

Liberal Studies Major



American Studies

A concentration in American Studies offers students the opportunity to explore the cultural, historical, and political life of the United States and its place in the world through a multidisciplinary program of study. American Studies complements a major in business by providing the context needed to make informed decisions and exercise effective leadership in a complex global environment. In addition to the intellectual breadth that it adds to a business education, a concentration in American Studies prepares students for a variety of careers (e.g., law, public relations, government and public policy, non-profit administration, journalism, teaching, school administration, etc.) and provides a solid foundation for graduate study in business, law, political science, public policy, history and many other fields in the Arts and Sciences. A total of 8 courses (24 credits) must be completed.

Students in this major choose 8 from the following lists:

CIN 370 Selected Topics in Cinema Studies*
CIN 378 Hollywood Genres
CIN 380 The Male Image in American Cinema
CIN 381 Wonder Women
COM 311 Money, Power, Communication
EXP 201/202 Advanced Inquiry in Writing*
GLS 100 US Government and Politics (GO 100)
GLS 105 City and State Government and Politics (GO 105)
GLS 205 Social Policy: Privatization of Social Benefits (GO 305)
GLS 225 Politics and Urban Economy in the US (GO 252)
GLS 226 US Foreign Policy (GO 242)
GLS 230 Politics and Public Policy (GO 250)
GLS 234 Politics of Communications Policy
GLS 236 Campaigns and Elections
GLS 242 Current Political Issues* (GO 230)
GLS 248 Business and Politics of the News Media (GO 218)
HI 308 Drug Trades in World History
HI 340 Colonial America (1400-1750)
HI 342 Rev. Generation in the US (1750-1815)
HI 343 Modern United States History
HI 346 Economic History of the United States
HI 349 History of Modern US Foreign Policy, 1945-present
HI 350 Serfs Slaves and Sojourners
HI 351 American Religious Experience
HI 353 The American Economy in the 20th Century
HI 354 New Nation
HI 356 The US: from Nation to Empire
HI 357 America and its Arts
HI 358 US Women's History
HI 370 History of Sports
HI 381 The Civil War
HI 382 World War I
HI 383 World War II
HI 385 The Vietnam War
HI 391 Selected Topics in American History*
ID 211 Introduction to Gender Issues
ID 240 American Constitution: Its Evolution and Challenges
ID 260 Sex and American Culture
LIT 260 Intro to African American Lit and Cult Studies
LIT 261 American Traditions
LIT 262 Native American Literature and Culture
LIT 333 Literature and Film of the Vietnam War
LIT 362 American Literature, 1830-1870

LIT 363 American Lit: Realism and Naturalism
LIT 364 Modern American Literature
LIT 365 Immigrant and Ethnic Literature
LIT 366 American Icons
LIT 367 African American Women Writers
LIT 369 Sexual Identity and Culture
LIT 370 Passing in American Literature
LIT 381 Sitcom Nation
LIT 392 Selected Topics in Literary Theme*
LIT 393 Selected Topics in World Literature*
LIT 394 Selected Topics in African American Lit & Cult
LIT 395 Selected Topics in American Literature
LIT 397 Selected Topics in Cultural Studies*
MC 260 Introduction to Broadcasting
MC 300 Film and TV Advertising: Themes and Practices
MLSP 403 Latinos in America
NASE 305 US Space Program
NASE 308 Health of Nations
NASE 368 Lewis and Clark: Scientific Contributions
PH 131 Business Ethics: Philosophy of Work
PH 351 Perspectives on Poverty
SO 241 Diversity, Minorities and Social Change
SO 246 Criminal and Social Justice
SO 285 Sociology of Sports
SO 287 Media, Culture and Society
SO 289 Popular Culture in Consumer Societies
SO 292 Sociology of Native American Peoples
SO 320 Immigrant Entrepreneurship

Business Departments: (LSMs may use no more than two business department courses) (6 credits)

EC 232 Economics of Human Resources
EC 341 Urban and Regional Economics
EC 343 Introduction to Health Economics
EC 351 Contemporary Economic Issues
LA 101 Law and Society
LA 104 Gender and the Law
LA 105 Race and the Law
LA 106 "Outsiders" and the Law
LA 145 English Origins of American Law

Please note: No more than 4 courses may be taken in any one discipline.

*With appropriate theme

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