

# 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 Womens 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 topics 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 |
|--|---|-------|
| <b>General Education Core Curriculum</b> |   |       |
| <i>Communication</i>                     |   |       |
| ENGL 1301                                | Composition I                                 | 3     |
| ENGL 1302                                | Composition II                                | 3     |
| Mathematics                              |   |       |
| Select one of the following:             |   | 3     |
| MATH 1314                                | College Algebra(Non-Calculus)                 |       |
| MATH 1332                                | Contemporary Mathematics I                    |       |
| MATH 1342                                | Statistics                                    |       |
| <i>Life and Physical Sciences</i>        |   |       |
| Select two of the following:             |   | 6     |
| BIOL 1308                                | General Biology (Non-Science Majors)          |       |
| BIOL 1315                                | Plants and Human Society (Non-Majors)         |       |
| BIOL 2306                                | Environmental Science                         |       |
| CHEM 1306                                | Chemistry for Allied Health Sciences          |       |
| CHEM 1308                                | Biochemistry for Allied Health Sciences       |       |
| CHEM 1311                                | General Chemistry I                           |       |
| CHEM 1312                                | General Chemistry II                          |       |
| GEOL 1390                                | Introductory Environmental & Physical Geology |       |
| PHYS 1305                                | Elementary Physics I Lecture                  |       |
| PHYS 1307                                | Elementary Physics II Lecture                 |       |
| PHYS 1311                                | Introduction to Astronomy Lecture             |       |
| SPSC 1301                                | Space Exploration                             |       |
| <i>Language, Philosophy and Culture</i>  |   |       |
| Select one of the following:             |   | 3     |
| DSDE 1374                                | Introduction to Deaf Studies                  |       |
| ENGL 2300                                | Close Reading II                              |       |
| ENGL 2322                                | British Literature                            |       |
| ENGL 2326                                | American Literature                           |       |
| ENGL 2331                                | World Literature                              |       |
| ENGL 2376                                | African-American Literature                   |       |
| FREN 2312                                | Intermediate French II                        |       |
| PHIL 1370                                | Philosophy of Knowledge                       |       |
| PHIL 2306                                | Ethics  |       |
| SPAN 2312                                | Intermediate Spanish II                       |       |
| <i>Creative Arts</i>                     |   |       |

Select one of the following: 3

|           |                                      |  |
|-----------|--------------------------------------|--|
| ARTS 1301 | Art Appreciation                     |  |
| 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: 6

|           |                           |  |
|-----------|---------------------------|--|
| HIST 1301 | U S History I 1763-1877   |  |
| 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: 3

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

*Component Area Option*

Complete six unique hours from other core curriculum areas <sup>1</sup> 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* <sup>2</sup>

Race and Ethnicity

Select four of the following: 12

|           |                                       |  |
|-----------|---------------------------------------|--|
| ANTH 4340 | Topics in Anthropology <sup>3</sup>   |  |
| COMM 4395 | Studies in Communication <sup>3</sup> |  |
| COMM 4396 | Studies in Media <sup>3</sup>         |  |
| 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 <sup>3</sup>   |  |
| SOCI 3306 | Race & Ethnic Relations               |  |
| SOWK 3360 | Promoting Social Justice              |  |
| SOWK 4320 | Seminar <sup>3</sup>                  |  |

Gender Academic Area

Select four of the following: 12

|           |                                       |  |
|-----------|---------------------------------------|--|
| COMM 3345 | Race, Gender and Media                |  |
| COMM 4395 | Studies in Communication <sup>3</sup> |  |
| COMM 4396 | Studies in Media <sup>3</sup>         |  |
| CRIJ 3309 | Class Race and Gender                 |  |

|           |  |  |
|-----------|--|--|
| ENGL 4315 | Studies in Womens Literature                               |  |
| ENGL 4332 | Special Topics in Non-Traditional Literatures <sup>3</sup> |  |
| ENGL 4346 | Special Topics: Rhetoric                                   |  |
| HIST 4306 | U.S. Women's History to 1877                               |  |
| HIST 4335 | Topics in U.S. History <sup>3</sup>                        |  |
| SOCI 3310 | Sociology of Gender  |  |
| SOCI 3315 | Single Women in the US                                     |  |
| SOCI 3340 | Sociology of Sexuality                                     |  |
| SOCI 4300 | Seminar in Sociology <sup>3</sup>                          |  |

Cultural Studies

Select three of the following: 9

|           |                             |  |
|-----------|-----------------------------|--|
| 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**

- At least 3 hours must be from one of the MATH courses listed in this section.
- 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.
- When topics apply.

| Course                           | Title  | Hours     |
|----------------------------------|--|-----------|
| <b>First Year</b>                |  |           |
| <b>Fall</b>                      |  |           |
| ENGL 1301                        | Composition I  | 3         |
| Creative Art Core                |  | 3         |
| History Core                     |  | 3         |
| Communication Core               |  | 3         |
| Elective                         |  | 3         |
| <b>Hours</b>                     |  | <b>15</b> |
| <b>Spring</b>                    |  |           |
| ENGL 1302                        | Composition II                                       | 3         |
| COMM 1318                        | Interpersonal Communication                          | 3         |
| Math Core                        |  | 3         |
| History Core                     |  | 3         |
| Social and Behavior Science Core |  | 3         |
| <b>Hours</b>                     |  | <b>15</b> |
| <b>Second Year</b>               |  |           |
| <b>Fall</b>                      |  |           |
| POLS 2301                        | Intro to American Government I                       | 3         |
| Life/Physical Science Core       |  | 3         |
| Language Philosophy Core         |  | 3         |
| MATH 1342<br>or PSYC 2317        | Statistics<br>or Introduction to Statistical Methods | 3         |
| Elective                         |  | 3         |
| <b>Hours</b>                     |  | <b>15</b> |
| <b>Spring</b>                    |  |           |
| POLS 2302                        | Intro/American Government II                         | 3         |
| Life/Physical Science Core       |  | 3         |
| Elective                         |  | 6         |
| ANTH 2351                        | Cultural Anthropology                                | 3         |
| <b>Hours</b>                     |  | <b>15</b> |

**Third Year**

**Fall**

|              |   |           |
|--------------|---|-----------|
| AASC 3301    | Lifelong Learning and Portfolio Development | 3         |
|              | Race and Ethnicity Course                   | 3         |
|              | Gender Concentration Course                 | 3         |
|              | Cultural Studies Course                     | 3         |
|              | Elective                                    | 3         |
| <b>Hours</b> |   | <b>15</b> |

**Spring**

|              |                             |           |
|--------------|-----------------------------|-----------|
| ENGL 3311    | Professional Writing        | 3         |
|              | Race and Ethnicity Course   | 3         |
|              | Gender Concentration Course | 3         |
|              | Cultural Studies Course     | 3         |
|              | Elective                    | 3         |
| <b>Hours</b> |                             | <b>15</b> |

**Fourth Year**

**Fall**

|              |                             |           |
|--------------|-----------------------------|-----------|
|              | Race and Ethnicity Course   | 3         |
|              | Gender Concentration Course | 3         |
|              | Cultural Studies Course     | 3         |
|              | Electives                   | 6         |
| <b>Hours</b> |                             | <b>15</b> |

**Spring**

|              |                             |           |
|--------------|-----------------------------|-----------|
| AASC 4301    | Senior Seminar              | 3         |
|              | Race and Ethnicity Course   | 3         |
|              | Gender Concentration Course | 3         |
|              | Electives                   | 6         |
| <b>Hours</b> |                             | <b>15</b> |

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|--------------------|--|------------|
| <b>Total Hours</b> |  | <b>120</b> |
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