FAYETTEVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY HONORS PROGRAM
DEPARTMENT OF GOVERNMENT AND HISTORY

B.A. in HISTORY
B. S. in SOCIAL STUDIES (Concentration: History)
B. S. in MIDDLE GRADES (Concentration: History)
B.S. in ELEMENTARY EDUCATION (Concentration: History)

PROPOSAL FOR HONORS CREDIT BY CONTRACT FORM

ELIGIBILITY FOR HONORS BY CONTRACT

The purpose of the Honors Program in History is to allow exceptionally talented, ambitious, curious, and motivated students to do independent research and scholarship in the field of History and to introduce participants in the program to the rigors and challenges associated with graduate study. The program will facilitate students to:

- Add distinction to their historical studies by engaging in advanced work beyond that required of other students in the courses,

- Inspire other students to go beyond the ordinary benchmarks of the curriculum; these students will not only lead by example but could serve as another tool in the classroom by facilitating study groups and applying to be Supplemental Instructors,

- Further develop their research, critical thinking, and writing skills evidenced in a written product, therefore, making them more marketable in terms of graduate and professional school applications and admissions and in the modern post-industrial economy,

- Develop experience “doing” history as opposed to merely “studying” history,

- Receive special distinction at graduation and to have “completed honors in the major program” recorded on transcripts and diplomas after meeting all requirements of the program.

Eligibility Requirements and Application Procedures

1. Complete an application and gain acceptance into Fayetteville State University’s Honors Program.

2. Complete one semester at FSU with a minimum of 12 credit hours and hold a 3.2 GPA or above; transfer students may transfer in more than 60 semester credit hours but still must complete the degree program required hours.
3. Submit an application to the Government and History Department Coordinator for the Honors in History Program. Applications will be accepted in the spring semester with the program starting the following fall semester. The Honors in the History program is open to students pursuing the B.A. History, the B.S. in Social Studies (History concentration), B.S. in Middle Grades (History Concentration), and the B.S. in Elementary Education (History Concentration).

4. Letters of Recommendation: Students must have two letters in their application packets: one self-nomination letter and one faculty-nomination letter.

5. Admission is based on student’s demonstrated Honors potential

Earning and Maintaining the Honors in History Distinction

Students in the Honors Track must complete the requirements for the Honors Program. To graduate with Honors in History distinction, a student must maintain a 3.0 cumulative GPA and the following:

1. Complete 3 hours from GEOG 220 or SOCI 150H as a learning community and 3 hours from HIS 110 or HIS 120.

2. Complete 9*-12 credit hours of History Honors in the Major courses in addition to the HIS 110 and HIS 120 courses. *Students who are Elementary Education majors must complete 9 credit hours of History Honors in the concentration courses.

3. Complete 21-24 hours of honors credit in consultation with the Honors Coordinator in the major. Three hours (3) must be GEOG220 (World Regional Geography-Divers Global) or SOCI150 (The Global Society, our Honors Learning Community courses. Three hours may come from HUMN211 Humanities I; HUMN212 (Humanities II); HIST110 (World History to 1600); HIST120 (World History Since 1600); ENGL 211 (World Literature I); ENGL212 (World Literature II); or SPEE 200 (Introduction to Speech). Eighteen hours (18) must be honors credits (not listed here) in the academic major.

4. Complete a major independent research project in the HIS 490 (Senior Seminar) course which can be presented at a professional/historical conference open to undergraduate research projects and/or a department/college/university-convened intellectual panel for undergraduate presentations.
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Department Approval

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Honors Program Approval

Date _______________________________