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**DATE:** 27 February 2015

**MEMO TO:** Clifford Brown, Chair  
(UPC Committee, DFSCAL)

**MEMO FROM:** Ben Lowe, Chair  
Department of History

**RE:** Proposal to Change the History Major College Elective Requirements

**Curriculum Change Proposal for the Major in History**

The Department of History is proposing to clarify and strengthen its non-History elective requirements. We have found that the current requirements are too broad and vague and, at times, have led to confusion on the part of the students when they plan their courses of study. The proposed changes reflect current practice and will not adversely affect time to degree. We believe that the proposed changes will encourage majors to develop more purposeful plans of study (e.g., pursuit of Minors/Certificates/Concentrations within the College), while the Grade requirement is equivalent to that which is required for History courses. The change would take effect beginning in Fall 2015 and only apply to new majors/transfers from Fall 2015 and beyond.

Areas where this change will need to be changed:

Curriculum Sheets  
History Major Flight Plan  
FAU Undergraduate Catalogue

**CURRENT REQUIREMENT**

**ARTS AND LETTERS ELECTIVES (9 credits, 3 courses)**

Majors are required to complete 9 credits in elective courses within the College of Arts and Letters, excluding courses from the Department of History.

**PROPOSED CHANGE**

**ARTS AND LETTERS ELECTIVES (9 credits, 3 courses)**

Majors are required to complete 9 credits in Upper Division (3000/4000) elective courses within the College of Arts and Letters, excluding courses from the Department of History. A grade of "C" or better in each of these courses is required in order to complete this requirement. Additional language courses exceeding that which is required for the History Major at the Lower Division (2000-level) may also count toward fulfilling the requirement.

<b>Approved by:</b>	<b>Date:</b>
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