

<b>FAU</b> <b>FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY</b>	<b>NEW/CHANGE PROGRAM REQUEST</b> <b>Undergraduate Programs</b>		UUPC Approval <u>2/24/25</u> UFS Approval _____ Banner _____ Catalog _____
	Department <u>N/A</u> College <u>Wilkes Honors College</u>		
<b>Program Name</b> Concentration in American Studies		<input type="checkbox"/> <b>New Program*</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Change Program*</b>	<b>Effective Date</b> (TERM & YEAR) Fall 2025
<p><b>Please explain the requested change(s) and offer rationale below or on an attachment.</b></p> <p>Add AML 4611 Honors Afrofuturism to the list of "Ethnic Studies" elective courses.</p> <p>Add AML 4321 Honors Major American Authors: 20th Century to the list of "American Literature" elective courses.</p>			
<p><small>*All new programs and changes to existing programs must be accompanied by a catalog entry showing the new or proposed changes.</small></p>			
<b>Faculty Contact/Email/Phone</b> Sondra Washington / swashington@fau.edu / 799-8818		<b>Consult and list departments that may be affected by the change(s) and attach documentation</b>	
<b>Approved by</b> Department Chair <u>[Signature]</u> College Curriculum Chair <u>Terje Hill</u> College Dean <u>[Signature]</u> UUPC Chair <u>Korey Sorge</u> Undergraduate Studies Dean <u>Dan Macroff</u> UFS President _____ Provost _____		<b>Date</b> <u>2/11/25</u> <u>2-11-2025</u> <u>2/11/25</u> <u>2/24/25</u> <u>2/24/25</u> _____ _____	

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# CONCENTRATION IN AMERICAN STUDIES

Students must earn a "C" or better in each course taken to fulfill a concentration requirement.

## Program Overview

The American Studies Concentration is designed to provide students with an interdisciplinary background in American society and culture. Areas of study may include: history, literature, politics, gender studies, women's studies, Latin-American studies, African-American studies, Native-American Studies, cultural studies, social sciences, environmental studies, rhetoric, film and media studies, art, and music. The program is designed to help students draw connections and build bridges between the diverse aspects of the American experience, past and present.

The American Studies Concentration hones students' proficiencies in a variety of skills, including reading, writing, and critical thinking. It prepares students for careers in business, education, journalism, library science, communications, public relations, management, foreign service, social welfare, city planning, and government, as well as graduate and professional schools such as law. It also cultivates in students the flexible and integrated thinking necessary in a post-industrial, information-based economy and society.

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# Additional Course Information

## Available Options:

### CONCENTRATION IN AMERICAN STUDIES

		Credits
Honors Colloquium in American	AMS 3003	3
Studies Honors U.S. History to 1877	AMH 2010	3
Honors U.S. History from 1877	AMH 2020	3
American Literature		6
American Law or Government		3
Ethnic Studies		3
American Studies Electives		9
Honors Thesis ( <i>2 semesters</i> )	IDS 4970	6
Total Credits		36

### AMERICAN LITERATURE

		Credits
Honors American Literature to 1865	AML 2010	3
Honors American Literature, 1865-1945	AML 2022	3
Honors American Literature, 1945-Present	AMH 2053	3
Honors American Novel to 1900	AML 3111	3
Honors American Novel since 1900	AML 3121	3
Honors Major American Writers: 19th Century	AML 4310	3
Honors Major American Writers: 20th Century	AML 4321	3

### AMERICAN LAW AND GOVERNMENT

		Credits
Honors Government of the U.S.	POS 1041	3
Honors Law and American	POS 3691	3
Society Honors Constitutional	POS 4603	3
Law I Honors Constitutional Law	POS 4604	3
II Honors U.S. Presidency	POS 4414	3

Honors U.S. Congress	POS 4423	<b>Credits</b> 3
Honors American Legal Development	POS 4685	3

## ETHNIC STUDIES

Honors Cont. Multicult. Studies	HUM 3320	<b>Credits</b> 3
Honors Ethics of Social Diversity	PHI 2642	3
Honors Civil Rights Movement	AMH 4932	3
Honors African-American Literature	AML 4603	3
<b>Honors Afrofuturism</b>	<b>AML 4611</b>	<b>3</b>
Honors Native American Literature	AML 4640	3

## AMERICAN STUDIES ELECTIVES

These nine credits can be satisfied by courses listed above that are not otherwise counted for the concentration. Other courses offered at FAU may be used only with prior approval of the Concentration Advisor. Students are reminded that they need 42 credits of upper-level (3000 or 4000-level) coursework to graduate and should plan accordingly.

## SENIOR THESIS

The honors thesis is a manuscript of at least fifty pages, demonstrating the student's original contribution to his/her chosen area. The thesis will be written under the direction of a faculty advisor; students are expected to prepare for an oral presentation of the project.

## RESTRICTIONS:

At least half of the total coursework (15 credit hours) should be three-credit, upper-division (3000- or 4000-level) courses. Grades in all courses in the major must average "C" or higher; no course with a grade of "C-" or below will count in the requirements for the major.