

Ethnic Studies (BA/BS)

Our department looks at the way that race is tied to many other issues, including gender, class, sexuality, migration, indigeneity, and colonialism. With our students, we investigate and critique examples of white supremacy, both historical and present. We focus not only on race in the United States, but also on migrations and diasporas (such as those that result from the slave trade, settler colonialism, and globalization).

Program Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this program, students will be able to:

- Understand the relationship of race and ethnicity to power and inequality, with special emphasis on intersections with class, gender, immigration, indigeneity and sexuality.
- Explain how white domination and a culture of white supremacy work historically and in the present to create legal, economic, social, and political hierarchies within and between racial and ethnic groups.
- Understand the racial formation of at least two groups within the U.S., including transnational connections when appropriate, from among the following: Native Americans, African American and other Black communities, Chicana/os and Latina/os, Asian Americans, and Pacific Islanders.
- Analyze conflicts, tensions, and building of effective intra- and intergroup coalitions and alliances among racial groups.
- Analyze cultural production generated by and about communities of color, especially as they speak to relationships of power.
- Articulate clearly, coherently, and convincingly the major concepts and theories in ethnic studies through critical writing and oral communication.
- Engage in original research that culminates in a research paper that reflects and utilizes a comprehensive understanding of ethnic studies methodologies and theories, synthesizes and applies knowledge from earlier ethnic studies coursework, and attends to the details of evidence and argumentation in knowledge production.
- Understand the principles of community-oriented action and research.

Ethnic Studies Major Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
Lower Division		
ES 101	Introduction to Ethnic Studies	4
Select one of the following:		4
ES 250	Introduction to Black Studies	
ES 252	Introduction to Asian American Studies	
ES 254	Introduction to Chicanx and Latinx Studies	
ES 256	Introduction to Native American Studies	
ES 258	Introduction to Pacific Islander Studies	
Additional 100- or 200-level course		4
Upper Division		
ES 301	Theoretical Perspectives in Ethnic Studies	4
Two 400-level courses		8
Six additional 300- or 400-level courses		24
Total Credits		48

Majors must construct their programs in consultation with an ethnic studies advisor. At least 24 of the required upper-division credits must

be taken in residence at the University of Oregon. Courses applied to the major must be taken for letter grades and passed with grades of mid-C or better. Majors must maintain a grade point average of at least 2.00 in courses applied to the major. Students majoring in ethnic studies may apply credits in Research: [Topic] (ES 401) and Reading and Conference: [Topic] (ES 405) toward their degree only if completed with letter grades of mid-C or better. Practicum: [Topic] (ES 406) may be applied toward the major on a graded or pass/no pass basis.

Four-Year Degree Plan

The degree plan shown is only a sample of how students may complete their degrees in four years. There are alternative ways. Students should consult their advisor to determine the best path for them.

Bachelor of Arts in Ethnic Studies

Course	Title	Credits	Milestones
First Year			
Fall			
ES 101	Introduction to Ethnic Studies	4	
WR 121Z	Composition I	4	
First term of first-year second-language sequence		4	
Elective course		4	
Credits		16	
Winter			
ES 250	Introduction to Black Studies	4	
or ES 252	or Introduction to Asian American		
or ES 254	Studies		
or ES 256	or Introduction to Chicanx and Latinx		
or ES 258	Studies		
	or Introduction to Native American		
	Studies		
	or Introduction to Pacific Islander		
	Studies		
Second term of first-year second-language sequence		4	
WR 122Z	Composition II	4	
Multicultural course		4	
Credits		16	
Spring			
Lower-division ethnic studies course		4	
Third term of first-year second-language sequence		4	
Multicultural course		4	
Elective course		4	
Credits		16	
Total Credits		48	
Second Year			
Fall			
Upper-division ethnic studies course		4	
First term of second-year second-language sequence		4	
General-education course in social science		4	
Elective course		4	
Credits		16	
Winter			
Upper-division ethnic studies course		4	

Second term of second-year second-language sequence	4
General-education course in social science	4
Elective course	4
Credits	16

Spring

Upper-division ethnic studies course	4
Third term of second-year second-language sequence	4
General-education course in social science	4
Elective course	4
Credits	16
Total Credits	48

Course	Title	Credits	Milestones
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Third Year

Fall

ES 301	Theoretical Perspectives in Ethnic Studies	4
General-education course in arts and letters		4
General-education course in science		4
Elective course		4
Credits		16

Winter

Upper-division ethnic studies course	4
General-education course in arts and letters	4
General-education course in social science	4
Elective course	4
Credits	16

Spring

Upper-division ethnic studies course	4
General-education course in arts and letters	4
General-education course in social science	4
Elective course	4
Credits	16
Total Credits	48

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Fourth Year

Fall

Upper-division course with an ES subject code	4
General-education course in social science	4
General-education course in arts and letters	4
General-education course in science	4
Credits	16

Winter

Three elective courses	12
400-level ethnic studies elective	4
Credits	16

Spring

Three elective courses	12
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400-level ethnic studies elective	4
Credits	16
Total Credits	48

Bachelor of Science in Ethnic Studies

Course	Title	Credits	Milestones
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First Year

Fall

ES 101	Introduction to Ethnic Studies	4
WR 121Z	Composition I	4
Mathematics course		4
Elective course		4
Credits		16

Winter

ES 250	Introduction to Black Studies	4
or ES 252	or Introduction to Asian American Studies	
or ES 254	or Introduction to Chicana and Latina Studies	
or ES 256	or Introduction to Chicanx and Latinx Studies	
or ES 258	or Introduction to Native American Studies	
	or Introduction to Pacific Islander Studies	
Mathematics course		4
WR 122Z	Composition II	4
Elective course		4
Credits		16

Spring

Lower-division ethnic studies course	4
Mathematics course	4
Elective courses	8
Credits	16
Total Credits	48

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Second Year

Fall

Upper-division ethnic studies course	4
Multicultural course	4
General-education course in social science	4
Elective course	4
Credits	16

Winter

Upper-division ethnic studies course	4
Multicultural course	4
General-education course in social science	4
Elective course	4
Credits	16

Spring

Upper-division ethnic studies course	4
General-education course in social science	4

Elective courses	8
Credits	16
Total Credits	48

Course	Title	Credits	Milestones
Third Year			
Fall			
ES 301	Theoretical Perspectives in Ethnic Studies	4	
	General-education course in arts and letters	4	
	General-education course in science	4	
	Elective course	4	
	Credits	16	
Winter			
	Upper-division ethnic studies course	4	
	General-education course in arts and letters	4	
	General-education course in science	4	
	Elective course	4	
	Credits	16	
Spring			
	Upper-division ethnic studies course	4	
	General-education course in arts and letters	4	
	General-education course in science	4	
	Elective course	4	
	Credits	16	
	Total Credits	48	

Course	Title	Credits	Milestones
Fourth Year			
Fall			
	Upper-division ethnic studies course	4	
	General-education course in social science	4	
	General-education course in arts and letters	4	
	General-education course in science	4	
	Credits	16	
Winter			
	Three elective courses	12	
	400-level ethnic studies elective	4	
	Credits	16	
Spring			
	Three elective courses	12	
	400-level ethnic studies elective	4	
	Credits	16	
	Total Credits	48	