

## B.A./B.S. in American Studies

# Clackamas Community College Transfer Guide

### American Studies: Program Overview

American studies is a major that encourages students to question and develop an understanding of America and American Culture. Interdisciplinary study in literature, history, arts, and political science (among others) provides students with a rigorous yet individualized program.

American studies majors go on to apply knowledge in a broad number of fields, sparking new thinking and practices in business, education, art, law, medicine and politics. Over and over again American studies graduates prove the immeasurable value and applicability of liberal arts training and education. We are certain that providing you with the skills and resources to think critically, globally and democratically is at the heart of what a modern university must do to achieve relevance for the world in which all of us live.

### Degree Requirements:

To complete a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) or Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in American Studies students must complete the following degree requirements:

- OSU Graduation Requirements
- Baccalaureate Core
- College of Liberal Arts Core
- BA or BS Requirements
- American Studies Core
- Option – select one
  - Pre-Law Studies
  - American Culture and Identities
  - Culture and Natural Environments

*This document details the degree requirements and the approved CCC transfer courses to meet these requirements. Please visit the OSU-Cascades American Studies program website for more details. Degree requirements are subject to change and dependent on catalog year in admission to OSU and major declaration.*

[osucascades.edu/academics/american-studies](https://osucascades.edu/academics/american-studies)

### Connect with OSU-Cascades Transfer Admissions Advisors for questions:

- <https://osucascades.edu/admissions/admissions-advising>
- Select your community college to find your Cascades Admissions Advisor
- Contact [Admit@osucascades.edu](mailto:Admit@osucascades.edu) for general admission questions.

## OSU Baccalaureate Core:

Find the approved list of CCC courses that complete Bacc Core at the following website:

<https://admissions.oregonstate.edu/baccalaureate-core-course-equivalencies-clackamas-community-college>

An AAOT or ASOT-Business degree will complete all Skills and Perspectives courses in the Bacc Core.

| Skills                                  | Non- AAOT Track                                 | AAOT track     |
|---|---|----------------|
| WR I                                    | WR 121Z English Comp                            | AAOT completes |
| WR II                                   | See CCC Bacc Core guide                         | AAOT completes |
| SPEECH                                  | See CCC Bacc Core guide                         | AAOT completes |
| Health / Fitness                        | See CCC Bacc Core guide                         | AAOT completes |
| Math                                    | MTH 105 or 111 (or higher)                      | AAOT completes |
| <b>Perspective</b>                      | <i>no more than 2 from 1 department allowed</i> |                |
| Physical Science                        | See CCC Bacc Core guide                         | AAOT completes |
| Biological Science                      | See CCC Bacc Core guide                         | AAOT completes |
| Phys/Bio Science                        | See CCC Bacc Core guide                         | AAOT completes |
| Cultural Diversity (CD)                 | See CCC Bacc Core guide                         | AAOT completes |
| Western Culture (WC)                    | See CCC Bacc Core guide                         | AAOT completes |
| Difference, Power, Discrimination (DPD) | <b>HST 201, 202, 203</b>                        | AAOT completes |
| Social Processes + Institutions (SP)    | See CCC Bacc Core guide                         | AAOT completes |
| Literature and Art (LA)                 | <b>ENG 253 or 253 in Major</b>                  | AAOT completes |
| <b>Synthesis</b>                        |   |                |
| Contemporary Global Issues (CGI)        | <b>AMS 350 in Major – double counts</b>         | OSU Only       |
| Science, Tech. and Society (STS)        | OSU Only  | OSU Only       |
| Writing Intensive Course (WIC)          | OSU Only (ENG 445 or 485 suggested)             | OSU Only       |

## College of Liberal Arts Core (CLA Core) Requirements

Courses in CLA Core can double count in Bacc Core or Major. One course cannot count in all 3 areas.

| CLA Core Requirement                 | CCC Transfer Course Options (more courses may be approved by advisor)  |
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| Fine Arts (3-4 cr) 1 class           | ART studio courses; TA dept. classes; MUS dept. courses; WR 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244.                      |
| Humanities (3-4 cr) 1 class          | <b>HST 201, 202, 203 in Major</b>  |
| Non-Western Culture (3-4 cr) 1 class | <b>ENG 360 in Major suggested</b>  |
| Social Science (3-4 cr) 1 class      | ANT dept. courses, EC dept, HST dept. courses, PS dept. courses, PSY dept. courses, SOC dept. courses ; WS 101 |
| Additional CLA Core (3-4cr) 1 class  | <b>ENG 386 in Major – double counts</b>  |

## BA or BS Requirements (select 1) B. Sci. courses cannot double count in Bacc Core.

| B.A. Requirements   | CCC Transfer Courses                                    |
|---|---|
| Second year proficiency in a second language with C- grade or better.               | Sample: SPAN 101, 102, 103, 201, 202, 203 (24 cr)       |
| <b>B.S. Requirements</b>  |   |
| <b>1 computer science (CS) course</b> approved by the student's advisor (3-4 cr)    | Samples: CIS or CS 100 or 200 level courses 3-4 credits |
| <b>1 course</b> from the College of Science except math or statistics (3-4 credits) | CoSci Depts. – BI, BOT, CH, ESR, G, GEO, GS, PH         |
| 2 courses in 200-level or higher Math or Statistics                                 |   |

## American Studies Major Core Requirements (53-54 credits)

Courses in the Major can double count in Bacc Core or CLA. One course cannot count in all 3 areas.

| Major Requirement (OSU)   | CCC Approved Transfer Courses:  |
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| ENG 253 (4) Survey of American Literature<br>or ENG 254 (4) Survey of American Literature   | ENG 253 (4) Survey of American Literature<br>or ENG 255 (4) Survey of American Literature   |
| Select <b>two</b> courses from the options below:<br>HST 201 (4) History of the United States<br>HST 202 (4) History of the United States<br>HST 203 (4) History of the United States | Select <b>two</b> courses from the options below:<br>HST 201 (4) History of the United States<br>HST 202 (4) History of the United States<br>HST 203 (4) History of the United States |
| AMS 350(4) American Culture, the Vietnam Experience   | OSU Only  |
| AMS 450 (4) Pragmatism and American Thought   | OSU Only  |
| AMS 406 (2) Projects: AMS Senior Portfolio  | OSU Only  |
| ART/ENG 386 (4) Cultural History of American Art and Lit  | OSU Only  |
| ART/ENG 387 (4) Cultural History of American Art and Lit  | OSU Only  |
| ART/ENG 388 (4) Cultural History of American Art and Lit  | OSU Only  |
| Select 12 Credits (3-4 classes) from the following options:<br>ENG 445 (4) ^ Studies in Non-Fiction <b>WIC</b><br>or ENG 485 (4) ^Studies in American Literature <b>WIC</b>           | OSU Only  |

## Specialty Options (21-23 Credits) *Option selection is required*

American Studies major select at least one specialty option to complete their major requirements. See below for courses that can double count in the Bacc Core or CLA Core sections. One course cannot count in all 3 sections.

### Pre-Law Studies (21cr)

American Studies is an excellent pathway to legal studies. This option provides a key knowledgebase for students who wish to apply to law school. This option teaches student to demonstrate ability to identify specific cultural tensions arising around freedoms protected by the first, second, and fourteenth amendments to the constitution. Students will articulate key concepts and events in American cultural history and their global impact.

| Course                | Title   | BC/CLA Core: | CCC Approved Transfer |
|-----------------------|---|--------------|-----------------------|
| COMM 114 (3cr)        | Argumentation and Critical Discourse  | BC: Speech   | COMM 114              |
| COMM 320 (3cr)        | Intro to Rhetorical Thought   |              | OSU Only              |
| ENG 416 (4cr)         | Power and Representation  |              | OSU Only              |
| PS 322 (4cr)          | Constitutional Law: Civil Rights and Liberties  | BC: DPD      | OSU Only              |
| PS 362 (4cr)          | American Political Thought  | BC: Soc Sci  | OSU Only              |
| PS 475<br>or SSCI 301 | Environmental Politics and Policy<br>Or Qualitative Research Methods for the Social Science |              | OSU Only              |

## American Culture and Identities (23cr)

The American Cultures and Identities Option brings the skills and methodologies taught in the American Studies core to bear especially on how identities are embedded in American publics, languages, communities, and literatures. This option investigates the role of key elements such as race, class, gender, national origin, sexual orientation, and social justice in the formation and understanding of American Culture and identities

| Course/Credits  | Title   | BC/CLA Core             | CCC Approved Transfer Course |
|---|---|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| ANTH 350 (4cr)  | Language, Culture and Society   | CLA: Soc Sci            | OSU Only                     |
| COMM 326 (3cr)<br>or COMM 427 (3cr)                                     | Intercultural Communication<br>or Cultural Codes in Communication   |                         | OSU Only                     |
| ENG 362 (4cr)<br>or ENG 497 (4cr)                                       | American Women Writers<br>or International Women Voices   | BC: Lit/Arts<br>BC: CGI | OSU Only                     |
| Select 2 from below:<br>ENG 212 (4cr)<br>ENG 221 (4cr)<br>ENG 360 (4cr) | Literature of the World – Meso/S. America, Caribbean<br>African-American Literature<br>Native American Literature | CLA: Non-W.<br>Culture  | OSU Only                     |
| ENG 416 (4cr)   | Power and Representation  |                         | OSU Only                     |

## Culture and Natural Environments (22cr)

In this option, students focus on the role of the built and natural environments in American culture. Both cultural and natural environments play a crucial part in the creation, continuity, and success or failure of American communities. This option studies the role of American cultures in their relation to the physical environment and the consequences of that relationship on local, national, and global scales. The intersections of social justice and environmental justice are key elements of investigation.

| Course        | Title  | BC/CLA Core: | CCC Approved Transfer |
|---------------|--|--------------|-----------------------|
| ENG 240 (4cr) | Introduction to Environmental Literature         |              | OSU Only              |
| ENG 482 (4cr) | American Literature, Culture and the Environment |              | OSU Only              |
| GEO 309 (3cr) | Environmental Justice                            | BC: DPD      | OSU Only              |
| PS 475 (4cr)  | Environmental Politics and Policy                |              | OSU Only              |
| SUS 420 (3cr) | Social Dimensions of Sustainability              |              | OSU Only              |
| WR 462 (4cr)  | Environmental Writing                            |              | OSU Only              |

## General American Studies (21cr)

American Studies electives selected with your advisor to reach 21 credits, from the following disciplines: AMS, ANTH, COMM, ENG, ES, HST, PS, WR.

| Course | Title | BC/CLA Core: | Term Planned | Grade |
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