UNIVERSITY STUDIES (B.S.)
ETHNICITY, RACE AND GENDER CONCENTRATION

Degree: Bachelor of Science
Major: University Studies
Concentration: Ethnicity, Race and Gender
Total Hours: 120

Concentration Overview
The Ethnicity, Race and Gender concentration will allow students to examine a wide variety of issues related to intercultural relations. The knowledge and skills obtained through this program of study can be employed in careers focused on diversity, inclusion and advocacy. Students interested in using this degree as a foundation for graduate school should consult their advisor(s) for methods to align coursework options for specific programs of advanced study.

Degree requirements
120 semester hours minimum; 2.000 cumulative GPA minimum:

• 42 hours within the general education core curriculum
  • Earning a letter grade of C or better in ENGL 1301 Composition I and ENGL 1302 Composition II is strongly encouraged
  • SOCI 1301 Introduction to Sociology is preferred for the Social and Behavioral Sciences core requirement, and either MATH 1342 Statistics or PSYC 2317 Introduction to Statistical Methods is preferred in the core component area
• 36 hours within general electives block
  • ANTH 2351 Cultural Anthropology and COMM 1318 Interpersonal Communication are required courses for the general electives block
  • ANTH 2372 Ethnic Heritage and ENGL 2376 African-American Literature are preferred courses for the general electives block
• 42 hours within advanced electives block
  • All courses applied to the advanced electives block must have a letter grade of C or better.
  • A minimum of 12 hours of senior (4000) level coursework is required within the advanced electives block.
  • AASC 3301 Lifelong Learning and Portfolio Development, AASC 4301 Senior Seminar, and ENGL 3311 Professional Writing are required courses for the advanced electives block. Prerequisites for AASC 3301 Lifelong Learning and Portfolio Development include both ENGL 1301 Composition I and ENGL 1302 Composition II.
  • Race and Ethnicity Academic Area: 12 hours chosen from ANTH 4340 Topics in Anthropology (when topics applies); ENGL 3392 African American Literature; ENGL 4332 Special Topics in Non-Traditional Literatures; ENGL 4346 Special Topics: Rhetoric; HIST 4301 Native American History; HIST 4305 American Slavery; HIST 4335 Topics in U.S. History (when topic applies); COMM 4395 Studies in Communication (when topic applies); COMM 4396 Studies in Media (when topic applies); SOWK 3360 Promoting Social Justice; SOWK 4320 Seminar (when topic applies); SOCI 3306 Race & Ethnic Relations; SOCI 4300 Seminar in Sociology (when topic applies).
  • Gender Academic Area: 12 hours chosen from HIST 4306 U.S. Women’s History to 1877; HIST 4335 Topics in U.S. History (when topic applies); ENGL 4315 Studies in Women’s Literature; ENGL 4332 Special Topics in Non-Traditional Literatures (when topics applies); ENGL 4346 Special Topics: Rhetoric; COMM 3345 Race, Gender and Media; COMM 4395 Studies in Communication (when topic applies); COMM 4396 Studies in Media (when topic applies); CRIJ 3309 Class Race and Gender; SOCI 3310 Sociology of Gender; SOCI 3315 Single Women in the US; SOCI 3340 Sociology of Sexuality; SOCI 4300 Seminar in Sociology (when topic applies).
  • Cultural Studies Academic Area: 9 hours chosen from COMM 3301 Intercultural Communication; COMM 3378 Pop Culture Theories; SOCI 3365 Social Stratification; SOCI 4350 Sociology of Religion; HIST 3321 Issues in World Cultures to 1660

Code    Title                                  Hours
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ENGL 1301     Composition I                  3
ENGL 1302     Composition II                 3
MATH 1314     College Algebra(Non-Calculus)   3
MATH 1332     Contemporary Mathematics I     3
MATH 1342     Statistics                      3
BIOL 1308     General Biology (Non-Science Majors)  3
BIOL 1315     Plants and Human Society (Non-Majors)  3
BIOL 2306     Environmental Science          3
CHEM 1306     Chemistry for Allied Health Sciences  3
CHEM 1308     Biochemistry for Allied Health Sciences  3
CHEM 1311     General Chemistry I            3
CHEM 1312     General Chemistry II           3
GEOL 1390     Introductory Environmental & Physical Geology  3
PHYS 1305     Elementary Physics I Lecture    3
PHYS 1307     Elementary Physics II Lecture    3
PHYS 1311     Introduction to Astronomy Lecture  3
SPSC 1301     Space Exploration              3
DSDE 1374     Introduction to Deaf Studies    3
ENGL 2300     Close Reading II               3
ENGL 2322     British Literature             3
ENGL 2326     American Literature            3
ENGL 2331     World Literature               3
ENGL 2376     African-American Literature     3
FREN 2312     Intermediate French II         3
PHIL 1370     Philosophy of Knowledge        3
PHIL 2306     Ethics                         3
SPAN 2312     Intermediate Spanish II        3

Creative Arts
Select one of the following:  

- ARTS 1301 | Art Appreciation | 3
- ARTS 1303 | Art History I
- COMM 1375 | Film Appreciation
- COSC 1324 | The Art of Computer Game Development
- DANC 2304 | Dance Appreciation
- MUSI 1306 | Music Appreciation
- MUSI 1309 | Jazz History and Appreciation
- MUSI 1310 | History of Rock and Roll
- PHIL 1330 | Arts and Ideas
- THEA 1310 | Theatre Appreciation

American History
Select two of the following:  

- HIST 1301 | U.S. History I 1763-1877 | 3
- HIST 1302 | U.S. History II Since 1877
- HIST 2301 | Texas History

Government/Political Science
- POLS 2301 | Intro to American Government I | 3
- POLS 2302 | Intro/American Government II | 3

Social and Behavioral Sciences
Select one of the following:  

- PSYC 2301 | General Psychology | 3
- SOCI 1301 | Introduction to Sociology | 3

Component Area Option
Complete six unique hours from other core curriculum areas | 6

Required Courses
- AASC 3301 | Lifelong Learning and Portfolio Development | 3
- AASC 4301 | Senior Seminar | 3
- ENGL 3311 | Professional Writing | 3
- ANTH 2351 | Cultural Anthropology | 3
- COMM 1318 | Interpersonal Communication | 3

Academic Areas
- Race and Ethnicity
  Select four of the following:  
  - ANTH 4340 | Topics in Anthropology | 3
  - COMM 4395 | Studies in Communication | 3
  - COMM 4396 | Studies in Media | 3
  - ENGL 3392 | African American Literature
  - ENGL 4333 | Special Topics: Author
  - ENGL 4346 | Special Topics: Rhetoric
  - HIST 4301 | Native American History
  - HIST 4305 | American Slavery
  - HIST 4335 | Topics in U.S. History | 3
  - SOCI 3306 | Race & Ethnic Relations
  - SOWK 3360 | Promoting Social Justice
  - SOWK 4320 | Seminar | 3
- Gender Academic Area
  Select four of the following:  
  - COMM 3345 | Race, Gender and Media
  - COMM 4395 | Studies in Communication | 3
  - COMM 4396 | Studies in Media | 3
  - CRJ 3309 | Class Race and Gender
  - ENGL 4315 | Studies in Women's Literature
  - ENGL 4332 | Special Topics in Non-Traditional Literatures | 3
  - ENGL 4346 | Special Topics: Rhetoric
  - HIST 4306 | U.S. Women's History to 1877
  - HIST 4335 | Topics in U.S. History | 3
  - SOCI 3310 | Sociology of Gender
  - SOCI 3315 | Single Women in the US
  - SOCI 3340 | Sociology of Sexuality
  - SOCI 4300 | Seminar in Sociology | 3

Cultural Studies
Select three of the following:  

- COMM 3301 | Intercultural Communication
- COMM 3378 | Pop Culture Theories
- SOCI 3365 | Social Stratification
- SOCI 4350 | Sociology of Religion

Electives
- Elective Courses | 30 credit hours in 1000:4999 | 30

Total Hours: 120

1 At least 3 hours must be from one of the MATH courses listed in this section.
2 At least 12 hours of senior level must be completed in the Academic Areas block for degree completion; a minimum grade of C for all courses applied to the Academic Areas block.
3 When topics apply.
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