Ethnic Studies





Curious about the racial and ethnic realities of America? Wondering how race and ethnicity plays out in the global contexts of migration and Christianity? Want to pursue racial justice, equity and healing in your community context?

A minor in Ethnic Studies will equip you to understand the cultural, historical, political, religious, and social dimensions of a variety of racial and ethnic groups. This minor will help you explore how U.S. and global systems of power are rooted in racial and ethnic constructs, and equip you to grapple with the place of race within Christianity and the Christian church. Get trained in the knowledge and skills you need to lead faithfully in the pluralistic environment that is our contemporary world, and to work for social change that promotes justice and equity.

SELECTED COURSES

- Introduction to Ethnic Studies
- Sociology of Race and Ethnicity
- Peoples and Cultures
- Ethnicity and Race in American Literature
- Cultural Psychology
- Gender and Ethnicity on the American Stage
- International Rhetoric

CAREER PATHS

All fields and organizations in our contemporary world will welcome the knowledge and skills of a college graduate with an Ethnic Studies minor. The coursework will especially be relevant for careers in education; medicine and public health; business, finance, and sales; law and politics; criminal justice and law enforcement; religion and ministry; social work and counseling; media, technology, and the arts.



FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS



DINORA CARDOSO, PH.D.

A literary scholar of contemporary Latin American novels with particular interests in history, gender, and race



KYA MANGRUM, PH.D.

Scholar of 19th century American Literature, African-American literature, and media studies



MEREDITH WHITNAH, PH.D.

A sociologist who studies race, gender, and religion in the U.S. and South Africa



CARMEL SAAD, PH.D.

A pyscologist who examines the strategies that can be employed to disrupt the negative impact of implicit bias on judgments, decisions, and behavior.



ALASTAIR SU, PH.D.

A historian who specializes in U.S. political economy, slavery, abolition, migration, and U.S.-China relations



OPPORTUNITIES ABROAD

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