

# Suggested Four-Year Plan of Study

## ECONOMICS, HISTORY and POLITICAL SCIENCE



### History (B.A. or B.S.)

#### FRESHMAN YEAR

<b>Fall Semester</b>		<b>15 Credits</b>
ENGL 1000	Writing I.....(3)	
HIST 1400	U.S. History I.....(3)	
HIST 1xxx	World Civilizations*.....(3)	
MATH 1700 <b>OR</b>	Applied Statistics <b>OR</b>	
MATH 1200	Finite Mathematics.....(3)	
POLS xxxx	POLS Elective.....(3)	
<b>Spring Semester</b>		<b>15 Credits</b>
ENGL 1200	Writing II.....(3)	
HIST 1500 <b>OR</b>	U.S. History II <b>OR</b>	
AMST 1800	Introduction to American Studies I.....(3)	
HIST 1xxx	World Civilizations*.....(3)	
	LA&S Elective.....(3)	
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\*Choose from HIST 1000 WC I or HIST 1100 WC II.

#### SOPHOMORE YEAR

<b>Fall Semester</b>		<b>18 Credits</b>
HIST 2021	Reading Historical Landscapes.....(3)	
HIST xxxx	History Elective.....(3)	
POLS xxxx	POLS Elective.....(3)	
	Advanced LA&S Elective.....(3)	
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<b>Spring Semester</b>		<b>15 Credits</b>
HIST 2022	Constructing History.....(3)	
HIST xxxx	History Elective.....(3)	
	Advanced LA&S Elective.....(3)	
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#### JUNIOR YEAR

<b>Fall Semester</b>		<b>15 Credits</b>
POLS xxxx	Advanced POLS Elective.....(3)	
HIST xxxx	History Elective.....(3)	
	Advanced LA&S Elective.....(3)	
	LA&S Elective.....(3)	
	Free Elective.....(3)	
<b>Spring Semester</b>		<b>15 Credits</b>
HIST xxxx	History Elective.....(3)	
HIST xxxx	History Elective.....(3)	
	Advanced LA&S Elective.....(3)	
	Free Elective.....(3)	
	Free Elective.....(3)	

#### SENIOR YEAR

<b>Fall Semester</b>		<b>15 Credits</b>
HIST 4500	Senior Seminar.....(3)	
	Free Elective.....(3)	
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<b>Spring Semester</b>		<b>15 Credits</b>
	Free Electives.....(15)	

#### LA&S Elective List

- 1 AOM attribute (Art or Music)
- 1 ART attribute (the Arts)
- 3 credits HAF attribute (Health/Fitness)
- 1 HIST subject (History)
- 1 HMN attribute (Human Behavior)
- 1 LAB attribute (Lab Science)
- 1 LIT attribute (Literature)

#### Advanced LA&S Options Area

Review the three options with your advisor and submit your decision to the Registrar's Office by completion of 60 credits. Candidates must have a minor in another discipline. Courses taken to meet the LA&S Advanced Options Requirement may be applied toward the minor.

**Completion of 120 credits required for graduation.**

#### Global Diversity Area

Two courses taken must meet the Global Diversity requirement: GDAN course + (GDC or GDCN course) **OR** GDCN course + (GDA or GDAN course). These courses are allowed to satisfy this requirement and another requirement at the same time.

**Bachelor of Arts students** required to have foreign language proficiency at the intermediate level.

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# HISTORY (B.A. or B.S.) Information Sheet



*If you are interested in an education that makes it possible to understand the present through knowledge of the past, Fitchburg State University has the program you need. A degree in **History** prepares students for careers in teaching and public history as well as for advanced degree programs in history, library science, law and public policy.*

## History at a Glance

9 full-time faculty • 2 minors including Secondary Education (licensure and non-licensure tracks)

Students acquire an understanding of the diversity of human experience in the past, a command of the historical development and context of important issues, events, institutions and ideas as well as the ability to apply varied approaches to and methods of historical study.

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- Preparation to synthesize information from various sources and disciplines to think across disciplinary boundaries

## How will you engage/what will you do as a student of history?

- Simulations including The Constitutional Convention of 1787: Constructing the American Republic and Constantine and the Council of Nicaea Defining Orthodoxy and Heresy in Christianity, 325 CE
- Student teaching in area middle and secondary schools
- Conferences, including undergraduate research symposiums
- Game design and collaboration with non-profit organizations

## What can you do with a Bachelor's Degree in History?

- Business —research and analysis, marketing
- Digital archives
- Editing
- Graduate School
- Government and public policy
- Library science
- Non-profit organizations
- Teaching in middle and high schools (public and private)
- Professional writing
- Public history

## Are there opportunities for involvement outside the classroom?

- Phi Alpha Theta- History Honors Society

## Why study History at Fitchburg State?

- University focus on teaching
- Small class sizes
- Courses taught by full-time faculty experts
- Individualized attention
- Wide variety of course offerings rivaling much larger universities while maintaining low student-to-faculty ratios
- Secondary Education programming accredited by Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP/NCATE)

## What makes the History program distinctive?

- Acquisition of an ability to pose significant research questions and locate, evaluate and use evidence from multiple sources to support persuasive arguments
- Development of a wide range of critical thinking and analytical skills
- Ability to analyze evidence, summarize and take part in debates and to develop and support arguments

