

# ETHNIC STUDIES CONCENTRATION

The Ethnic Studies Concentration is a liberal arts interdisciplinary program, focusing on the study of race, ethnicity, and indigeneity within the broader context of inclusion and diversity. Concentrators study the historical socio-cultural experiences and perspectives of United States ethnically and racially marginalized communities. Designed to increase the understanding of historically underrepresented racial/ethnic social groups, at the intersection of gender and social class, the program aims at preparing students to work and live successfully as good citizens in a diverse and globalized society.

Students completing the Ethnic Studies concentration will,

- Apply Ethnic Studies principles and theories to personal, organizational, and community settings.
- Demonstrate ability to interact meaningfully and build effective relationships with individuals and groups across differences, through community projects.
- Demonstrate ability to engage the ways that race, as a system of domination, is intimately tied to issues of gender, class, sexuality, migration, or indigeneity.
- Conduct logical arguments utilizing evidence and texts, both in writing and verbally
- Use critical and creative thinking to solve problems.
- Demonstrate ability to use appropriate language and behavior while interacting across differences, in writing and verbally.
- Understand and explain how structures of domination and acts of resistance are created.

## Ethnic Studies Concentration Requirements

**Choose One Introductory Course from the following:**

LCS/WGS 250	Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies	3
LCS 270	Introduction to Cultural Studies	3
LCS/HIS 282	Introduction to American Studies	3

**Electives: Students choose 5 courses from the list below, one of which must be at the 400 level**

COM/SOC 359	The Sociological Imagination: What We See When We Watch T.V.	3
HIS 366	Race in America	3
LCS 357	Studies in Ethnic Literature of the United States	3
LCS 378	African American Studies	3
LCS 379	Asian American Studies	3
LCS 380	Latin American Studies	3
LCS 381	Native American Studies	3
LCS 466	Women and the Creative Imagination	3
SOC 453	Race and Ethnicity	3
SOC 454	Social Theory: The Study of Isms and Phobias	3

Note: SOC 251 prerequisite will be waived on a case-by-case basis

A minimum of 18 credit hours is required for the concentration.