

AMERICAN STUDIES

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Program Description: The American Studies Program seeks to prepare graduates with the knowledge and skills to bring critical insights to the study of the American experience in all its diversity, past and present. Faculty members aim to stimulate critical and creative thinking through interdisciplinary and comparative study with attention to transnational issues and current theoretical frameworks.

Web Contact/Information: Additional information about this department may be found at <http://www2.creighton.edu/ccas/americanstudies>. However, for definitive details, students are strongly encouraged to check the University's website for Bulletin changes: <http://www.creighton.edu/Registrar>.

PROGRAM IN AMERICAN STUDIES

Specific Requirements for Admission to the American Studies Major: Successful completion of AMS 307 Introduction to American Studies with a grade of "C" or better.

B. A., Major in American Studies: 30 Credits

Course Requirements

(All of the following:)

AMS 307	Introduction to American Studies	3 credits
AMS 308	Theories and Methods in American Studies	3 credits
AMS 491	Senior Seminar	3 credits

(Two courses from three of the following groups:)

American Fine and Performing Arts

AMS 353	Jazz in American Culture	3 credits
AMS 384	History of American Architecture	3 credits
AMS 385	Survey of American Art	3 credits
AMS 387	Modern Hispanic Art History	3 credits
AMS 426	The West of the Imagination	3 credits
AMS 467	History of The Art of Spain and Her Colonies	3 credits
AMS 468	Native American Art	3 credits
ARH 386	History & Aesthetics of Latin American Photography	3 credits
THR 461	American Theatre History	3 credits

American History

AMS 406	German Immigrant Culture in the United States	3 credits
AMS 460	The History of Women in the United States	3 credits
AMS 469	Ethnohistorical Approaches to Native American Cultures	3 credits
AMS 482	Race in America: Idea and Reality	3 credits
HIS 108	The Native American World	3 credits
HIS 311	United States History to 1877	3 credits
HIS 312	United States History Since 1877	3 credits
HIS 355	Constitutional History of the United States Since 1877	3 credits
HIS 357	Religion in American Society to 1865	3 credits
HIS 358	Religion in American Society from 1865 to the Present	3 credits
HIS 367	The Afro-American Experience	3 credits
HIS 372	Equality, Minorities, and Public Policy	3 credits
HIS 375	The United States and Latin America	3 credits
HIS 384	Black History Through Literature	3 credits
HIS 449	The American Colonies	3 credits
HIS 450	Revolutionary America	3 credits
HIS 451	The Early American Republic	3 credits
HIS 452	The Civil War and Reconstruction	3 credits
HIS 458	The Sixties	3 credits
HIS 565	The United States and Canada	3 credits

American Literatures

AMS 312	Mass Media and Modern Culture	3 credits
AMS 329	American Literature/American Identity	3 credits
AMS 350	American Literature I: Beginnings to Civil War	3 credits
AMS 393	African-American Literature	3 credits
ENG 351	American Literature II: 1860-1914	3 credits
ENG 352	English and American Literature: 1914 to the Present	3 credits
ENG 353	Introduction to Native American Literature	3 credits
ENG 371	American Literature: Vision and Reality	3 credits
ENG 381	Literature and the Environment	3 credits
ENG 389	The Roaring Twenties	3 credits
ENG 405	The Thirties	3 credits
ENG 434	Irish-American Literature	3 credits
ENG 469	Modern American Poetry	3 credits
ENG 470	Seminar in Film Studies	3 credits
ENG 471	Modern American Drama	3 credits
ENG 473	19th-Century American Novel	3 credits
ENG 474	Modern American Novel	3 credits
ENG 475	Contemporary American Literature	3 credits

American Philosophy

AMS 317	Philosophy of Sport	3 credits
AMS 367	American Philosophy	3 credits
AMS 465	American Pragmatism	3 credits
PHL 348	Philosophy of Feminism	3 credits

American Politics

AMS 121	American Government and Politics	3 credits
AMS 325	American States and Regions	3 credits
AMS 327	Minority Politics in America	3 credits
AMS 328	Mass Media in American Politics	3 credits
AMS 335	Federal Indian Policy and Law	3 credits
AMS 339	Public Policy and Poverty in the United States	3 credits
AMS 372	Equality, Minorities, and Public Policy	3 credits
AMS 432	Democratic Theory	3 credits
AMS 437	Religion and Public Life in the United States	3 credits
PLS 322	American Presidency	3 credits
PLS 438	Contemporary Issues in Civil Liberties	3 credits

American Society and Culture

AMS 102	Introduction to Sociology: Social Problems	3 credits
AMS 301	Social and Cultural Theory	3 credits
AMS 310	Religion and Contemporary American Society	3 credits
AMS 316	Qualitative Methods in the Social Sciences	3 credits
AMS 318	Gender in American Society	3 credits
AMS 330	Museums and Social Science	3 credits
AMS 331	Indians of the Great Plains	3 credits
AMS 340	Native American Cultures and Health	3 credits
AMS 341	American Cultural Minorities	3 credits
AMS 343	Peoples and Cultures of Native North America	3 credits
AMS 345	Sport in American Culture	3 credits
AMS 355	Environment and Society: Sociological Perspectives	3 credits
AMS 358	Critical Issues in Study of North American Religions	3 credits
AMS 360	Gender, Society and Culture	3 credits
AMS 365	Issues of the Native American Experience	3 credits
AMS 411	Social Inequality and Stratification	3 credits
AMS 470	Introduction to Geographic Information Systems	3 credits
ANT 330	Museums and Social Science	3 credits
SOC 205	American Family Issues	3 credits

<i>Inquiries in American Studies</i>		
AMS 395	Selected Topics	3 credits
AMS 400	Topical Seminar in American Studies	3 credits
AMS 493	Directed Independent Readings	3 credits
AMS 497	Directed Independent Research	3 credits
AMS 585	American Studies Internship	3 credits
One additional course from any of the above groups		3 credits

AMERICAN STUDIES MINOR

Program Description: The American Studies minor complements single-disciplinary studies in American politics, society, and culture through interdisciplinary approaches that are comparative, theoretical, and transnational in scope.

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(All of the following:)

AMS 307	Introduction to American Studies	3 credits
AMS 308	Theories and Methods in American Studies	3 credits

(Two courses from two of the following groups:)

American Fine and Performing Arts

(Same list from page 120)

American History

(Same list from page 120)

American Literatures

(Same list from page 121)

American Philosophy

(Same list from page 121)

American Politics

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American Society and Culture

(Same list from page 121)

Inquiries in American Studies

(Same list from page 122)

Teacher Certification

Students who think they may teach Social Science or History in secondary schools must consult with the Education Department, with the Director of the American Studies Program, and with the appropriate agency in the state in which they intend to teach.

Certificate Programs in University College

This program does not offer a certificate program to students in University College.

For all AMS courses, please refer to page 311.