



## MEMORANDUM

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To: Dr. Angela Jacobs, Chair, Council on Graduate Studies

Re: Request for Executive Action from the Department of History

### **Action Requested:**

Revise the language in the graduate catalog to increase elective options and to highlight the course numbering policy for the History MA Online Option for Teachers program.

### **Rationale:**

The proposed changes allow for more flexibility for students and also serve to clarify the course numbering policy.

### **Catalog Language Changes:**

#### **Degree Requirements**

Total Credit hours: 32

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.

#### **Required Courses**

Total Credit hours: 17

HIS 5001 - Summer Institute in Graduate History. Credits: 1  
HIS 5000 - Historiography. Credits: 3  
HIS 5800 - Proseminar in American History. Credits: 3  
HIS 5810 - Proseminar in Premodern History. Credits: 3

HIS 5820 - Proseminar in Modern World History. Credits: 3

HIS 59901 - Independent Study I. Credits: 1 to 6

HIS 5999 - Capstone in Graduate History. Credits: 1

### **Electives**

Total Credit hours: 9

Students must also take one seminar in each area (premodern, modern, and U.S.)

plus

Total Credit Hours: 6

Students may take two further ~~seminars~~ courses in U.S. or World (non-U.S) history. **Students may take no more than nine credit hours of courses numbered 4750-4999.**

### **Effective Year/Term:**

Fall 2020