School of Interdisciplinary Studies

American Studies (BA)

The program in American Studies focuses on the study of the cultures, institutions, legal system, political structure, and social processes of the United States. It emphasizes an interdisciplinary perspective. Students choose two broad areas or options to study.

American Studies graduates work in business, culture industries, government, legal fields, media, non-profit organizations, and sports industries. The BA in American Studies is also an excellent preparation for law school or graduate school. Each student designs his or her own program within specific guidelines and in consultation with an academic advisor. The courses that a student takes as part of the American Studies program may be given in any school within the University but will include American Studies courses and appropriate Interdisciplinary Studies courses. A list of courses which apply to the American Studies degree may be obtained from the academic advisors in the School of Interdisciplinary Studies. Double majors including American Studies are encouraged.

Bachelor of Arts in American Studies

Degree Requirements (120 semester credit hours)

Faculty

Professors: George W. Fair, Karen J. Prager, Lawrence J. Redlinger, Erin A. Smith

Senior Lecturers: Andrew Busch, Kathleen Byrnes, Jillian Duquaine-Watson, Jonathan Frome, Patricia A. Leek, Angela McNulty, Rebekah Nix, Teresa Parker, Nancy C. Van, Larissa Werhnyak, Elizabeth Winstead, Tonja Wissinger

I. Core Curriculum Requirements: 42 semester credit hours

Communication: 6 semester credit hours

COMM 1311 Survey of Oral and Technology-based Communication
RHET 1302 Rhetoric

Mathematics: 3 semester credit hours

Choose one course from the following:

MATH 1306 College Algebra for the Non-Scientist
MATH 1314 College Algebra
Life and Physical Sciences: 6 semester credit hours
Select any 6 semester credit hours from Life and Physical Sciences core courses

Language, Philosophy and Culture: 3 semester credit hours
Choose one course from the following:
  - AMS 2300 American Popular Culture
  - AMS 2341 American Studies for the Twenty-First Century
  - HUMA 1301 Exploration of the Humanities
Or select any 3 semester credit hours from Language, Philosophy and Culture core courses

Creative Arts: 3 semester credit hours
Choose one course from the following:
  - ARTS 1301 Exploration of the Arts
  - FILM 2332 Understanding Film
Or select any 3 semester credit hours from Creative Arts core courses

American History: 6 semester credit hours
Choose two courses from the following:
  - HIST 1301 U.S. History Survey to Civil War
  - HIST 1302 U.S. History Survey from Civil War
  - HIST 2301 History of Texas

Government / Political Science: 6 semester credit hours
  - GOVT 2305 American National Government
  - GOVT 2306 State and Local Government

Social and Behavioral Sciences: 3 semester credit hours
Choose one course from the following:
  - GST 2300 Introduction to Gender Studies
  - PSY 2301 Introduction to Psychology
  - SOC 1301 Introduction to Sociology
Or select any 3 semester credit hours from Social and Behavioral Sciences core courses. Students
are strongly encouraged to take a core course that is closely related to their options and career goals.

**Component Area Option: 6 semester credit hours**

Students are strongly encouraged to take two Component Area Option courses that are closely related to their options and career goals.

II. Major Requirements: 48 semester credit hours

**Major Core Courses: 12 semester credit hours**

AMS 3302 American Cultures

or AMS 2341 American Studies for the Twenty-First Century

BIS 3320 The Nature of Intellectual Inquiry

Choose two courses from the following:

HIST 3369 United States Foreign Relations

PSCI 3325 American Public Policy

PSCI 3327 American Foreign Policy

Or other courses on American history or American government approved by the academic advisor.

**Major Related Courses: Two Options 36 semester credit hours**

In addition to the major core courses, students will take 18 semester credit hours of coursework in two of the following subject options, for a total of 36 semester credit hours:

African American Culture

American Body Politic

American Economic System

American Legal System

America: Past and Present

America and the World Community

American Business and Technology

American Literature and Arts

Gender Studies

Issues in Media and Communication

Latino/Latina Culture
热门文化

III. 选修学分要求：30学期学分

必修课：所有新生：1学期学分

- **UNIV 1010** 新生研讨
- **BIS 1100** 跨学科研究新生研讨

选修学分：29学期学分

学生必须完成51学期学分的学士学位课程以毕业。他们必须在UT Dallas完成至少45学期学分的学士学位课程。在最后一个学期，所有课程应由UT Dallas完成。

**荣誉美国研究**

平均分数（GPA）：3.900累积GPA，3.900 GPA在所列课程中，以及27或30个学士学位UT Dallas学期学分，如所列。《荣誉美国研究》的总学期学分必须为30。

**必修课程：24学期学分**

- **AMS 3302** 美国文化（3学期学分）
- 或者 **AMS 2341** 美国研究二十一世纪（3学期学分）
- **BIS 3320** 知识的性质（3学期学分）

两门 **HIST 3369, PSCI 3325, PSCI 3327** 或其他美国历史或美国政府课程，由学术顾问批准（6学期学分）

- 核心课程：第一选择领域（3学期学分）
- 核心课程：第二选择领域（3学期学分）
- 一个来自第一选项领域的AMS课程（3学期学分）
- 一个来自第二选项领域的AMS课程（3学期学分）

**规定课程：6学期学分**

- 6学期学分的实习
  - 或者3学期学分的实习和一个来自第一或第二选项领域的3学期学分课程

**成绩单上的注释**：荣誉主修
1. Incoming freshmen must enroll and complete requirements of UNIV 1010 and the corresponding school-related freshman seminar course. Students, including transfer students, who complete their core curriculum at UT Dallas must take UNIV 2020.

2. Curriculum Requirements can be fulfilled by other approved courses from institutions of higher education. The courses listed are recommended as the most efficient way to satisfy both Core Curriculum and Major Requirements at UT Dallas.

3. A required major course that also fulfills a Core Curriculum requirement. Semester credit hours are counted in the Core Curriculum.

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