

## HISTORY MAJORS (Suggested Associate in Arts Degree Curriculum)

This worksheet is designed to help students select courses which are likely to apply to a major in **HISTORY**. These suggested courses satisfy requirements in the Associate in Arts degree program at Prairie State College and provide the basis for transferring to a four-year institution. This program meets the guidelines of the **IAI (Illinois Articulation Initiative) Baccalaureate Major Panel for History**. Students should obtain a copy of the Prairie State College **Associate in Arts Degree Worksheet** and should visit the IAI website at [www.iTransfer.org](http://www.iTransfer.org) for more information.

This transfer program is designed for students pursuing a baccalaureate degree in various areas of history. The history curriculum at Prairie State College provides students with the background in history and general education courses necessary for advanced work at a four-year institution. Students are strongly encouraged to complete the Associate in Arts Degree prior to transfer.

### SUGGESTED CURRICULUM

*Each senior institution has its own transfer policies. Therefore, we cannot guarantee the accuracy of this information in regard to every individual school. Consult the school of your choice and/or the Prairie State College Advising Center to discuss the transferability of courses.*

#### TRANSFERABLE GENERAL EDUCATION CORE (37-38 credits)

##### Area A: Communications (9 credits)

ENG 101 (3)	[C1 900]*	Composition I (Prereq. ENG 099, C or better, or qualifying score on English Placement Test)
ENG 102 (3)	[C1 901R]*	Composition II (Prereq. ENG 101, C or better)
COMM 101(3)	[C2 900]	Principles of Communication (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)

*\*Must have a C or better in ENG 101 & 102 to receive credit for the degree.*

##### Area B: Humanities and Fine Arts (9 credits)

Select three courses with at least one course selected from the humanities area and one course from the fine arts area. Refer to the Associate in Arts Degree Worksheet, Area B, for a listing of approved course choices.

Humanities Course (3)	Select any Area B Humanities Course (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)
Fine Arts Course (3)	Select any Area B Fine Arts Course (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)
Humanities/Fine Arts Course (3)	Select any Area B Course (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)

##### Area C: Mathematics (3 credits)

MATH 112 (3)	[M1 904]	General Education Mathematics (Prereq. MATH 095 & 096 with C or better <b>OR</b> MATH 095 and high school geometry, both with C or better <b>OR</b> qualifying score on Math Placement Test)
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**OR**

MATH 115 (3)	[M1 902]	General Education Statistics (Prereq. MATH 095 & 096 with C or better <b>OR</b> MATH 095 and high school geometry, both with C or better <b>OR</b> qualifying score on Math Placement Test)
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##### Area D: Physical and Life Sciences (7-8 credits)

Select one life science course and one physical science course. One course must have a lab component. Refer to the Associate in Arts Degree Worksheet, Area D, for a listing of approved course choices.

Life Science Course (3-4)	Select any Area D Life Science Course (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)
Physical Science Course (3-4)	Select any Area D Physical Science Course (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)

##### Area E: Social and Behavioral Sciences (9 credits)

Select three courses in at least two different disciplines. Refer to the Associate in Arts Degree Worksheet, Area E, for a listing of approved course choices.

Social/Behavioral Sci Course (3)	Select any Area E Social/Behav Sci Course. (GEOG 101 recommended for Illinois teacher certification)
Social/Behavioral Sci Course (3)	Select any Area E Social/Behav Sci Course (POLSC 140 recommended for Illinois teacher certification)
Social/Behavioral Sci Course (3)	Select any Area E Social/Behav Sci Course (PSYCH 101 recommended for Illinois teacher certification)

#### HISTORY MAJOR COURSE RECOMMENDATIONS (24-25 credits)

*(Check with the school to which you plan to transfer to verify transferability of these courses for this major)*

Select 24-25 credits from the “suggested” course recommendations listed below:

**Suggested IAI History Core courses:**

HIST 201(3)\* [S2 900] U.S. History: 1492 to 1877 (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)  
HIST 202(3)\* [S2 901] U.S. History: 1877 to Present (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)

and select ONE of the following sequences depending on recommendations at the intended transfer school:

HIST 111 (3)\* [S2 912N] World History: Origins to 1714 (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)  
HIST 112 (3)\* [S2 913N] World History: 1714 to Present (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)

**OR**

HIST 151 (3)\* [S2 902] History of Western Civilization I (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)  
HIST 152 (3)\* [S2 903] History of Western Civilization II (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)

*\*Note: Since schools divide historical periods differently across courses, students should complete course sequences at the same school.*

**Other suggested elective courses often include:**

Additional history courses, (such as third world or non-Western civilization) may transfer either for history major credit or as general education credits, depending upon the transfer school.

Minor Field: Students who have decided on a minor field may complete one or more courses in a minor.

High School Teacher Certification: Students planning to seek high school teacher certification may complete one or more of the following professional education courses, depending upon transfer school.

ED 100 (3) Foundations of American Public Education (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)  
PSYCH 102 (3) Human Growth & Development: Life Span (Prereq. PSYCH 101)  
PSYCH 202 (3) Educational Psychology (Prereq. PSYCH 101)

**Other suggested courses that satisfy the PSC AA degree requirements may include electives such as:**

Any additional general education courses selected from Areas B, C, D, or E

Any entry level majors course in a transferable major area

Any foreign language courses\*

Up to four credits of physical education courses

Additional courses recommended as transferable by the school to which you plan to transfer.

*\*Foreign Language Requirement: Some universities have a foreign language requirement. Generally, four years of a single foreign language in high school, or four semesters in college, will fulfill this requirement. It is recommended that students complete the entire sequence at one institution.*

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## 62 CREDITS REQUIRED FOR AN ASSOCIATE IN ARTS DEGREE

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**FOR TRANSFER INFORMATION:**

u.select, formerly known as Course Applicability System (CAS): [www.transfer.org](http://www.transfer.org)

Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI): [www.iTransfer.org](http://www.iTransfer.org)

Links to Articulation Tables for Illinois Colleges: <http://www.itransfer.org/IAI/Other/Articulationlinks.taf>

Visit the web sites of colleges and universities to which you plan to transfer.

**FOR CAREER INFORMATION:**

Occupational Outlook Handbook, U.S. Department of Labor: <http://www.bls.gov/oco/home.htm>

American Association of Museums: <http://www.aam-us.org>

American Association of University Professors: <http://www.aaup.org>

Employment opportunities: [www.collegecentral.com/prairiestate](http://www.collegecentral.com/prairiestate)