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The Department of History supports the previous statement made by Senator Popke regarding changes at the College level. We see an important role for HCAS in fostering leadership among students and faculty alike, and history is an integral part of the HCAS family. Even though most of my colleagues might argue that history is indeed part of the humanities, for all intents and purposes it is a social science at ECU and has benefited from its partnership with HCAS, which depends upon history to promote a sound liberal arts education within a single College. Let's maintain that commitment and send a positive message about foundations education and research here in eastern North Carolina by keeping History in the Harriot College of Arts and Sciences and <u>not</u> moving it to the College of Fine Arts and Communication along the lines of a Humanities and Fine Arts model.