Minor in American Studies

The minor in American Studies offers students an opportunity to incorporate American Studies as an interdisciplinary field of study along with their chosen major and degree. The minor is open to all students, and is a particularly complimentary field of study for those who are currently majoring in other fields within the humanities, social sciences, or natural sciences.

Requirements for the Minor

Students selecting this minor must complete the following:

Choose one introductory course from the following: (3)
- AMS 100  Introduction to American Studies
- or SOC 110  American Identities
- AMS 101  Introduction to American Studies, Honors
- AMS 110  American Identities
- AMS 112  American Identities, Honors

Choose one course from the following: (3)
- AMS 177  First Year Seminar: _____
- AMS 260  America's Latinos/Latinas
- or SOC 260  America's Latinos/Latinas
- AMS 290  Religion in American Society
- or REL 171  Religion in American Society
- AMS 310  American Culture, 1600-1876
- or HIST 310  American Culture, 1600-1876
- AMS 312  American Culture, 1877 to the Present
- or HIST 312  American Culture, 1877 to the Present
- AMS 330  American Society
- or SOC 330  American Society
- AMS 332  The United States in Global Context
- AMS 345  Cultural Studies

Choose four American Studies courses (any course with an AMS prefix or courses cross-listed with AMS courses) (12 hours) at the junior/senior level (300+)

Note: Only 1 course in the minor may be shared with your major.

Minor Hours & GPA

While completing all required courses, minors must also meet each of the following hour and grade point average minimum standards:

Minor Hours

Satisfied by 18 hours of minor courses.

Minor Hours in Residence

Satisfied by a minimum of 9 hours of junior/senior (300+) hours of KU resident credit in the minor.

Minor Junior/Senior (300+) Hours

Satisfied by a minimum of 12 hours from junior/senior courses (300+) in the minor.

Minor Graduation GPA

Satisfied by a minimum of a 2.0 GPA in all courses in the minor. GPA calculations include all courses in the field of study including Fs and repeated courses.