Curriculum Change Proposal Form

Unit proposing the change: History Department

Please check all that apply:

| □ Changes to academic major or minor; course titles, descriptions, number changes within level; prerequisites | X Course additions, cross-listings or deletions; course level changes; change in course credit hours; change in grading S/U to A-F and A-F to S/U  
Requires:* Dept. Chair or Program Coord. Signature(s)  
(Copy to Div. Chair.)  
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(Copy to Div. Chair) AND Division Discussion and Signature. |
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| □ Student-designed majors, non-credit workshops.  
Requires:* Dept. Chair or Program Coord. Signature(s)  
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(copied to Div. Chair) AND Division Discussion and Signature. | □ Statements of academic philosophy or policy; additions or deletions of majors, minors, or other programs; degree requirements; additions, deletions, or change of category for Gen Ed courses.  
Requires:* Dept. Chair or Program Coord. Signature(s)  
(Copy to Div. Chair) AND Division Discussion and Signature. |
| □ Special courses or credit workshops.  
Requires:* Dept. Chair or Program Coord. Signature(s)  
(Copy to Div. Chair) AND Division Discussion and Signature. | □ Other (Explain in 1 below)  
See VPAA for details regarding approval requirements. |

*Required prior to submission to the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee  
NOTE: See APAP section 110 for more information regarding changes to curriculum.

1. Detailed description of the proposed change: Renumber HIST 373 The American Civil War to HIST 2xx and add to the U.S. Experience category of the Gen Ed.
2. Justification for change: As part of our effort to create more invitational courses, the department is creating a series of 200 level courses that will be open to more intellectually curious freshman, as well as sophomores and juniors. The American Civil War is a subject with broader appeal than a generic US History survey. I will be modifying the content slightly to incorporate a bit more context for studying the Civil War, and will be reducing the reading and writing requirements slightly to reflect this change in targeted audience. The course will still meet the goals of the American experience category of the LAE but will be more broadly accessible to non-majors as well as majors. The addition of these 200 level courses will require the Department to make some changes to our current major requirements, and those are in the works.
3. Proposed term of initial offering or implementation date: Fall 2015
4. As applicable, please provide or attach the following information:
   a) Course subject and number (or proposed number): HIST 2xx
   b) Course title: The American Civil War
   c) Credit hours: 3
   d) Recommended level: **FR SR**
   e) Prerequisites or other special conditions (if any): none
f) Requirements it will satisfy (major, minor, Gen Ed, licensure): major, minor (to be determined),

LAE

g) Proposed catalog description: employs a wide variety of secondary and primary sources to examine the causes, development and the consequences of the American Civil War.

h) Describe any potential impact(s) of this change, such as course prerequisites, majors/minors, interdisciplinary programs, licensure requirements, etc.: This reconfiguring of our course offerings, will require the department to make some changes in major and minor requirements. We are in discussion of those and plan to present those when they are complete.

> REQUIRED: Attach documentation of notification of affected parties. [ ]

i) Staffing considerations:

[X ] Can be taught by present staff
[ ] Will require additional staff

j) Anticipated frequency of offering:

[ ] Every semester
[X] Once a year
[ ] Alternate years

k) Resources required (facilities, equipment, supplies, library materials, etc.): no additional resources required

5. Signatures:

Department Chair or Program Coordinator: __________________________

> Please attach summary of department discussion. [ ]

Department Vote: __________________________

In favor [ ] Opposed [ ] Abstentions [ ]

Date: 11/31/14

Vice President of Graduate and Continuing Studies: (if applicable) __________________________

In favor or Opposed or Abstain (circle one)

(Please attach comments)

Date: ___/___/____

Teacher Preparation Programs [Initial Licensure]: (if applicable) __________________________

In favor or Opposed or Abstain (circle one)

(Please attach comments)

Date: ___/___/____

Division Chair: __________________________

> Please attach summary of division discussion(s). [ ]

Division Vote:

In favor ___  Opposed ___  Abstentions ___

Date: ___/___/____

Undergraduate Curriculum Committee Chair (VPAA): __________________________

Curriculum Committee Vote:

In favor ___  Opposed ___  Abstentions ___
Renumber HIST 373 The American Civil War to HIST 2xx and add it to the US Experience category of the new Gen Ed

Department discussion: The Department supports the renumbering of this course to 2xx in order to make it more invitational, attracting intellectually curious first year students, alongside sophomores and juniors. Further, we support the adding of this course to US Experience category of the new General Education requirements. It dovetails with the description of the category, offering an “understanding of the United States, its institutions, customs, culture, diversity of people and resources, and challenges facing the nation in the contemporary setting.”

Division Chair: [Signature]

➢ Please attach summary of division discussion(s). [X]

The Division was fully supportive of the History proposal. Following minimal discussion, the Division voted unanimously to approve.

Division Vote:

In favor 21  Opposed 0  Abstentions 0

Date: 11/4/2014