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Program Description

This major is an interdisciplinary program which provides an opportunity for students to pursue organized studies of minority groups in American Society and to foster and expand general understanding of these groups. The courses allow for a wide latitude of study to meet a variety of interests with courses which fulfill competence in and an understanding of the unique contributions of American ethnic groups; interpretation of American ethnic culture as manifested in its history, its literature, and its social, economic, political, and philosophical development. (The course descriptions may be found under the appropriate disciplines.)

Associate in Arts Degree

The Associate in Arts Degree can be obtained by completing a total of 60 units, including the 18-unit major, general education requirements, and electives. All courses in the major must be completed with a grade of C or better or a P if the course is taken on a Pass/No Pass basis.

Program Outcomes

Students who complete the Ethnic Studies Associate Degree will be able to:

1. Increase understanding of diverse ethnic groups in American society.
2. Identify and analyze the impact of culture and the significance of history and literature.
3. Develop competence as it pertains to various ethnic groups including an understanding of their social, economic, political and philosophical development.
4. Develop competence in understanding the unique contributions of ethnic groups in American Society.

REQUIRED COURSES	Units
SOCS 022 Ethnic, Racial and Minority Group Relations in Harmony and Conflict	3
ART 012 Inside/Outside: The Cultures and Identities of Visual Artists in a Diverse America	3
OR	
MUSC 007 Jazz and Popular Music in America: Ragtime to Rock	3
OR	
MUSC 013 Multicultural Music in America	3
COUN 055 Valuing Diversity	3
HIST 028 African American History to 1877	3
OR	
HIST 029 African American History Since 1865	3
OR	
PLSC 005 Constitutional Rights in a Multicultural Society	3
OR	
SOCS 030 Peace, Non-Violence, and Conflict Resolution	3
OR	
SOCS 053 Civil Rights, Non-Violence, and Race Relations	3
Select 6 units from the Electives List	6
Total Units	18

Electives List (Select 6 units)	Units
ANTH 002 Cultural Anthropology	3
COUN 055* Valuing Diversity	3
ENGL 033 Survey of African American Literature in the United States	3
ENGL 036 Multi-Ethnic Literature in America	3
HIST 028* African American History to 1877	3
HIST 029* African American History Since 1865	3
HIST 031 Mexican American/Chicano History	3
HS 053 Serving Special Populations	3
JAPN 101 Conversational Japanese	3
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MUSC 007* Jazz and Popular Music in America: Ragtime to Rock	3
MUSC 013* Multicultural Music in America	3
PLSC 005* Constitutional Rights in a Multicultural Society	3
PSYC 007 Cross-Cultural Psychology	3
SOC 002 Social Issues and Problems	3
SOC 023 Sociology of African Americans	3
SOCS 025 Mexican-American Experience	3
SOCS 027 Native American Experience	3
SOCS 053* Civil-Rights, Non-Violence and Race Relations	3
SPAN 001 First Semester Spanish	5
SPAN 002 Second Semester Spanish	5
SPAN 003 Third Semester Spanish	5
SPAN 004 Fourth Semester Spanish	5
SPAN 025 Introduction to Latin-American Culture: Exploration of Identity Through Essay, Film and Short Story	3
THEA 013 Diversity in American Theatre: A Contemporary Focus	3

* If not previously taken for the major.