AMERICAN STUDIES (AMS)

AMS 101. Introduction to American Studies. 3 Credit Hours.

This interdisciplinary course builds analytic skills and critical perspectives for exploring and understanding United States culture and society. Specific focus and content vary by section and semester.

Components: LEC. Grading: GRD. Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

AMS 301. Topics in American Studies. 0-3 Credit Hours.

Content varies by semester. Components: LEC. Grading: GRD. Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

AMS 310. The United States in the World. 3 Credit Hours.

This interdisciplinary course explores United States culture in a global framework, with attention to building more sophisticated analytic skills and critical perspectives. Specific focus and content vary by semester.

Components: LEC. Grading: GRD.

Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

AMS 321. Topics in American Studies: History. 3 Credit Hours.

This course explores the field of history (including the study of experiences, texts, and theoretical aspects of individual and cultural pasts) within and in relation to the U.S. context. Specific focus and content vary by semester.

Components: LEC. Grading: GRD. Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

AMS 322. Topics in American Studies: Literature. 3 Credit Hours.

This course explores the field of literature (including the study of experiences, texts, and theoretical aspects of literary expression) within and in relation to the U.S. context. Specific focus and content vary by semester.

Components: LEC. Grading: GRD. Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

AMS 323. Topics in American Studies: Politics. 3 Credit Hours.

This course explores the field of politics (including the study of experiences, texts, and theoretical aspects of polity or institutional governance) within and in relation to the U.S. context. Specific focus and content vary by semester.

Components: LEC. Grading: GRD.

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

AMS 324. Topics in American Studies: Religion. 3 Credit Hours.

This course explores the field of religion (including the study of experiences, texts, and theoretical aspects of religious beliefs and institutions) within and in relation to the U.S. context. Specific focus and content vary by semester.

Components: LEC.

Grading: GRD.

Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

AMS 325. Topics in American Studies: Law. 3 Credit Hours.

This course explores the field of law (including the study of experiences, texts, and theoretical aspects of jurisprudence and legal culture) within and in relation to the U.S. context. Specific focus and content vary by semester.

Components: LEC.

Grading: GRD.

Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

AMS 326. Topics in American Studies: Education. 3 Credit Hours.

This course explores the field of education (including the study of experiences, texts, and theoretical aspects of literacies and the education of individuals and communities) within and in relation to the U.S. context. Specific focus and content vary by semester. **Components:** LEC. **Grading:** GRD. **Typically Offered:** Fall & Spring.

AMS 327. Topics in American Studies: Film. 3 Credit Hours.

This course explores the field of film (including the study of experiences, texts, and theoretical aspects of cinematic expression) within and in relation to the U.S. context. Specific focus and content vary by semester.

Components: LEC.

Grading: GRD.

Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

AMS 328. Topics in American Studies: Music. 3 Credit Hours.

This course explores the field of music (including the study of experiences, texts, and theoretical aspects of musical composition and expression) within and in relation to the U.S. context. Specific focus and content vary by semester. **Components:** LEC. **Grading:** GRD.

Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

AMS 329. Topics in American Studies: Art. 3 Credit Hours.

This course explores the field of art (including the study of experiences, texts, and theoretical aspects of aesthetics and creative expression) within and in relation to the U.S. context. Specific focus and content vary by semester.

Components: LEC.

Grading: GRD.

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

AMS 330. Topics in American Studies: Sociology. 3 Credit Hours.

This course explores the field of sociology (including the study of experiences, texts, and theoretical aspects of human engagements in society) within and in relation to the U.S. context. Specific focus and content vary by semester.

Components: LEC.

Grading: GRD.

Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

AMS 331. Topics in American Studies: Geography. 3 Credit Hours.

This course explores the field of geography (including the study of experiences, texts, and theoretical aspects of spatial and regional studies) within and in relation to the U.S. context. Specific focus and content vary by semester.

Components: LEC.

Grading: GRD.

Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

AMS 332. Topics in American Studies: Anthropology. 3 Credit Hours.

This course explores the field of anthropology (including the study of experiences, texts, and theoretical aspects of human cultural development) within and in relation to the U.S. context. Specific focus and content vary by semester. **Components:** LEC.

Grading: GRD.

Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

AMS 333. Topics in American Studies: Environmental Studies. 3 Credit Hours.

This course explores the field of environmental studies (including the study of experiences, texts, and theoretical aspects of environmentalism and sustainability) within and in relation to the U.S. context. Specific focus and content vary by semester.

Components: LEC.

Grading: GRD.

Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

AMS 334. Topics in American Studies: Ethnic Studies. 3 Credit Hours.

This course explores the field of ethnic studies (including the study of experiences, texts, and theoretical aspects of racialized ethnic groups) within and in relation to the U.S. context. Specific focus and content vary by semester.

Components: LEC. Grading: GRD.

Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

AMS 335. Topics in American Studies: Women's and Gender Studies. 3 Credit Hours.

This course explores the field of gender studies (including the study of experiences, texts, and theoretical aspects of gender) within and in relation to the U.S. context. Specific focus and content vary by semester.

Components: LEC.

Grading: GRD.

Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

AMS 336. Topics in American Studies: LGBTQ Studies. 3 Credit Hours.

This course explores the field of LGBTQ studies (including the study of experiences, texts, and theoretical aspects of LGBTQ individuals and groups) within and in relation to the U.S. context. Specific focus and content vary by semester.

Components: LEC.

Grading: GRD.

Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

AMS 337. Topics in American Studies: Cultural Studies. 3 Credit Hours.

This course explores the field of cultural studies (including the study of experiences, texts, and theoretical aspects of culture/cultural groups) within and in relation to the U.S. context. Specific focus and content vary by semester.

Components: LEC.

Grading: GRD.

Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

AMS 338. Topics in American Studies: International Studies. 3 Credit Hours.

This course explores the field of international studies (including the study of experiences, texts, and theoretical elements emerging from international or global arenas) in relation to a U.S. context. Specific focus and content vary by semester.

Components: LEC.

Grading: GRD.

Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

AMS 339. Topics in American Studies: Urban Studies. 3 Credit Hours.

This course explores the field of urban studies (including the study of experiences, texts, and theoretical aspects of urban or city life) within and in relation to the U.S. context. Specific focus and content vary by semester.

Components: LEC. Grading: GRD.

Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

AMS 350. History and Culture of South Florida. 3 Credit Hours.

The history and culture of South Florida from a multidisciplinary perspective. Components: LEC. Grading: GRD.

Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

AMS 399. Independent Study. 1-3 Credit Hours.

By arrangement with instructor; content varies. Components: LEC. Grading: CNC. Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

AMS 401. Seminar in American Studies. 3 Credit Hours.

Content varies by semester. Components: SEM. Grading: GRD. Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

AMS 499. Independent Study. 3 Credit Hours.

By arrangement with instructor; content varies. Components: LEC. Grading: GRD. Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

AMS 501. Senior Project. 3 Credit Hours.

All majors must complete either an individual research project or an internship at a local cultural or civic institution. Either option must be approved by the program director.

Components: THI. Grading: GRD.

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

AMS 505. Honors Thesis. 3 Credit Hours.

American Studies majors with a cumulative GPA of at least 3.5 in AMS courses and an overall GPA of at least 3.0 may earn departmental honors by completing AMS 505 : honors thesis. Candidates for departmental honors are responsible for finding a faculty member to serve as the thesis advisor. Students would take AMS 501 in the fall semester or the senior year and AMS 505 in the spring to complete the honors thesis. **Components:** THI. **Grading:** GRD.

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.