


2024 - 2025 Major Map



Social and Cultural Analysis (American Studies), BA



School/College: New College of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences
ASSCAASBA



Term 1 0 - 16 Credit Hours Critical course signified by ⚠	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
<div> <div>⚠</div> <div>ENG 101 or ENG 102: First-Year Composition OR ENG 105: Advanced First-Year Composition OR ENG 107 or ENG 108: First-Year Composition</div> </div>	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ASU 101 or college-specific First-Year Seminar required of all first-year students. NEW 101 satisfies this requirement. IAS 300 (three credit hours) is required for all transfer students in New College. Select your Career Interest Community and play me3@ASU. Activate your Handshake account and build out your profile.
NEW 101: The ASU New College Experience OR IAS 300: Career Strategies and Personal Resilience (L or SB)	1-3		
Mathematics (MATH) (MAT 142 recommended)	3	C	
Humanities, Arts and Design (HUAD)	3		
Complete 2 courses:	6		
Elective			
Term hours subtotal:	16-18		
Term 2 16 - 32 Credit Hours Critical course signified by ⚠	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
<div> <div>⚠</div> <div>ENG 101 or ENG 102: First-Year Composition OR ENG 105: Advanced First-Year Composition OR ENG 107 or ENG 108: First-Year Composition</div> </div>	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students may elect to take AMS 201, ETH 100, PAX 230, or WST 100 in Term 3 depending on course availability. For questions, speak with an academic advisor. Create a first draft resume. Join a student club or professional organization. Secure a part-time job or volunteer experience.
AMS 201: Introduction to American Studies (L & C) OR ETH 100: Ethnic and Indigenous Lives (GCSI OR SB & C) OR PAX 230: Introduction to Peace Studies (G) OR WST 100: Women, Gender, and Society (SOBE OR SB & C)	3	C	
Humanities, Arts and Design (HUAD)	3		
Scientific Thinking in Natural Sciences (SCIT)	4		
Elective	3		
Complete ENG 101 OR ENG 105 OR ENG 107 course(s).			
Term hours subtotal:	16		
Term 3 32 - 47 Credit Hours Critical course signified by ⚠	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
<div> <div>⚠</div> <div>HRC 200: Introduction to Social and Cultural Analysis (CIVI OR SB & C)</div> </div>	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop your research skills. Develop your professional skills. Interested in pre-professional pathways? Explore our pre-health and pre-law websites.
Global Communities, Societies and Individuals (GCSI)	3		
Quantitative Reasoning (QTRS)	3		
Complete 2 courses:	6		
Elective			
Complete AMS 201 OR ETH 100 OR PAX 230 OR WST 100 course(s).			
Complete Mathematics (MATH) requirement.			
Complete First-Year Composition requirement.			
Term hours subtotal:	15		
Term 4 47 - 63 Credit Hours Critical course signified by ⚠	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes

 American Studies Concentration Course	3	C
Scientific Thinking in Natural Sciences (SCIT)	4	
Sustainability (SUST)	3	
Complete 2 courses:		
Elective	6	
Term hours subtotal:	16	

- Explore an **internship**, **IGLE international experience**, or **ASU Study Abroad**.

Term 5 63 - 78 Credit Hours Necessary course signified by 	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
 HRC 310: Social and Cultural Analysis: Method and Theory (SOBE OR C)	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thinking about graduate school? Consider registering for a grad school test prep course and explore accelerated masters degrees. • Develop your professional online presence.
Complete 2 courses:			
Upper Division American Studies Concentration Course	6	C	
American Institutions (AMIT)	3		
Upper Division Elective	3		
Term hours subtotal:	15		

Term 6 78 - 93 Credit Hours Necessary course signified by 	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
 Complete 2 courses:			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use Handshake to research employment opportunities. • Complete an in person or virtual practice interview.
Upper Division American Studies Concentration Course	6	C	
Upper Division Global and Civic Engagement Requirement: satisfied through completion of 6 credits of upper-division courses with a Global Communities, Societies and Individuals (GCSI) or Governance and Civic Engagement (CIVI) designation, in addition to the courses used to meet the university General Studies requirements; or completion of 3 credits from an ASU-approved Global Education program. Adjustment to upper-division and elective hours is required if a lower-division Global Education course is used.	3	C	
Complete 2 courses:			
Upper Division Elective	6-3		
Term hours subtotal:	15-12		

Term 7 93 - 108 Credit Hours Necessary course signified by 	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
 Upper Division American Studies Concentration Course	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gather professional references.
Upper Division Global and Civic Engagement Requirement: satisfied through completion of 6 credits of upper-division courses with a Global Communities, Societies and Individuals (GCSI) or Governance and Civic Engagement (CIVI) designation, in addition to the courses used to meet the university General Studies requirements; or completion of 3 credits from an ASU-approved Global Education program. Adjustment to upper-division and elective hours is required if a lower-division Global Education course is used.	3	C	
Upper Division Elective OR IAS 484: Internship	3		
Complete 2 courses:			
Elective	6		
Term hours subtotal:	15		

Term 8 108 - 120 Credit Hours Necessary course signified by 	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
 HRC 480: Capstone: Practices and Approaches (L)	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apply for full-time career opportunities.
Complete 2 courses:			
Upper Division American Studies Concentration Course	6	C	
Elective	3		
Term hours subtotal:	12		

- For the American Studies Concentration requirement, choose 24 credit hours (eight courses) from the course list below; 21 credit hours must be upper division.

Hide Course List(s)/Track Group(s)

American Studies Concentration Course
AMS 201: Introduction to American Studies (L & C)
AMS 276: U.S. Women's Movements (CIVI OR H & C)
AMS 326: Popular Culture
AMS 330: American Lives (HUAD OR HU & C)
AMS 332: Studies in Race and Ethnicity
AMS 334: Class in America (SB) or ETH 333: Class in America (SB) or WST 334: Class in America (SB)
AMS 336: The American Southwest in Literature and Film (HUAD OR HU & C)
AMS 353: African American Literature: Beginnings through the Harlem Renaissance ((L or HU) & C)
AMS 354: African American Literature: Harlem Renaissance to the Present (HUAD OR (L or HU) & C)
AMS 380: Race, Gender, and Class (SOBE OR SB & C)
AMS 412: Studies in American Politics and Law
AMS 428: Peoples and Cultures of the American West, to 1848 (SB & H)
AMS 449: Hate Speech, Manifestos, and Radical Writings (CIVI OR SB & C)
AMS 450: Latina/os, Schooling and Social Inequality (C)
AMS 469: Abject Bodies and the Politics of Trash (SB & C)
ENG 337: Major American Novels (L or HU)
FOR 454: History of Genocide (GCSI OR G & H) or HST 454: History of Genocide (GCSI OR G & H) or REL 454: History of Genocide (GCSI OR G & H)
HST 320: U.S. Urban History since 1850 (SB & H)
HST 413: Contemporary America (HUAD OR (L or SB) & H)

HST 419: 20th Century Chicano/a History
(C)

REL 321: Religion in America (HUAD OR
(L or HU) & C & H)

- **Total Hours:** 120
- **Upper Division Hours:** 45 minimum
- **University Undergraduate Graduation Requirements**

Notes:

Mathematics Placement Assessment score determines placement in first mathematics course.

General Studies designations listed next to courses on the major map were valid for the 2024 - 2025 academic year. Please refer to the course catalog for current General Studies designations at time of class registration. General Studies credit is applied according to the designation the course carries at the time the class is taken.