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Minor in Ethnic Studies

Creating Systems of Liberation for Ourselves & Our Communities

About Ethnic Studies

Ethnic Studies is the interdisciplinary study of the histories, experiences, cultures, and issues of racial and ethnic groups in the United States. At its core, the field examines race and racism, paying close attention to the ways systemic power is created and maintained through institutions, cultural practices, and societal structures. While our focus is on communities within the U.S., we also recognize that race and racism are global in scope and encourage connections across borders.

What You'll Gain

Studying Ethnic Studies provides students with:

- A deep understanding of racial-ethnic diversity and histories.
- Indigenous and liberatory education.
- Insights into community and identity formation.
- Appreciation of culture and artistic expression as forms of resistance and empowerment.
- Tools for engaging with activism and public policy to advance equity and justice.

At its heart, Ethnic Studies is about the pursuit of human freedom, dignity, and social justice. Our program prepares students not only for academic success but also for meaningful participation in their communities and careers.

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A minimum of 12 units of coursework are required for an Ethnic Studies minor, 6 units of which must be at the 3000 level or above. Students self-design the minor in consultation with Ethnic Studies faculty. Please consult with an Ethnic Studies faculty member or SSE advisor for specific programmatic details or to craft a plan of study.

Required

ETHS 1208 Introduction to Ethnic Studies (3)

Select 3 units from the following approved courses: (3)

ETHS 1308	Intr	00	duc	tion	to	Asian	American	and	Pacific

Islander Studies

ETHS 1408 Introduction to Black Studies
ETHS 1508 Introduction to Chicana/o/x Studies
ETHS 1608 Introduction to Native American

and Indigenous Studies

Electives*

Select 6 units from the approved courses listed below, or courses approved by request from the department chair of Ethnic Studies (6):

Asian American Studies Upper Division Courses

ETHS 3340 Filipinos & the Farmworker Movement

Black Studies Upper Division Courses

ETHS 3420 Afrofuturism: in Search of the Black Fantastic ETHS 3430 The History and Influence of Rap Music and

HipHop Culture

Chicana/o/x Studies and Latina/o/x Upper Division Courses

ETHS 3510 Chicana/o/x & Latina/o/x in Higher Education

ETHS 3520 Racialized Labor

ETHS 3530 Migrations and Diasporas ETHS 4520 Bodies, Borders, and Genders

Critical Pacific Islands & Oceania Studies Upper Division Courses

ETHS 3310 Climate Justice & Environmental Racism ETHS 3320 NH/PI Youth & Community Activism

Native American and Indigenous Studies Upper Division Courses

ETHS 3610 Native American and Indigenous Peoples of

the Americas

ETHS 4610 Indigenous Feminisms

General Ethnic Studies Upper Division Courses

ETHS 3220 Introduction to Queer and Trans Ethnic Studies

ETHS 3230 Race, Gender, and Sexuality in Horror

Total Units 12

*Only a sample of upper-division courses is shown above. For the full selection, see the course catalog.



We also offer two additional minors: Queer Ethnic Studies and Feminist Ethnic Studies. For more courses, please see the course catalog

