



Program of Study Declaration (M.A./Ph.D.)

Each student's curricular program should be determined by individual interest and a scholarly rationale, and the program should be developed in close consultation with the Primary Advisor. During the second semester of the first year of graduate study at KU, student and advisor will draft a plan for the subsequent three semesters of classes as well as recruit an additional two members of the faculty with whom the student plans to work closely. This advisory committee is expected to direct future coursework and lay the groundwork for the portfolio exam. Students will be expected to frame a program of study that includes at least two classes covering a second geographical area of study or two methods courses that will help to build a competency in a complementary discipline.

Each first-year student will submit this form to the Graduate Program Coordinator by April 15 of the second semester of their first year in the graduate program. This formulation of a research program represents the first stage in the preparation of the professional portfolio, and permits the student to develop a team of mentors who will contribute materially to the course of study.

Student: _____ Date: _____

Program of Study: Please describe the areas of history with which you intend to engage in coursework and research. You should consider the geographical, thematic, and chronological fields of study that will orient your graduate career. Attach a one-page description of how these research interests fit together. You should think of this framework in terms of preparing for the portfolio exam, in other words, of laying the groundwork for engaging in a discussion of your place as a scholar.

Geographical: _____

Thematic: _____

Chronological: _____

Outside* _____

*Another discipline or geographical area of study, generally, in which you intend to pursue coursework.

Advisory Committee:

Primary Advisor: Name: _____ Signature: _____

Second Reader: Name: _____ Signature: _____

Member 3: Name: _____ Signature: _____

