

EFFECTIVE DATE: Summer 2017

Catalog Format for New Graduate Program Proposal

Master of Arts Program in History: Online Option for Teachers

- 1) **Program Mission:** The History MA Online Option for Teachers offers a 32-hour online curriculum for advanced study of U.S. and World history from the ancient period through the modern periods. In addition to expanding their knowledge of these fields, students engage the significant historiography as well as develop their skills in research, writing, and historical thinking. The course of study includes an initial one-week, on-campus summer residency, followed by online seminars that are offered part-time to accommodate full-time teaching schedules. The degree can be completed in three years. This option does not lead to teaching licensure.
- 2) **Accreditation:** N/A
- 3) **Admission Requirements:** To be eligible for degree candidacy, applicants must meet all of the requirements for admission to the Graduate School (see “Admission to Graduate Degree and Certificate Programs”) Additional requirements include completing an application from the appropriate History Department Graduate Coordinator, and submitting to the coordinator of the MA Program in History a statement of professional goals, a curriculum vitae (resume), and three confidential letters of recommendation, including one from a current or former supervising principal or department chair. Admission to the graduate program in History requires a minor in history or its equivalent. Students must have written approval of the department prior to counting any graduate-level course (outside Eastern Illinois University’s History Department) toward graduate credit.
- 4) **Degree Audit:** The graduate plan of study is the EIU Degree Audit, which is generated automatically in the Degree Audit Reporting System (DARS) at the time of degree or certificate candidacy. Modifications of the standard EIU Degree Audit are submitted by the graduate coordinator to the certification officer in the Graduate School at the time modifications are approved. The Degree Audit serves as an unofficial summary of requirements for the program. Degree and certificate candidates are advised to review the comprehensive summary of the Degree Audit process specified on the “Requirements for All Degree and Certificate Candidates” section of the Graduate Catalog. Individual programs may require candidates to submit plans of study in addition to the

Degree Audit, candidates should consult with the program coordinator. *(Note: This is standard language included in all graduate program listings.)*

- 5) Degree Requirements: Degree requirements include those outlined for the master's degree by the Graduate School (see "[Requirements for the Master's Degree](#)"). Students must also complete the residential Summer Institute held on EIU's campus, Historiography, three proseminars, and an independent study. Additionally, students must complete all elements of the capstone (HIS 5999) that constitute the final examination process and must submit their revised independent study research project in order to be awarded the certificate of comprehensive knowledge.
 - a) Required Courses: *Total Credits: 32*
 - HIS 5001 Summer Institute in Graduate History (1 c.h.)
 - HIS 5000 Historiography (3 c.h.)
 - HIS 5800 HIS Proseminar in American History (3 c.h.)
 - HIS 5810 Proseminar in Premodern History (3 c.h.)
 - HIS 5820 Proseminar in Modern History (3 c.h.)
 - HIS 5990 Independent Study (3 c.h.)
 - HIS 5999 Capstone in Graduate History (1 c.h.)Students must also take one seminar in each area (premodern, modern, and US) (9 c.h.) plus two further seminars (6 c.h.)
- 6) Concentrations and Options *if applicable (This language is for a specific option.)*
 - a) Courses and hours specific to concentrations: N/A
- 7) Electives: Students may take two seminars (6 c.h.) in US or World (non-US) history.
- 8) Thesis, Capstone, Internship *(if applicable)*:
 - HIS 5999 Capstone in Graduate History (1 c.h.)
- 9) Graduate Assistantships *(include any specific requirements to qualify for assistantships in this program, as well as contact info ie: graduate coordinator):* N/A

APPROVALS:

Date approved by the department: September 23, 2016

Date approved by the college curriculum committee: October 19, 2016

Date approved by CGS:

Date approved by COTE: