American Studies

The American Studies concentration will give students a broad understanding of the history, culture, and people of America. American Studies encourages students to explore the relationships among ideas, institutions, values, and aesthetic forms as they have evolved in the United States. Students must take courses in each of the following areas: history; government; the arts; literature; behavioral sciences; and a capstone course.

Concentration Requirements

Students must take courses in each of the following areas:

American Art	6 cr
American History	6 cr
American Literature	6 cr
Behavioral Sciences (American)	6 cr
Upper level elective credit in one of the areas above	6 cr
POL 150: American Government	3 cr
AMS 499: Capstone	3 cr

Prerequisites:

• American History I and II.

Student Learning Outcomes

Students with a concentration in American Studies will be able to:

- 1. discuss the significant events, peoples, ideas, and products relevant to the field and study of American studies;
- 2. explain how the arts and literature help to shape the American society;
- 3. explain the role of politics in shaping the American society; and
- 4. discuss how being knowledgeable about American history and culture makes one a better citizen.

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