

ETHNIC STUDIES, ASSOCIATE IN ARTS

An Associate in Arts degree in Ethnic Studies can be used in social work, teaching, law, advocacy, politics, community services, cultural arts, or museums, and in local, state and federal governmental agencies. Ethnic Studies scholarship is interdisciplinary by nature and interrogates the multiple meanings of diversity. It also engages students in critically examining the cultural contributions, historical experiences, and socioeconomic concerns of varied groups. As part of our pedagogical philosophy, the Ethnic Studies program uses student-centered pedagogies to expand students' social and political horizons, as well as their creative, critical thinking skills. The Ethnic Studies program is committed to providing students with the skills to address social issues in their communities and to work effectively across diverse settings.

Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of the program, students will be able to:

- Define and use key concepts, terminology, and theoretical frameworks central to the interdisciplinary field of Ethnic Studies.
- Analyze and discuss the social, economic, and cultural experiences of ethnic minorities relative to the social sciences and the humanities by engaging in critical thinking, communication, and research.
- Identify and discuss interconnections of ethnicity, gender, race, class, sexuality, ability, and other categories of identity in various spheres of human experience ranging from the individual to the collective.
- Demonstrate cultural competence by illustrating openness to learning about people, cultures, and societies different from themselves and being able to effectively interact with people from diverse cultures.

Associate in Arts Degree Major Requirements

Code	Title	Units
Required Core		
Select one Introductory course from the following:		3
ETNC 10	Introduction to Ethnic Studies and Social Justice	
ETNC/SOCI 13	Introduction to Race and Ethnicity	
Select one Humanities course from the following:		3
ETNC 4	Mexican-American Art in American Culture	
ETNC 5	African-American Arts and Music in American Culture	
ETNC 6	Culture in American Film	
Select one Historical Settings course from the following:		3
ETNC/HIST 23	Chicano History 1848 to Present	
ETNC/HIST 24	African Americans in United States History to 1865	
ETNC/HIST 25	African Americans in United States History Since 1865	
HIST/GWOS 12	Women in United States History	
Select one Political Institutions course from the following:		3
ETNC 16	African-Americans in American Government	
ETNC 18	Latinos in American Government	

Select any two Elective courses listed above or not already used, or choose from the following: 6

ETNC/SOCI 14 Sociology of Latinos and Latinas

ETNC/ANTH 20 Native Peoples of North America

ETNC/SOCI 22 Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in American Society

TOTAL MAJOR UNITS 18

Additional Requirements

Complete Competency Requirements, general education pattern (MPC General Education, CSU General Education, or IGETC), and electives, if needed, for a total of 60 degree-applicable units. 42

Total Units 60

Please refer to the graduation requirements section of the Catalog for information about degree and certificate requirements including Reading and Writing, Mathematics, Information Competency, and General Education requirements.