

MAJOR IN ETHNIC STUDIES, COMMUNITY ORGANIZING AND INSTITUTIONAL CHANGE CONCENTRATION



The Community Organizing and Institutional Change concentration in the Ethnic Studies major offers students the opportunity to learn the history and methods diverse communities have used to seek civil

rights. With a focus on recognizing, listening, respectfully engaging, and effectively organizing community efforts to create a more equitable society, students will be able to help guide organizations and institutions. Through courses focused on policy, organizing, and institutional change, students will recognize and respond to contemporary issues.

Learning Objectives

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

1. Illustrate a critical understanding of structural, endemic, and institutional racism and discrimination.
2. Develop analytical skills to analyze and evaluate racism and discrimination in communal and organizational structures.
3. Create plans, programs, instruction, or policy solutions based on analysis and evaluations.
4. Develop analytical and practical skills in applying intersectional analyses and coalitional building across differences.

Requirements Effective Spring 2024

Students in the Ethnic Studies major must earn a minimum grade of C (2.000) for all Ethnic Studies courses required for the major.

Freshman

		AUCC	Credits
CO 150	College Composition (GT-CO2)	1A	3
ETST 100	Introduction to Ethnic Studies (GT-SS3)	1C	3
Arts and Humanities (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#arts-humanities)		3B	6
Biological and Physical Sciences (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#biological-physical-sciences)		3A	3
Quantitative Reasoning (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#quantitativereasoning)		1B	3
Social and Behavioral Sciences (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#social-behavioral-sciences)		3C	3
Electives			9
Total Credits			30

Sophomore

ETST 205	Ethnicity and the Media (GT-SS3)	1C	3
Critical Histories in Ethnic Studies (select one course from the following):			3
ETST 250/HIST 250	African American History (GT-HI1)	3D	
ETST 252/HIST 252	Asian American History (GT-HI1)	3D	
ETST 253	Chicanx History and Culture (GT-HI1)	3D	
ETST 255/HIST 255	Native American History (GT-HI1)	3D	
Intersectionality and Coalitional Politics (select 6 credits from the following):			6
ETST 201	Introduction to Queer Studies		
ETST 254	La Chicana in Society		
ETST 270	Introduction to Critical Disability Studies		
ETST 300	Queer Studies and Women of Color		
ETST 342	Queer Indigenous Studies		
ETST 352/SOWK 352	Indigenous Women, Children, and Tribes		
ETST 362/WS 362	Indigenous Consciousness and Gender		

ETST 411	Black Feminism(s)		
ETST 420	Disability, Race, Gender in the Environment		
Creative Expressions and Social Change (select 3 credits from the following):			3
ETST 234/E 234	Introduction to Native American Literature		
ETST 239/E 239	Introduction to Chicano Literature		
ETST 240	Introduction to Indigenous Studies (GT-AH2)	3B	
ETST 242	African American Creative Expression (GT-AH1)	3B	
ETST 277	Racial Representations of Black Athletes	3C	
ETST 310	African American Studies		
ETST 320	Ethnicity and Film–Asian-American Experience		
ETST 354	Black Cinema and Media		
ETST 373	Gynaehorror–Horror Films, Race, Female Body		
ETST 410	Advanced Topics in African American Studies		
ETST 413	Queer Creative Expressions		
ETST 425	Indigenous Film and Video		
ETST 430	Latinx Creative Expression		
ETST 438/E 438	Native American Literature		
ETST 454/SPCM 454	Chicanx Film and Video		
Advanced Writing (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#advanced-writing)		2	3
Biological and Physical Sciences (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#biological-physical-sciences)		3A	4
Electives			8
Total Credits			30
Junior			
ETST 305	Ethnicity, Class, and Gender in the U.S.		3
ETST 398	Ethnic Studies Research Methods and Writing		3
Concentration Electives (see list below)			6
Upper-division Electives			18
Total Credits			30
Senior			
ETST 404	Race Formation in the United States	4A,4B	3
ETST 487	Internship–Ethnic Studies		3
ETST 493	Capstone Seminar	4C	3
Concentration Electives (see list below)			6
Upper-Division Electives ¹			15
Total Credits			30
Program Total Credits:			120

Community Organizing and Institutional Change Concentration Electives

Code	Title	Credits
ETST 260	Contemporary Indigenous Issues	3
ETST 265/EDUC 265	Culture of Care in Schools	3
ETST 324	Asian-Pacific Americans and the Law	3
ETST 330	African American Resistance and Self-Creation	3
ETST 332	Contemporary Chicanx Issues	3
ETST 364/HIST 364	Asian American Social Movements, 1945-Present	3
ETST 365	Global Environmental Justice Movements	3

ETST 414/ANTH 414	Development in Indian Country	3
ETST 432	Latinx Routes to Empowerment	3
ETST 444/SOC 444	Federal Indian Law and Policy	3
SPMT 314	Inclusive Sport Organizations	3

¹ Select enough elective credits to bring the program total to a minimum of 120 credits, of which at least 42 must be upper-division (300- to 400-level).

Major Completion Map

Distinctive Requirements for Degree Program: Students in the Ethnic Studies major must earn a minimum grade of C (2.000) for all Ethnic Studies courses required for the major.

Freshman

Semester 1		Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
CO 150	College Composition (GT-CO2)	X		1A	3
ETST 100	Introduction to Ethnic Studies (GT-SS3)	X		1C	3
	Arts and Humanities (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#arts-humanities)	X		3B	3
	Biological and Physical Sciences (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#biological-physical-sciences)	X		3A	3
	Elective		X		3
Total Credits					15

Semester 2		Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
	Arts and Humanities (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#arts-humanities)	X			3
	Quantitative Reasoning (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#quantitative-reasoning)	X		1B	3
	Social and Behavioral Sciences (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#social-behavioral-sciences)	X		3C	3
	Electives		X		6
Total Credits					15

Sophomore

Semester 3		Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
ETST 205	Ethnicity and the Media (GT-SS3)	X		1C	3
	Critical Histories in Ethnic Studies (see Program Requirements tab and terms offered for each course)	X		3D	3
	Intersectionality and Coalitional Politics (see Program Requirements tab and terms offered for each course)	X			3
	Advanced Writing (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#advanced-writing)	X		2	3
	Biological and Physical Sciences (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#biological-physical-sciences)	X		3A	4
Total Credits					16

Semester 4		Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
	Intersectionality and Coalitional Politics (see Program Requirements tab and terms offered for each course)	X			3
	Creative Expressions and Social Change (see Program Requirements tab and terms offered for each course)	X			3
	Electives		X		8
Total Credits					14

Junior

Semester 5		Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
ETST 305	Ethnicity, Class, and Gender in the U.S.	X			3
	Concentration Elective (see Program Requirements tab)	X			3
	Upper-Division Electives		X		9
Total Credits					15

Semester 6		Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
ETST 398	Ethnic Studies Research Methods and Writing	X			3
	Concentration Elective (See Major Requirements Tab for list of acceptable courses)	X			3

Upper-Division Electives			X		9
Total Credits					15
Senior					
Semester 7					
		Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
ETST 493	Capstone Seminar				3
	Concentration Elective (See Major Requirements Tab for list of acceptable courses)	X			3
Upper-Division Electives			X		9
Total Credits					15
Semester 8					
		Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
ETST 404	Race Formation in the United States				3
ETST 487	Internship–Ethnic Studies	X			3
	Concentration Elective (See Major Requirements Tab for list of acceptable courses)	X			3
Upper-Division Electives			X		6
The benchmark courses for the 8th semester are the remaining courses in the entire program of study.		X			
Total Credits					15
Program Total Credits:					120