

AMERICAN STUDIES AT WESTERN

September 2005 marked the beginning of Western's American Studies BA Program, one of only a handful in Canada. This exciting and innovative program focuses on literature, history, cultural criticism, politics, government, music and the visual arts, in an effort to better understand the meaning and significance of the American identity.

A degree in American Studies prepares Canadian students for a host of possibilities that demand an understanding of the culture and politics of the United States. Possible careers include government jobs, teaching, business, journalism, broadcasting, tourism, and advanced research.



The following degrees are offered:

Honors Specialization in American Cultural Studies

Honors Specialization in Canadian-American Relations

Major in American Studies

Minor in American Studies

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HONORS SPECIALIZATION IN AMERICAN CULTURAL STUDIES

Admission Requirements

Completion of first-year requirements with no failures. Students must have an average of at least 70% in 3.0 principal courses including American Studies 1020 plus 2.0 additional courses from Political Science 1020E, a first-year History, or a first-year English, with no mark in these principal courses below 60%.

Module: 9.0 courses

1.0 course: American Studies 2200E: Advanced American Studies

1.0 course from:

English 2017: Reading Popular Culture

English 2308E: American Literature Survey

1.0 course: History 2301E: United States, Colonial Period- Present

1.0 course: Political Science 2244E: American Government & Politics

2.0 courses from:

American Studies 2230-2231F/G: Selected Topics

American Studies 3330-3340F/G: Selected Topics

English 2210F/G: Contemporary Theory and Criticism

English 2250F/G: Introduction to Cultural Studies

English 3666F/G: American Drama

English 3667F/G: Topics in American Literature

English 4620F/G: Seminar in American Literature

Film Studies 2253E: American Cinema

Film Studies 2255E: Representation of Gender and Sexuality

History 2303F/G: The Crucible of the Modern World

History 3807E: The Jewish Immigrant Experience in America

1.0 course from:

History 3301E: Colonial British America

History 3305E: The United States 1783-1901

History 3307E: American Popular Culture (King's)

History 3309E: The American South (King's)

History 3311F/G: African American History I (Huron)

History 3313F/G: African-American History II (Huron)

History 3321E: Topics in American Social & Cultural History

History 3326F/G: Atomic America: The United States in the 1950s

History 3391E-3395E, 3396F/G-3399F/G: Selected Topics

History 4301E: The United States in the Twentieth Century

History 4707E: Technology and Society in North America

History 4803E: Sex and Gender in the Modern World

1.0 course from:

Anthropology/FNS 2211F/G: Cultures of the Caribbean

Anthropology/FNS 2216F/G: Cultures of Latin America

Anthropology/FNS 2231F/G: Archaeology of North America

First Nations Studies 2132F/G: Cultures of Native North America

1.0 course:

American Studies 4400E: Approaches to American Studies

American Studies 4420E: Independent Thesis in American Studies

American Studies 4430F/G: Directed Reading Course in Am Studies

HONORS SPECIALIZATION IN CANADIAN-AMERICAN RELATIONS

Admission Requirements

Completion of first-year requirements with no failures. Students must have an average of at least 70% in 3.0 principal courses including American Studies 1020 and Political Science 1020E, plus 1.0 additional course from a first-year History, or a first-year English, with no mark in these principal courses below 60%.

Module: 9.0 courses

1.0 course: American Studies 2200E: Advanced American Studies

1.0 course: Political Science 2244E: American Government and Politics

1.0 course: History 2301E: The United States, Colonial Period to the Present

1.0 course from:

English 2308E: American Literature Survey

English 3667F/G: Topics in American Literature

Anthropology/FNS 2211F/G: Cultures of the Caribbean

Anthropology/FNS 2216F/G: Cultures of Latin America

Anthropology/FNS 2231F/G: Archaeology of North America

First Nations Studies 2132F/G: Cultures of Native North America

4.0 courses (with no more than 2.0 from any one dept) from:

History 2201E: Canada: Origins to the Present

History 2303F/G: The Crucible

of the Modern World: The United

States & the International

Community, 1935-Present

History 3319E: Foreign Policy of

the United States since 1775

History 3320E: Global America:

The United States in World Affairs,

1700-Present

History 4301E: The United

States in the Twentieth Century

History 4701E: Canada and the

United States

History 4707E: Technology and

Society in North America

Political Science 2211E: Business and Government

Political Science 2230E: Canadian Government & Politics

Political Science 3317G: Interest Groups and Social Movements

Political Science 3326E: Canadian-American Relations

Political Science 4401F/G: American Foreign Policy

Political Science 4444E: Constitutions in Canada and the US (King's)

1.0 course from:

American Studies 4400E: Approaches to American Studies

American Studies 4420E: Independent Thesis in American Studies

American Studies 4430F/G: Directed Reading Course in Am Studies



MAJOR IN AMERICAN STUDIES

Admission Requirements

Completion of first-year requirements, including American Studies 1020 and 1.0 course from Political Science 1020E, a first-year History, or a first-year English with a minimum mark of 60%.

Module: 6.0 courses

1.0 course:

American Studies 2200E: Advanced American Studies

2.0 courses from:

English 2308E: American Literature Survey

History 2301E: The United States Colonial Period to the Present

Political Science 2244E: American Government and Politics



3.0 courses (with no more than 1.0 from any one dept) from:

American Studies 2230-2231F/G: Selected Topics

American Studies 3330-3340F/G: Selected Topics

Anthropology/FNS 2211F/G: Cultures of the Caribbean

Anthropology/FNS 2216F/G: Cultures of Latin America

Anthropology/FNS 2231F/G: Archaeology of North America

English 2017: Reading Popular Culture

English 3667F/G: Topics in American Literature

Geography 2142A/B: Geopolitics

History 2131A/B: The Presidency in American History

History 2132A/B: The History of American Popular Culture

History 2303F/G: The Crucible of the Modern World

History 2703F/G: The Cultural Mosaic and the Melting Pot

History 3305E: The United States, 1783-1901

History 3307E: American Popular Culture (King's)

History 3321E: Topics in US Social & Cultural History, 1607-Present

History 3326F/G: Atomic America: The United States in the 1950s

History 3396F/G-3399F/G: Selected Topics in US History

Political Science 3317F/G: Interest Groups and Social Movements

Political Science 3326E: Canadian-American Relations

MINOR IN AMERICAN STUDIES

Admission Requirements

Completion of first-year requirements, including American Studies 1020 and 1.0 course from Political Science 1020E, a first-year History, or a first-year English with a minimum mark of 60%.

Module: 4.0 courses

1.0 course: American Studies 2200E: Advanced American Studies

1.0 course from:

English 2308E: American Literature Survey

History 2301E: The United States Colonial Period to the Present

Political Science 2244E: American Government and Politics

Film Studies 2253E: American Cinema

2.0 courses from:

American Studies 2230-2231F/G: Selected Topics

American Studies 3330-

3340F/G: Selected Topics

Anthropology/FNS 2211F/G:

Cultures of the Caribbean

Anthropology/FNS 2216F/G:

Cultures of Latin America

Anthropology/FNS 2231F/G:

Archaeology of North America

English 2017: Reading Popular

Culture

English 3667F/G: Topics in

American Literature

Geography 2142A/B:

Geopolitics

History 2131A/B: The

Presidency in American History

History 2132A/B: The History

of American Popular Culture

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History 2703F/G: The Cultural

Mosaic and the Melting Pot

History 3305E: The United

States, 1783-1901

History 3307E: American Popular Culture (King's)

History 3321E: Topics in US Social & Cultural History 1607-Present

History 3326F/G: Atomic America: The United States in the 1950s

History 3396-3399F/G: Specialized Historical Studies

Political Science 2102A/B: Capitalism and Democracy

Political Science 2104: The United Nations in the New Millennium

Political Science 3317F/G: Interest Groups and Social Movements

Political Science 3326E: Canadian-American Relations



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