016 (3)____ (3)____
Writing Intensive (HIST 2004 and a 4000-level topics course) (3)____ (3)____

(AREA 2) Human Ideas, Cultural Tradition, Values _____ (3)____ (3)____
(NOTE: May be met with approved History courses)

(AREA 3) Society and Human Behavior _____ (3)____ (3)____
(NOTE: May be met with approved History courses)

(AREA 4) Scientific Reasoning & Discovery _____ (3)____ (3)____
(NOTE: Must complete 2 non-duplicating courses in single science; labs not required for major)

(AREA 5) Quantitative & Symbolic Reasoning _____ (3)____ (3)____

(AREA 6) Creativity and Aesthetic Experience _____ (3)____
(NOTE: One three-credit course required; three one-credit courses will not meet this requirement)

(AREA 7) Critical Issues in a Global Context _____ (3)____
(NOTE: May be met with an approved History course)

FREE ELECTIVES

In addition to the Option and Curriculum for Liberal Education requirements, students must complete between 45 and 63 hours of free electives to reach the 120 hours needed to graduate.