

UMBC UGC Program Changes & Other Request: History Minor

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Specifics (see instructions):

We want to make some changes to the Required Courses for the history minor. Here is the current applicable language from the Undergraduate catalog:

Required Courses (6 credits)

Select one course from each sequence:

HIST 110 - Western Civilization to 1700 (3.00)

HIST 111 - Western Civilization 1700 to the Present (3.00)

HIST 101 - American History to 1877 (3.00)

HIST 102 - American History, 1877 to the Present (3.00)

Elective Courses (12 credits)

At least 9 of these credits must be selected from 300- or 400-level history courses. No grade lower than a "C" in any course will be counted toward the minor.

The new policy would be:

Here is the updated language for the Required courses in the Undergraduate catalog:

Required Courses (6 credits)

Select two courses numbered below 300, with 3 credits in United States history and 3 credits in non-U.S. history.

Elective Courses (12 credits)

All 12 credits must be from courses numbered 200 or higher, with at least 9 credits from 300- or 400-level history courses.

No grade lower than a "C" in any course will be counted toward the minor.

Rationale (see instructions):

The department has adjusted its lower-level required courses for the History Major to stress skills and provide flexibility; this change will make the lower-level requirements for the History Minor match the History Major. Providing flexibility for required lower-level courses in the History Minor, and ensuring that all electives in the History Minor will come from 200-, 300-, and 400-level courses will expose students to a broader variety of historical narratives while continuing to provide rigor and practice in historical thinking, research, and writing skills.

