

How to...

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become a history major

The History Major in a nutshell:

6 units of 100 and 200 level courses
15 units of 300 and 400 level courses
21 units in total... about 1/3 of your degree, leaving room for... languages... double majors... electives... secret interests in organic chemistry...

First history myth to debunk:

Many students *think* that they've already declared their history major just by indicating an interest on their intake form.

Steps to declaring a Major:

1. Complete a minimum of 12 units (8 courses).
2. Fill out an RDP (that's Record of Degree Program) form - find it at (web.uvic.ca/advising under Forms) and take it to Advising
3. Presto! You're declared. Now, what to take... (see over.)

Note: while you still need (a) 6.0 units (4 courses) of lower-level history and (b) the Academic Writing Requirement to *graduate*, you no longer need to complete these before *declaring*.

**DIVE INTO THE PAST.
SHAPE THE
FUTURE.**

What's behind the slogan?

► Check out our video on youtube.

Benefits to declaring early:

- ✓ eligibility for departmental scholarships
- ✓ save time by knowing and fulfilling your requirements
- ✓ declared majors have an advantage during course registration

planning courses...

a worksheet for majors

**HIST OR
HSTR?**

As of May 2014, we changed our prefix from HIST to HSTR, and most courses were **renumbered** at the same time. The course listings in the current calendar use the new numbers. You can double-check new numbers for courses already taken on the History department website.

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| 100s or 200s: minimum 4 courses (6 units) | 1. | 2. | 3. | 4. |
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| 300s or 400s: min. 10 courses (15 units). <u>Shading:</u> min. 4 courses (6 units) and max. 8 (12 units) must be in a single area of interest* | 1. | 2. | 3. | 4. |
| | 5. | 6. | 7. | 8. |
| | 9. | 10. | | |
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*Areas of interest = American, British, Canadian, European, Asian, World/Comparative

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| Try to include, in the above, at least 1 course that meets each of the suggested requirements: | Early History: | Non-Western: | Seminar: |
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