American Studies
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Program Mission Statement: The American Studies minor prepares students to better understand American experiences through multiple disciplinary approaches to the study of culture and society by critically engaging major texts, theories, and concepts related to American Studies.

Requirements for a minor in American Studies: 20 credits of study from the following list of approved courses covering at least three departments and including at least one 300-level class. Additional topic classes may count with the coordinator’s approval.

ART 278: Indigenous Art of the Americas
CMM 336: Rhetoric of Social Movements
CMM 352: Political Communication
CMM 370: American Public Address
ENG 246: The American Experience
ENG 260: Topics in Cultural Identity: The Harlem Renaissance
ENG 260: Topics in Cultural Identity: Coming of Age in Multicultural America
ENG 300: Departmental Studies: Gender and Sexuality in 20th-Century American Literature
ENG 300: Departmental Studies: The Lost Generation
ENG 324: Period Studies: Modernism
ENG 340/WOM 300: Major Author, Toni Morrison
ENG 340/WOM 300: Major Author, Zora Neale Hurston
HIS 241: The United States, 1776-1876
HIS 242: The United States, 1877-1980
HIS 262: American Race Relations
HIS 263/WOM 202: Women in American History
HIS 264: Immigration and Ethnicity in American History
HIS 347: Slavery and Civil War
HIS 360: Topics in African American History
HIS 370: Topics in American Social and Cultural History: Film
HIS 371: American Lives: Biographical and Autobiographical Approaches to American History
HIS 372: Topics in Twentieth Century American History
HIS 375: United States and Latin America
IDS 150: Fisk: Race and Diversity in the 21st Century
MUS 112: Topics: American Music in the Twentieth Century
MUS 112: Topics: Jazz History
MUS 200: Music and War
MUS 333: History of Twentieth-Century Musical Styles
PHL 326: History of Philosophy: From the Enlightenment to the Present
POL 220: American Politics and Government
POL 320: Topics in American Politics
POL 322: Media, Politics, and Personal Power
POL 323: Interest Group Politics
POL 324: Campaigns and Elections
POL 331: American Political Thought
2. Courses of Study

POL 335: Congress and the Presidency
POL 343: U.S. National Security Policy
POL 346: Morality and Public Policy
POL 381: United States Foreign Policy
POL 385: Terrorism and Intelligence
POL 412: Constitutional Law I: Landmark Decisions
POL 413: Constitutional Law II: The Bill of Rights
REL 235: Religious Models of Servant Leadership: Mohandas Gandhi & Martin Luther King Jr.
REL 330/HIS 300: Religion in American History
SOC 201: Social Problems
SOC 204: Sociology of Jobs and Work
SOC 210: Special Topics: Consumer Culture
SOC 301: Social Movements
SOC 304: Sociology of Inequalities
SOC 306: Criminology
SOC 309: Sociology of Religion
WOM 202: Introduction to Women’s and Gender Studies