ETHNIC STUDIES (ETHS) COURSES

ETHS 100 3 Units
Introduction to Ethnic Studies
Lecture: 54 contact hours
Advisory: ENGL 101 or ENGL 101H
This inter-disciplinary course explores the ways that ethnicity, race, and racism shape the experiences of people of color in the United States. Introduces students to both historical and current inequalities founded upon the social construction of race, class, and gender. Addresses how different means of resistance and social movements by various groups worked in the hopes of achieving social justice.
Associate Degree Applicable
Transfers to both UC/CSU

ETHS 103 3 Units
Ethnicity and Identity in Media
Lecture: 54 contact hours
Advisory: ENGL 101 or ENGL 101H
This course explores the impact of identity on film as an art form and cultural artifact by confronting ideologies of race, class, gender, and sexual orientation as they are reflected in cinematic representation. American film is used as the primary lens through which to view how social, political, and cultural values have been formulated over the last century. Students analyze major films, figures, character types, and narrative strategies to evaluate the relationship between film and identity. (This course is also offered as FTVM 103)
Associate Degree Applicable
Transfers to both UC/CSU

ETHS 107 3 Units
Native American Experiences in U.S. History
Lecture: 54 contact hours
Advisory: ENGL 101 or ENGL 101H
This course is a history of Native Americans in the region of the current day United States from the time preceding European colonialism to the present. The course content will be presented from a Native American perspective, emphasizing colonialism, removal, assimilation, termination, and self determination. (This course is also offered as HIST 107)
Associate Degree Applicable
Transfers to both UC/CSU

ETHS 107H 3 Units
Native American Experiences in U.S. History - Honors
Lecture: 54 contact hours
Prerequisite: ENGL 101 or ENGL 101H
This course is a history of Native Americans in the region of the current day United States from the time preceding European colonialism to the present. The course content will be presented from a Native American perspective, emphasizing colonialism, removal, assimilation, termination, and self determination. This course is intended for students in the Honors Program, but is open to all students who desire more challenging work. (This course is also offered as HIST 107H)
Associate Degree Applicable
Transfers to both UC/CSU

ETHS 108 3 Units
Introduction to Native American Studies
Lecture: 54 contact hours
This course provides an introduction to the field of Native American Studies. It emphasizes the agency, struggles, and social justice efforts of Native Americans in the United States. Topics covered include Native cultural and intellectual traditions; racialization and intersectionality; antiracism and decolonization; and the relationship between Western scientific practices and Native American experiences. (This course is also offered as ANTHRO 108)
Associate Degree Applicable
Transfers to both UC/CSU

ETHS 120 3 Units
Health and Social Justice
Lecture: 54 contact hours
This course is a multidisciplinary introduction to the health inequities faced mainly by the four historically racialized groups and stemming from unequal living conditions. Included is an examination of the intersectionality between race and ethnicity, and gender, sexual orientation, location, and socioeconomic status as they relate to disproportionate health outcomes, epidemics, and policy development. Medical systems, public health issues, health care access, and public health policies will be studied. Advocacy for health and social justice will be practiced. This course is recommended for students preparing for healthcare and mental health careers. (This course is also offered as SOC 120)
Associate Degree Applicable
Transfers to both UC/CSU
C-ID: PHS 102

ETHS 137 3 Units
Experiences of Racial and Ethnic Groups in U.S. History
Lecture: 54 contact hours
Advisory: ENGL 101 or ENGL 101H
This course is an introduction to United States history focusing on the experiences of racial and ethnic groups that spans from the early colonial period to present times. This course presents a comparative approach to understanding various racial and ethnic groups and their experiences through major social, political, economic, and cultural events in United States history. (This course is also offered as HIST 137)
Associate Degree Applicable
Transfers to both UC/CSU

ETHS 138 3 Units
The African American Experience in U.S. History to 1877
Lecture: 54 contact hours
Advisory: ENGL 101 or ENGL 101H
As a general survey of the African-American experience in United States history to 1877, this course will analyze and detail the creation and development of African-American culture. This course examines key historical events and movements, such as the Atlantic slave trade, colonial and antebellum slavery, slave resistance, and the socio-economic conditions of free Blacks in the United States. (This course is also offered as HIST 138)
Associate Degree Applicable
Transfers to both UC/CSU

ETHS 139 3 Units
The African American Experience in U.S. History From 1877
Lecture: 54 contact hours
Advisory: ENGL 101 or ENGL 101H
This course will emphasize the various social, political, and economic forces that have shaped the African American experience from Reconstruction to the current time period. Topics include the post Reconstruction South, the Great Migration, the Harlem Renaissance, the Civil Rights Movement, the conservative backlash , and the trials and triumphs of the 21st century. (This course is also offered as HIST 139)
Associate Degree Applicable
Transfers to both UC/CSU

ETHS 140 3 Units
Chicano Experiences in U.S. History
Lecture: 54 contact hours
Advisory: ENGL 101 or ENGL 101H
This course is a history of Chicanos in the region of the current day United States from the time preceding European colonialism to the present. The course content will be presented from a Chicano perspective, emphasizing colonialism, assimilation, discrimination, patterns of racist policies, cultural affirmation and resistance. (This course is also offered as HIST 140)
Associate Degree Applicable
Transfers to both UC/CSU

ETHS 140H 3 Units
Chicano Experiences in U.S. History - Honors
Lecture: 54 contact hours
Prerequisite: ENGL 101 or ENGL 101H
This course is a history of Chicanos in the region of the current day United States from the time preceding European colonialism to the present. The course content will be presented from a Chicano perspective, emphasizing colonialism, assimilation, discrimination, patterns of racist policies, cultural affirmation and resistance. This course is intended for students working in the Honors Program, but is open to all students who desire more challenging work. (This course is also offered as HIST 140H)
Associate Degree Applicable
Transfers to both UC/CSU

ETHS 141 3 Units
Race and Ethnic Relations
Lecture: 54 contact hours
This course is a sociological and interdisciplinary examination of racial and ethnic groups in American society. Topics include historical and contemporary events and practices that have institutionalized racism including the social struggles of the four racialized core groups, with a focus on introductory concepts of ethnic studies, intersectionality, and anti-racist approaches toward social justice and equity. (This course is also offered as SOC 141)
Associate Degree Applicable
Transfers to both UC/CSU
C-ID: SOCI 150

ETHS 141H 3 Units
Race and Ethnic Relations - Honors
Lecture: 54 contact hours
Prerequisite: ENGL 101 or ENGL 101H
This course is a sociological and interdisciplinary examination of racial and ethnic groups in American society. Topics include historical and contemporary events and practices that have institutionalized racism including the social struggles of the four racialized core groups, with a focus on introductory concepts of ethnic studies, intersectionality, and anti-racist approaches toward social justice and equity. This course is intended for students in the Honors Program but is open to all students who desire more challenging course work. (This courses is also offered as SOC 141H)
Associate Degree Applicable
Transfers to both UC/CSU
C-ID: SOCI 150

ETHS 142 3 Units
Experiences of Asian Americans in U.S. History
Lecture: 54 contact hours
Advisory: ENGL 101 or ENGL 101H
This course provides a survey of United States history from the Asian American perspective, with an emphasis on the 1840s to the 21st century. The course content will be presented from an Asian American perspective, emphasizing the various waves of Asian migration, labor exploitation, anti- immigrant movements, racist governmental policies, and the Model Minority status. (This course is also offered as HIST 142)
Associate Degree Applicable
Transfers to both UC/CSU

ETHS 163 3 Units
Chicana/o Literature
Lecture: 54 contact hours
Prerequisite: ENGL 101 or ENGL 101H
This course is a survey of Chicana/o literature, including novels, drama, poetry, and essays. The course explores concepts of Chicana/o identity, race and racism, and how these themes characterize Chicana/o culture and literary expression. It also examines important social, cultural, and political movements that have influenced and continue to shape the Chicana/o community. (This course is also offered as ENGL 163)
Associate Degree Applicable
Transfers to both UC/CSU

ETHS 165 3 Units
African-American Literature
Lecture: 54 contact hours
Prerequisite: ENGL 101 or ENGL 101H
This course is a comprehensive examination of African American literature, including prose, poetry, and fiction, from the early oral tradition to present. The course also explores concepts of race, racism, and ethnicity that are manifest in African American literature, and will examine identity as it relates to finding national identity, losing a given, forced identity and acceptance of identity that is foreign to personal history. (This course is also offered as ENGL 165)
Associate Degree Applicable
Transfers to both UC/CSU