American Studies Pathway

The American Studies Pathway allows students to explore the broad interplay of ideas and events which have shaped the American past and which will continue to affect its future.

Your Pathway must contain 4 courses drawn from at least 3 of the disciplinary areas listed below. Honors, special-topics, and study-abroad courses may be used in Pathways if they have been approved for this purpose.

Ethics & Justice
REST 209 World Religions

Fine Arts (maximum 2 courses)
ART 255 Pre-Columbian Art
ART 280 American Art
MUS 242 Popular Music in America
MUS 343 Music in America

History (maximum 2 courses)
HIST 216 Black Political and Social Thought
HIST 217 Catholics in the U.S. *cross-listed POSC 217/REST 217
HIST 220 New York: The Empire State
HIST 223 American Military History 1607-present
HIST 226 American History to 1877
HIST 227 American History Since 1877
HIST 228 America Since 1945
HIST 234 African American History
HIST 286 The Irish American Experience
HIST 307 History of American Manhood *prereq 6 HIST credits or instructor permission
HIST 312 History of the American Presidency *cross-listed POSC 312
HIST 325 History of American Feminism *prereq 6 HIST credits or instructor permission
HIST 381/MDIA 323 Film and History *prereq 6 HIST credits; contingent on course topic

Literature (maximum 2 courses)
ENG 210 American Literature I
ENG 211 American Literature II
ENG 240 American Short Fiction
ENG 266 Italian/American Experience *cross-listed HIST 266/POSC 266
ENG 340 American Drama I
ENG 341 American Drama II

Modern Languages
SPAN 270 Cultures of Hispanics in the United States *taught in Spanish

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Philosophy
PHIL 213 Foundations of American Social Thought
PHIL 240 Pragmatism

Social Science (maximum 2 courses)

ANTH 230 American Culture I
ANTH 231 American Culture II
ANTH 233 Native Americans
POSC 110 American National Government
POSC 211 American State & Local Politics *prereq POSC 110
POSC 212 Political Parties & Interest Groups *prereq POSC 110
POSC 218 American Political Thought *prereq POSC 110 and 112
POSC 300 US Constitutional Law: Civil Rights & Liberties *prereq any 200-level subfield course
POSC 312 History of the American Presidency *cross-listed HIST 312
POSC 360 Congress Today *prereq any 200-level subfield course

Non-Breadth Options (maximum 1 course)
CRJU Introduction to Criminal Justice
CRJU 221 Law & Society *cross-listed PRLG 221
CRJU 230 Policing in America
CRJU 235 Corrections
CRJU 250 Introduction to US Courts