American Ethnic Studies
B.A./B.S.

American Ethnic Studies is the interdisciplinary study of the historical, political, social and cultural realities that have shaped the development of America’s diverse, ethnic populations; primarily focusing on African Americans, Asian Americans, Latino/a Americans and native American populations.

The undergraduate major provides a broad liberal arts education with skills in critical thinking, comparative analysis, social theory, data analysis, oral and written communication. Emphasis will be placed on multicultural competency development, preparing students to live and work in a diverse world.

An American Ethnic Studies major will provide students training for fields in law, education, medicine, public health, social work, journalism, business, urban planning, politics, counseling, international relations, creative writing, university teaching and research.

Students who major in American Ethnic Studies should refer to the general degree requirements for the BA or BS degree in the College of Arts and Sciences. To graduate with a bachelor degree in American
Ethnic Studies, students must fulfill all program requirements and have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher in all American Ethnic Studies course work taken at Kansas State University.

All majors are required to complete 36 credit hours: (a) 15 credit hours required core (b) 6 credit hours ethnic specific courses (c) 9 credit hours supporting courses and (d) 6 credit hours approved American Ethnic Studies electives.

**Bachelor’s degree requirements**

**Required Core (15 credit hours)**

In addition to the general BA or BS requirements, American Ethnic Studies majors take a minimum of 36 credit hours in American ethnic studies as follows:

- **AMETH 160 - Introduction to American Ethnic Studies** Credits: (3)
- **AMETH 449 - Comparative Ethnic Studies I** Credits: (3)
- **AMETH 450 - Comparative Ethnic Studies II** Credits: (3)
- **AMETH 550 - Research Methods in American Ethnic Studies** Credits: (3)
- **AMETH 650 - Seminar in American Ethnic Studies** Credits: (3)

**Ethnic Specific Courses (6 credit hours)**

- **AMETH 451 - African American Perspectives** Credits: (3)
- **AMETH 452 - American Indian Perspectives** Credits: (3)
- **AMETH 453 - Latino/a Perspectives** Credits: (3)
- **AMETH 454 - Asian American Perspectives** Credits: (3)
- **ANTH 570 - North American Archaeology** Credits: (3)
- **ANTH 630 - North American Indians** Credits: (3)
- **ENGL 386 - African American Literatures** Credits: (3)
- **ENGL 387 - American Indian Literatures** Credits: (3)
- **ENGL 388 - Asian American Literatures** Credits: (3)
- **ENGL 389 - Latina/o Literatures** Credits: (3)
- **HIST 537 - History of the Indians of North America** Credits: (3)
- **HIST 539 - African-American History** Credits: (3)
- **SOCIO 541 - Wealth, Power, and Privilege** Credits: (3)
• SPAN 560 - Introduction to U.S. Latino/a Literature and Culture in Spanish Credits: (3)
• SPAN 760 - U.S. Latino/a Literature and Culture in Spanish Credits: (3)

Supporting Courses (9 credit hours)

• Any Anthropology course Credits: (3)
  • ANTH 200 - Introduction to Cultural Anthropology Credits: (3)
  • ANTH 204 - A General Education Introduction to Cultural Anthropology Credits: (3)
  • ENGL 285 - Introduction to American Ethnic Literatures Credits: (3)
  • ENGL 385 - Selected American Ethnic Literatures Credits: (3)
  • GEOG 200 - Human Geography Credits: (3)
  • PHILO 380 - Philosophy and Race Credits: (3)
  • SOCIO 570 - Race and Ethnic Relations in the USA Credits: (3)

American Ethnic Studies Electives (6 credit hours)

American Ethnic Studies

• AMETH 460 - Independent Reading and Research in American Ethnic Studies Credits: (1-3)
• AMETH 501 - Recitation Leadership Credits: (1-3)
• AMETH 560 - Topics in American Ethnic Studies Credits: (1-4)
• AMETH 660 - Independent Reading and Research in American Ethnic Studies Credits: (1-3)
Economics

- **ECON 505 - South Asian Civilizations** Credits: (3)

Education

- **EDCI 730 - Education of the Disadvantaged** Credits: (3)
- **EDCI 735 - Curriculum Materials for Nonsexist Teaching** Credits: (3)
- **EDCI 740 - Culture and Language in Classroom Practice** Credits: (3)
- **EDCI 742 - ESL/Dual Language Assessment** Credits: (3)
- **EDCI 745 - ESL/Dual Language Elementary Practicum** Credits: (3)
- **EDCI 746 - ESL/Dual Language Secondary Practicum** Credits: (3)
- **EDCI 755 - Multicultural Issues in Teaching** Credits: (3)
- **EDEL 310 - Foundations of Education** Credits: (3)
- **EDSEC 310 - Foundations of Education** Credits: (3)
- **EDSEC 455 - Teaching in a Multicultural Society** Credits: (1)
- **LEAD 350 - Culture and Context in Leadership** Credits: (3)

English

- **ENGL 285 - Introduction to American Ethnic Literatures** Credits: (3)
- **ENGL 315 - Cultural Studies** Credits: (3)
- **ENGL 385 - Selected American Ethnic Literatures** Credits: (3) (Multietnic Literature)
- **ENGL 450 - Literature and Society** Credits: (3) (Literature of the Holocaust)
- **ENGL 580 - Selected World Literature** Credits: (3)
- **ENGL 655 - Readings in American Ethnic Literature** Credits: (3)
Geography

- GEOG 100 - World Regional Geography Credits: (3)
- GEOG 505 - South Asian Civilizations Credits: (3)
- GEOG 620 - Mexico, Central America, and Caribbean Credits: (3)
- GEOG 622 - Geography of South America Credits: (3)
- GEOG 640 - Geography of Europe Credits: (3)
- GEOG 715 - World Population Patterns Credits: (3)
- GEOG 780 - Cultural Geography Credits: (3)

History

- HIST 505 - South Asian Civilizations Credits: (3)
- HIST 537 - History of the Indians of North America Credits: (3)
- HIST 539 - African-American History Credits: (3)
- HIST 554 - History of the South Credits: (3)
- HIST 560 - Latin American Nations Credits: (3)
- HIST 561 - Colonial Hispanic America Credits: (3)
- HIST 562 - Modern Mexico Credits: (3)

Human Ecology

- FSHS 552 - Families and Diversity Credits: (3)

Journalism and Mass Communications

- MC 531 - Communication, Diversity, and Social Change Credits: (3)
Kinesiology

- KIN 703 - Minority Groups in Sport Credits: (3)
- KIN 796 - Topics in Exercise Physiology Credits: (3)
  (Cultural Competency)

Modern Languages

- SPAN 430 - Hispanic Readings Credits: (3)
- SPAN 550 - Introduction to Literature in Spanish Credits: (3)
- SPAN 560 - Introduction to U.S. Latino/a Literature and Culture in Spanish Credits: (3)
- SPAN 565 - Spanish Civilization Credits: (3)
- SPAN 566 - Spanish American Civilization Credits: (3)
- SPAN 567 - Literature of Spain Credits: (3)
- SPAN 568 - Literature of Spanish America Credits: (3)
- SPAN 569 - Special Studies in Spanish Credits: (Variable)
- SPAN 760 - U.S. Latino/a Literature and Culture in Spanish Credits: (3)
- SPAN 768 - Hispanic Cinema Credits: (3)
- SPAN 772 - Spain Today Credits: (3)
- SPAN 773 - Spanish America Today Credits: (3)
- SPAN 776 - History of the Spanish Language Credits: (3)

Music

- MUSIC 245 - Introduction to American Music Credits: (3)
- MUSIC 420 - History of Jazz Credits: (3)
- MUSIC 421 - Salsa: Afro-Cuban Music of the Past and Present Credits: (3)
- MUSIC 424 - Jazz in Kansas City and the Southwest Credits: (2-3)
- MUSIC 425 - Topics in Jazz Credits: (Variable)
Political Science

- POLSC 333 - World Politics Credits: (3)
- POLSC 135 - Introduction to Comparative Politics Credits: (3)
- POLSC 505 - South Asian Civilizations Credits: (3)
- POLSC 511 - Contemporary Chinese Politics Credits: (3)
- POLSC 545 - The Politics of Developing Nations Credits: (3)
- POLSC 621 - West European Politics Credits: (3)
- POLSC 622 - Latin American Politics Credits: (3)
- POLSC 623 - South Asian Politics Credits: (3)
- POLSC 624 - Middle East Politics Credits: (3)
- POLSC 626 - African Politics Credits: (3)
- POLSC 627 - Eastern and Central European Politics Credits: (3)
- POLSC 630 - Politics of Russia and the Former Soviet Union Credits: (3)
- POLSC 642 - International Conflict Credits: (3)

Sociology

- SOCIO 535 - Population Dynamics Credits: (3)
- SOCIO 633 - Gender, Power, and International Development Credits: (3)
- SOCIO 670 - Diversity and Social Interaction in the Workplace Credits: (3)
- SOCIO 738 - International Migration Credits: (3)
- SOCIO 742 - Society and Change in South Asia Credits: (3)

Communication Studies, Theatre and Dance

- THTRE 363 Integrating Cultural Diversity with Stories and Style Credits: (3)
- COMM 480 - Intercultural Communication Credits: (3)
- THTRE 672 - American Ethnic Theatre Credits: (3)
Women's Studies

- WOMST 205 - Gender, Ethnicity, and Class Credits: (3)
- WOMST 700 - Advanced Topics in Women's Studies Credits: (1-3) (Politics of Women of Color)

Total credit hours required for graduation: (120)