# Program Proposal

## Form B

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<th>Department Chair:</th>
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<td>Christopher Castaneda</td>
<td>Lee Simpson (Director of Public History program)</td>
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## Type of Program Proposal:

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**PLEASE NOTE:** Form B is to be used only as a Cover Form. Additional information is requested for each of the above as noted in the corresponding procedure in the Policies and Procedures for Initiation, Modification, Review and Approval of Courses and Academic Programs found at [http://www.csus.edu/acaf/univmanual/index.htm](http://www.csus.edu/acaf/univmanual/index.htm)
Briefly describe the program proposal (new or change) and provide a justification.

The Department of History wishes to make the following changes in its Master of Arts in Public History program. These changes in the required course offerings are designed to achieve two purposes: 1) To allow the Public History program to accommodate new course offerings in the Standard Program, where the course offerings for the two programs overlap, and 2) to create a new and explicitly theoretical grounding for the Public History curriculum. Justifications for individual courses are included in the relevant course change forms. This revamped Public History program would be a non-substantive change because it would not increase or decrease the required units for the History M.A., it carries no supplemental funding request, and it has no identified fiscal or programmatic impact on another unit’s offerings.

Proposed changes:

1. Cease to require Hist 201, the European historiography seminar (this course is being terminated, as explained in the plan for our new Standard History program).

2. Require students to take one of two new theoretical seminars: either HIST 200 “History and Theory” or HIST 282F “History and Memory”

3. Rename existing History 202 from “Seminar in American Historiography” to “Interpreting U.S. History” to better reflect contemporary practice (also being changed for the Standard History program).

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### NEW PROGRAM (30 units)

#### A. Required Courses (12 units)

(3) Select one of the following:

- HIST 200* History and Theory
- HIST 282F* History and Memory

(9) Take all of the following:

- HIST 202* Interpreting U.S. History
- HIST 203* Public History Principles and Techniques
- HIST 282A* Research Seminar in Public History

#### B. Electives (12 units)

(12) Select four of the following, but no more than one seminar from the HIST 281 series can be included as a Public History program elective:

- HIST 281A-Z* Reading Seminar in U.S. History
- HIST 282B* Archives and Manuscripts
- HIST 282C* Oral History
- HIST 282D* Museum Studies
- HIST 282E* Historic Preservation
- HIST 282Z* Special Topics in Public History

#### C. Internship Requirement (9 units)

(9) Enroll in HIST 295 for the first and second semester of the internship and enroll in HIST 297 for the third semester of internship.

- HIST 295* History Internship
- HIST 297* Advanced Internship (HIST 295)

* **Prerequisite:** graduate standing or permission of instructor.

#### D. Culminating Requirement (3 units)

Students complete either a master's thesis or master's project under the guidance of the Public History faculty. Students will make an oral presentation and defense of their thesis/project before a committee of at least two faculty members including the director of the MA thesis/project.

- HIST 500 Culminating Experience (Advancement to candidacy)

- Students may not enroll in HIST 500 until all "Incomplete" grades received up to that point are completed. Students who receive "Incomplete" grades in course work after enrolling in HIST 500 will not receive final approval on thesis or examination until a passing grade has been assigned to incomplete course work.

### OLD PROGRAM (30 units)

#### A. Required Courses (12 units)

- HIST 201* Seminar in European Historiography
- HIST 202* Seminar in American Historiography
- HIST 203* Public History Principles and Techniques
- HIST 282A* Research Seminar in Public History

#### B. Electives (12 units)

(12) Select four of the following, but no more than one seminar from the HIST 281 series can be included as a Public History program elective:

- HIST 281A-Z* Reading Seminar in U.S. History
- HIST 282B* Archives and Manuscripts
- HIST 282C* Oral History
- HIST 282D* Museum Studies
- HIST 282E* Historic Preservation
- HIST 282Z* Special Topics in Public History

#### C. Internship Requirement (9 units)

- HIST 295* History Internship
- HIST 297* Advanced Internship (HIST 295)

* **Prerequisite:** graduate standing or permission of instructor.

#### D. Culminating Requirement (3 units)

Students complete either a master's thesis or master's project under the guidance of the Public History faculty. Students will make an oral presentation and defense of their thesis/project before a committee of at least two faculty members including the director of the MA thesis/project.

- HIST 500 Culminating Experience (Advancement to candidacy)

- Students may not enroll in HIST 500 until all "Incomplete" grades received up to that point are completed. Students who receive "Incomplete" grades in course work after enrolling in HIST 500 will not receive final approval on thesis or examination until a passing grade has been assigned to incomplete course work.

### Approvals:

**Department Chair:**

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**Date:** 9/7/07

**College Dean:**

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**Date:** 9-21-07

**University Committee:**

[Signature]

**Date:**

**Associate Vice President and Dean**

**for Academic Affairs:**

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**Date:**