

Recommended Academic Plan for History (HSTBA at Penn State Behrend)

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	General Education (GA, GH, or GS)*	3
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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	HIST 301 Scope and Methods of History	3
ENGL 202B (GWS) Effective Writing: Writing in the Humanities	3	General Education Selection*	3
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Foreign Language (Level Three)#	4	General Education Selection**	3
		Health and Physical Activity (GHA)	1.5
Total Credits:	16		16.5
Semester 5	Credits	Semester 6	Credits
HIST 400-level (W recommended)	3	HIST 400-level (W recommended)	3
HIST any level	3	BA Knowledge Domains	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***	3	HIST any level	3
BA Knowledge Domains	3	BA Knowledge Domains	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.
- ***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.
- 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; these courses may not be used to fulfill the Other Cultures requirement.
- W is the code used to designate courses that satisfy University Writing Across the Curriculum requirements. One W course is required.

Scheduling patterns for courses not taught each semester:

Program Notes: 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.

Academic Advising Notes: