

COURSES:

African American History Through Film (HS 359)

Explores major themes in African American history through the medium of film, supplemented by critical readings and primary sources. Students are introduced to significant developments, pivotal questions, and notable individuals who have contributed to the shape of the nation's history, society, and diverse culture. Representations of history and ideological content are examined, as well as the artistic techniques employed in historical films.

Faculty: TBD

Enrollment: 60 students

Department: History

Interdisciplinary Minors/Programs: African & African American Studies, Film Studies, American Studies and Global Studies

Applicable Immersion(s): Selma, AL

Consumer Behavior (MK 346D)

This course examines the internal and external factors that influence consumer behavior, as well as the decision-making processes of buyers. Students learn to identify the major ideas and processes that characterize the consumer field and to apply these in the development and implementation of marketing strategy. Topics include the influences of culture, subculture, social class, demographics, groups, learning, motivation, and attitudes, as well as the decision-making process. This course will also cover issues of domestic diversity, focusing on the marketplace experiences of historically disadvantaged groups (e.g., people of color, women, and those with low socio-economic status).

Faculty: Prof. Rebecca K. Trump

Enrollment: 90 students

Department: Marketing

Interdisciplinary Minors/Programs: Marketing

Applicable Immersion(s): Selma, AL

Cultural Anthropology (SC 104)

An introduction to anthropology through the study of diverse past and present cultures: hunting and gathering, horticultural, agrarian, industrial, and contemporary global culture patterns. Examines various anthropological approaches to understanding human behavior and highlights the insights other cultures offer about our own culture.

Faculty: Prof. William Sheppard

Enrollment: 30 students

Department: Sociology

Interdisciplinary Minors/Programs: Global Studies and Environmental & Sustainability Studies

Applicable Immersion(s): Apopka, FL, Arizona-Mexico Border, Baltimore, MD, Selma, AL, & Wheeling, WV

Documentary Production (CM 374)

An advanced video production course focused on producing documentaries on domestic diversity topics. Students research, write, shoot, edit, and present to the public.

Faculty: Prof. April Newton

Enrollment: 18 students

Department: Communication

Interdisciplinary Minors/Programs: African & African American Studies

Applicable Immersion(s): Apopka, FL, Arizona-Mexico Border, Baltimore, MD, Selma, AL, & Wheeling, WV

Education in U.S. Society (SC 105)

Examines the impact of social context (family, community, school system) and social location (ethnicity/race, gender, social class) on education in the urban United States. Students are encouraged to reflect critically on topics such as the dynamics of race, class, and gender in education; the impact of cultural/social capital on educational outcomes; and the changing roles of private and parochial education.

Faculty: Prof. H Lovell Smith

Enrollment: 60 students

Department: Sociology

Interdisciplinary Minors/Programs: African & African American Studies

Applicable Immersion(s): Selma, AL

Environmental Biology (BL 111)

An integrated study of environmental problems, connections and solutions. Environmental issues are explored by combining information from the natural sciences with ideas from the social sciences. Topics include ecosystem functioning, sustaining biodiversity, climate change, conservation efforts, environmental risk, waste issues, food production, and energy resources. A variety of learning techniques are used including debates, student presentations, field trips, service activities, timely readings, group discussions, and weekly laboratory work. Fulfills the natural science core requirement for nonscience majors.

Faculty: Prof. Steven Lane

Enrollment: 60 students

Department: Biology

Interdisciplinary Minors/Programs: Environmental & Sustainability Studies

Applicable Immersion(s): Wheeling, WV

Environmental Ethics (PL 314)

An investigation of the relationship between human beings and the natural world, with attention to the ethical dimensions of our life-style and environmental policies. Students explore their obligations to the nonhuman world and to future generations. Fulfills ethics core requirement. Prerequisite: PL 201 and one additional PL 200-level course.

Faculty: Prof. Meghan Page

Enrollment: 30 students

Department: Philosophy

Interdisciplinary Minors/Programs: Environmental & Sustainability Studies and Global Studies

Applicable Immersion(s): Wheeling, WV

International Politics (PS 365)

Students are introduced to the main arguments about the causes of war and peace in today's world. The course covers current debates over whether conflict will continue to occur among states; the role of human rights; and if globalization and trade will bring more cooperation to the world stage.

Faculty: Prof. Moira Lynch

Enrollment: 30 students

Department: Political Science

Interdisciplinary Minors/Programs: Global Studies

Applicable Immersion(s): El Salvador

Liberation Theology: Roots, Branches, and Critiques (TH 370)

Liberation theology emerged as one of the most important theological movements of the 20th century. From its beginning, this movement has focused especially on explicating what it means to follow Jesus in a world marked by staggering poverty and structural injustice. In this course we will: examine the social and ecclesial contexts out of which liberation theology was born; consider closely several seminal liberationist texts; analyze various critiques of liberation theology and; consider the present and future of the movement.

The course is divided into three parts. In the first part, we introduce important themes of liberation theology including the crucial concept of “the preferential option for the poor.” In part two we consider closely the thought of Gustavo Gutiérrez, one of the most important theologians of the twentieth century and the seminal thinker within liberation theology. In the final part of the course we focus especially on ways that liberationists have interpreted key areas and categories of Christian theology.

Faculty: Prof. Dan Castillo

Enrollment: 15 students

Departments: Theology

Interdisciplinary Minors/Programs: Latin American & Latino Studies, Global Studies, and Peace & Justice Studies

Applicable Immersion(s): El Salvador

Philosophical Perspectives: Gender and Nature (PL 232)

This course examines the history of Western concepts of nature and science with particular attention to how ideas about hierarchy, gender, and violence have affected our relationship to the natural world.

Prerequisite: PL 201.

Faculty: Prof. Dale Snow

Enrollment: 28 Students

Department: Philosophy

Interdisciplinary Minors/Programs: Environmental & Sustainability Studies and Gender & Sexuality Studies

Applicable Immersion(s): Wheeling, WV

Transgression and Transformation in Multiethnic U.S. Literature (EN 388 Seminar)

This course examines how life is sustained, nurtured, sparked, and transformed through imaginative and frequently transgressive responses to racialized trauma. Authors will include M. NourbeSe Phillips,

Theresa Hak Young Cha, Ana Castillo, Luis Valdez, Leslie Marmon Silko, Zora Neale Hurston, George Herriman, and Charles Chesnutt. Course requirements: active participation in class (including leading one class session), weekly discussion/blog posts, final seminar project. The seminar project may take the form of an independent research paper or a service-learning project. The service-learning option will require students to engage in approximately 20 hours of off-campus service to a local organization.

Prerequisites: EN101 and EN200-level core.

Faculty: Prof. Jean Lee Cole

Enrollment: 14 students

Department: English

Interdisciplinary Minors/Programs: African & African American Studies and American Studies

Applicable Immersion(s): Apopka, FL, Arizona-Mexico Border, & Selma, AL

Socially Responsible Marketing (MK 448)

Students will develop an understanding of the economic, psychological, and philosophical foundations for analyzing ethical questions in marketing management. A large portion of class time will be spent on in-class activities and case discussion. Ethical decision making in marketing requires complex trade-offs that include consideration of immediate and long-term costs and benefits to the decision-maker, his/her organization, customers, the community, and the world at large. Students are expected to acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to effectively make such decisions in the future (as managers, customers, and citizens).

Faculty: Prof. Rebecca K. Trump

Enrollment: 25 students

Department: Marketing

Interdisciplinary Minors/Programs: Marketing

Applicable Immersion(s): Apopka, FL & Arizona-Mexico Border

The Politics of Globalization (PS 357)

In globalization flows of people, ideas, and resources across state borders affect politics, power, and wealth in often unpredictable ways. Through film, supplemented by written texts, students study transnational issues such as international trade, the environment, social movements, and immigration.

Faculty: Prof. Mary Kate Schneider

Enrollment: 15 students

Department: Political Science

Interdisciplinary Minors/Programs: Global Studies

Applicable Immersion(s): Apopka, FL, Arizona-Mexico Border, Baltimore, MD, El Salvador, Selma, AL, & Wheeling, WV

The Stranger: Literature and the Ethics of Hospitality (EN 101-11SL & EN 101-14SL)

This course is designed as an introduction to literature through stories of migration, exile, and refuge. The story of the stranger—and how to treat the stranger—is a very old one in literature and it provokes questions that are central to the humanities. What are my moral obligations to someone in need? What are the limits of those obligations? How do I reconcile the differences between my own life experience and that of “the stranger”? These questions take on increasing urgency in the 21st century with the array of refugee crises happening around the globe. Our course themes overlap with the Ignatian Solidarity

Network's current "Campaign for Hospitality," which challenges us to embrace the stranger, in part, by sharing in their stories.

Faculty: Prof. Stephen Park

Enrollment: 40 students (2 sections with 20 students each)

Department: English

Interdisciplinary Minors/Programs: N/A

Applicable Immersion(s): Apopka, FL & Arizona-Mexico Border

Violence and Holiness in Twentieth-Century El Salvador (HS 395 / TH 204)

What does holiness look like in the midst of massive suffering and injustice? In reflecting upon this question, this course explores the life and ministry of Saint Oscar Romero within the historical context of El Salvador. NOTE: This course fulfills both the second theology and history core requirement. To register, students must have taken TH201 and one HS100-level course.

Faculty: Profs. Dan Castillo & David Carey Jr.

Enrollment: 80 students

Departments: History & Theology (Fulfills 2 Core Curriculum Requirements)

Interdisciplinary Minors/Programs: Latin American & Latino Studies, Global Studies, and Peace & Justice Studies

Applicable Immersion(s): Apopka, FL, Arizona-Mexico Border, & El Salvador

Writing about the Environment (WR 354)

This is a discussion-based, nonfiction writing course exploring representations of the American environment. Through analyses of film, poetry, nonfiction, news articles, webpages, scholarly articles, advertisements, and other cultural texts, we'll explore what myths influence American perceptions of the environment. We'll consider how our lifestyles impact the environment, what is just, and what is sustainable. Students write creative and critical pieces, participate in one group project, and submit a final portfolio of polished writing. Whether you prefer the great outdoors or the great indoors, the city or the country, this course is ideal if you enjoy learning about American culture, envision a career in creative writing, law, business, journalism, or science, or if you simply want to hone your writing skills.

Prerequisite: WR 100. A background in science is not required.

Faculty: Prof. Terre Ryan

Enrollment: 16 students

Department: Writing

Interdisciplinary Minors/Programs: American Studies, Environmental & Sustainability Studies, and Peace & Justice Studies

Applicable Immersion(s): Wheeling, WV

Wrongful Convictions (PY 418 / PY 419)

This research seminar is an exploration of conditions that may lead to wrongful convictions including eyewitness memory, interrogation techniques/lie detection, plea bargaining, faulty use of forensic science, and juror decisions. Additionally, the course will explore conditions of confinement and re-entry. You will read and critique seminal and cutting-edge research at the intersection of psychology and law. This research seminar is ideal for students who want to work in fields of forensic science, psychology, law, law enforcement, public policy, criminology, or social work. The seminar will provide training that

will be particularly useful for students who want to attend graduate school in social science or law school.

It is strongly encouraged that you plan to take both the fall section and spring section to truly gain the research experience you will need to advance your career whether directly in psychology or in related disciplines. You will need to get instructor permission to register for this course. If you are interested in taking a PY418/PY419 course next year you should reach out to Professor Carlucci. You will not need to register for the course yourself. The instructor for the course will give Traci Martino a list of students to register for the course. Offered Fall 2019 and Spring 2020

Faculty: Prof. Marianna Carlucci

Enrollment: 16 students

Department: Psychology

Interdisciplinary Minors/Programs: Forensic Studies minor/major

Applicable Immersion(s): Baltimore, MD; Selma, AL

INTERDISCIPLINARY MINORS/PROGRAMS:

- [*African & African American Studies Minor*](#)
- [*American Studies Minor*](#)
- [*Environmental & Sustainability Studies Minor*](#)
- [*Forensic Studies Minor*](#)
- [*Gender & Sexuality Studies Minor*](#)
- [*Global Studies, B.A.*](#)
- [*Latin American & Latino Studies Minor*](#)
- [*Peace & Justice Studies Minor*](#)