HISTORY TEACHING EMPHASIS Advising Tips

The Basics of Majoring in History (Teaching Emphasis):

- Students must complete 45 credit hours
- Students must complete a teaching minor in a field other than history
- Students must take the pre-major courses and earn 3.0 GPA in those courses
- Students must maintain a 2.75 cumulative GPA to graduate in history

How to get started:

- Meet your history advisor, Amanda Adison (amanda.adison@usu.edu), 435-797-3883, TSC #302
- Attend History Department events (stop in Old Main 323 to sign up for notifications)
- Enroll in courses in the pre-major and complete the courses with at least a 3.0 GPA

Courses in the pre-major:

1) History/Political Science Courses (7) — must have a C+ or better
   - HIST 1100 and HIST 1110
   - HIST 1500 and HIST 1510
   - HIST 2700 and HIST 2710
   - POLS 1100

2) General Education Courses (2) — choose from the list below:
   - ANTH 1010, 1020 or 1030
   - ENGL 2200
   - ENVS 2340
   - GEOG 1300 or 1400
   - HIST/ANTH/ENGL 2210
   - PHIL 1000, 1250 or 2200
   - POLS 1100 or 2300
   - RELS 1100
   - SOC 1010

How to declare your major and complete your degree:

- See your history advisor to declare the major formally (requires a 3.0 GPA)
- Choose a minor in an area for which teaching licensure can be granted (see: https://teal.usu.edu/htm/undergraduate-programs/seced/ifi)
- Choose a degree – Bachelor’s of Arts – requires foreign language competency
  Bachelor’s of Science – requires specific coursework in Math and Science
- Complete 7 upper-division history courses (3000/4000 level) [21 credits]
- Complete the College of Education’s STEP program
- Complete a Senior Capstone course (HIST 4860 or 4870)
- Maintain a 2.75 overall GPA for graduation

Why a History Teaching Major??

- Great Opportunities—internships, events, scholarships, interesting classes!
- Possible membership in a national history honorary, Phi Alpha Theta
- Excellent job prospects in K-12, business, museums, heritage organizations, etc.

INFORMATION ON THE WEB: see History’s home page: http://history.usu.edu/