University of Oregon English Department Comics and Cartoon Studies Minor

This interdisciplinary Comic Studies minor presents students with an international, historical, and critical perspective on the art of comics, from editorial cartoons to comic books to graphic novels. Comics combine images with words in a unique way in order to communicate, inform, and emotionally engage the viewer/reader. The effects of this combination are unlimited, running the gamut from the subtle to the slapstick; and the kinds of stories that can be told in comics are also unlimited, ranging from the humorous to the tragic, and from the fantastic to the documentary. In taking classes for this minor, students will be required to think outside of accustomed disciplinary boundaries, and to analyze and experiment with the interaction of both visual and linguistic systems of meaning.

Requirements for the Minor:

- 1) To qualify for the minor, students must take 24 credits of approved courses:
 - a. Including mandatory course: ENG 280 Introduction to Comics Studies
- 2) The remaining courses may be selected from the range of comics-related courses offered through Art, Art History, Arts Administration, Comparative Literature, East Asian Languages and Literatures, English, Ethnic Studies, Journalism, and Romance Languages.
 - a. For details regarding these classes, students should consult the list of course offerings available in the Department of English Office or at http://comics.uoregon.edu.
- 3) All course work must be passed with a grade of mid-C or better.
- 4) Only two courses taken for the Minor may be used to fulfill any other minor or major.
- 5) All upper-division coursework for the Minor must be taken in residency at the University of Oregon.
- 6) No more than 12 credits may be taken in lower-division courses.
- 7) Students must declare the Minor by filling out an <u>online form</u>: or by stopping in the English Department, PLC 118, (541) 346-1500.

Not all of the above courses are offered every academic year. A list of the available courses (including any special topics courses not listed above) for a given academic year is available in the English Department, 118 PLC and online on the Comics and Cartoon Studies website, http://comics.uoregon.edu. Find attached worksheet to track your progress in the Comics and Cartoon Studies Minor. Direct inquiries to the English Department office, (541) 346-3911

University of Oregon English Department Comics and Cartoon Studies Minor Worksheet

CSSE Minor COURSE INFORMATION List the courses you have, or will have, completed by your anticipated graduation date. COURSE COURSE CRN TITLE CREDIT **TERM GRADE SUBJECT HOURS NUMBER** Mandatory -1) ENG 280 1) 2) 20 Credits no 3) more than 12 lower division 4) 5) 6)

