

ETHNIC STUDIES

Program Purpose: Students of Ethnic Studies learn to reframe and centralize the experiences of African Americans, Asian Americans, Chicano-Latinos, and Native Americans in the United States. Not just a passive study, Ethnic Studies emphasize resistance and liberation in order to eliminate all forms of injustice and racial oppression.

The Ethnic Studies department at Moorpark College offers courses that introduce students to the discipline. Students who take these courses are better-informed American citizens and are uniquely positioned to enter an increasingly diverse workforce. Ethnic Studies courses fulfill general education and transfer requirements and are essential building blocks in a variety of degrees.

ETHS M01 Introduction to Chicana/o Studies 3 Units

In-Class Hours: 52.5 lecture

Provides an interdisciplinary survey of Chicana/o culture and heritage through the centuries with an emphasis on the contemporary experience in the United States. Analyzes the economic, political, social, artistic and intellectual elements of the Chicana/o community, and studies the changing roles of the Chicana/o in American society.

Grade Modes: Letter Graded, Student Option- Letter/Credit, Pass/No Pass Grading

Field Trips: May be required

Degree Applicability: Applies to Associate Degree

AA/AS GE: B2, F

Transfer Credit: CSU, UC

UC Credit Limitations: None

CSU GE-Breadth: D, F

IGETC: 4, 7

ETHS M10 Introduction to African American Studies 3 Units

In-Class Hours: 52.5 lecture

Provides an interdisciplinary survey of African American culture and heritage from the 1600s to the present. Analyzes the economic, political, social, artistic and intellectual elements of the African American community. Explores concepts such as racialization, the intersection of class and gender, white supremacy and liberation while paying particular attention to the significant impact that African Americans have had on American culture as a whole.

Grade Modes: Letter Graded, Pass/No Pass Grading

Field Trips: May be required

Degree Applicability: Applies to Associate Degree

AA/AS GE: B2, F

Transfer Credit: CSU, UC

UC Credit Limitations: None

CSU GE-Breadth: D, F

IGETC: 4, 7

ETHS M20 Introduction to Asian American and Pacific Islander Studies 3 Units

In-Class Hours: 52.5 lecture

Provides an interdisciplinary survey of Asian American and Pacific Islander culture and heritage with an emphasis on the contemporary experience in the United States. Analyzes the economic, political, social, artistic and intellectual elements of the AAPI community. Explores concepts such as racialization, the intersection of class and gender, immigration, activism and resistance.

Grade Modes: Letter Graded, Student Option- Letter/Credit, Pass/No Pass Grading

Field Trips: May be required

Degree Applicability: Applies to Associate Degree

AA/AS GE: None

Transfer Credit: CSU, UC

UC Credit Limitations: None

CSU GE-Breadth: None

IGETC: None

ETHS M40 Introduction to Ethnic Studies 3 Units

In-Class Hours: 52.5 lecture

Introduces foundational concepts and theories of the Ethnic Studies discipline by focusing on the four historically racialized groups in the United States: Native Americans, African Americans, Asian Americans and the Chicana/o community. Explores the social and political construction of race and ethnicity and emphasizes liberation, self-determination, and contemporary activism.

Grade Modes: Letter Graded, Pass/No Pass Grading

Field Trips: May be required

Degree Applicability: Applies to Associate Degree

AA/AS GE: B2, F

Transfer Credit: CSU, UC

UC Credit Limitations: None

CSU GE-Breadth: D, F

IGETC: 4, 7

ETHS M50 Introduction to Central American Studies 3 Units

In-Class Hours: 52.5 lecture

Examines the rich heritage of the Central American people with emphasis on the social, economic, political, and cultural experiences in the United States. Explores the diversity of issues informed by race, gender, ethnicity, environments, and social classes in the Central American communities. Considers the question of whether there can be a single Central American identity in light of the great variety of experiences.

Grade Modes: Letter Graded, Student Option- Letter/Credit, Pass/No Pass Grading

Field Trips: May be required

Degree Applicability: Applies to Associate Degree

AA/AS GE: None

Transfer Credit: CSU, UC

UC Credit Limitations: None

CSU GE-Breadth: None

IGETC: None

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