

Ethnic Studies

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The Ethnic Studies minor complements McKendree's more traditional liberal arts majors as well as its professional courses of study. This minor benefits students in professional programs seeking knowledge to enhance a selected career path just as much as students in traditional liberal arts contemplating graduate study in their fields. Students from all majors would thrive with an Ethnic Studies minor. Individuals who complete this program will gain comparative insight into how scholars from different disciplines—including history, religion, sociology, literature, writing, communication, and psychology—pose and answer questions about race and ethnicity.

Students who minor in Ethnic Studies will enroll in a variety of courses designed to help them understand the construction and functioning of ethnicity both in the United States and in a global context. By the end of their studies, students should be able to (a) analyze diverse ethnic communities in a sympathetic and even-handed manner; (b) explain how racial/ethnic heritage can influence the way people understand and relate to the world around them; (c) discuss the effects of racial/ethnic prejudice in American society, including their own lives; (d) function more effectively as citizens in our increasingly pluralistic society; and (e) relate more empathetically to people from diverse racial/ethnic backgrounds.

To minor in Ethnic Studies:

1. Students must take six courses for a total of eighteen credit hours. Students must also earn a cumulative GPA of 2.25 or better in courses applied to the minor.
2. Students can take no more than six hours from any one discipline.
3. At least six hours must be at the upper division level.
4. Relevant internship hours may be substituted for three hours of the minor requirements.

ETHNIC STUDIES MINOR REQUIREMENTS

18 crs.

HIS 276

or

HIS 376 MINORITIES IN THE AMERICAN EXPERIENCE (3)

Additional 15 hours from the following:

ANT 149	CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY	(3)
ENG 252	ETHNIC LITERATURE	(3)
ENG 253	THE LITERATURE OF POST-COLONIAL CULTURES	(3)
HIS 277/377	AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY	(3)
MGT/		
MKT 340	INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS	(3)
MUS 265	MUSIC AND WORLD CULTURES	(3)
PSI 210	INTRODUCTION TO WORLD POLITICS	(3)
PSI 220	COMPARATIVE GOVERNMENT	(3)
REL 312	RELIGION AND RACE	(3)
REL 320	RELIGIONS OF THE WORLD	(3)
SOC 360	RACE AND ETHNIC RELATIONS	(3)

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