# American Studies, BS

## Degree Requirements

Requirements for Students Matriculating in or before Academic Year 2024-2025. Learn more about University Academic Regulation 3.1 (http://catalog.okstate.edu/university-academic-regulations/#matriculation).

**Minimum Overall Grade Point Average:** 2.00

**Total Hours:** 120

### General Education Requirements

#### English Composition

See Academic Regulation 3.5 (http://catalog.okstate.edu/university-academic-regulations/#english-composition)

- ENGL 1113  Composition I  3
- or ENGL 1313  Critical Analysis and Writing I  3
- ENGL 1213  Composition II  3
- or ENGL 1413  Critical Analysis and Writing II  3
- or ENGL 3323  Technical Writing  3

#### American History & Government

- HIST 1103  Survey of American History  3
- or HIST 1483  American History to 1865 (H)  3
- or HIST 1493  American History Since 1865 (DH)  3
- POLS 1113  American Government  3

#### Analytical & Quantitative Thought (A)

- MATH or STAT course designated (A)  3

#### Humanities (H)

- Courses designated (H)  6

#### Natural Sciences (N)

- Must include one Laboratory Science (L) course  6

#### Social & Behavioral Sciences (S)

- Courses designated (S)  3

### Additional General Education

- Courses designated (A), (H), (N), or (S)  10

**Subtotal Hours:** 40

### Diversity (D) & International Dimension (I)

- May be completed in any part of the degree plan
- Select at least one Diversity (D) course
- Select at least one International Dimension (I) course

### College/Departmental Requirements

#### First Year Seminar

(Transfer students with 15 hours exempt)  1

#### Arts & Humanities

See note 2.a.  3

#### Natural & Mathematical Sciences

See note 2.b.  9

#### Foreign Language

See note 3  0-6 hours

**Upper-division General Education**

- 6 hours outside AMST, American History and American Literature

**Subtotal Hours:** 13

### Major Requirements

Minimum GPA 2.50. Minimum grade of "C" in all AMST upper-division courses. No more than 9 hours in Major Requirements may be taken from 2000-level courses.

- AMST 3223  Theories and Methods of American Studies  3
- AMST 4973  Senior Seminar in American Studies  3

### American Studies

Select 9 hours (6 hours must be upper division) of AMST courses other than AMST 3223 & AMST 4973; and courses listed in the following four categories.

#### American History

Select 6 hours of the following (3 hours must be upper-division):

- HIST 2333  American Thought and Culture: Survey (H)  3
- HIST 2343  Religion in America (DH)  3
- HIST 3133  African Diaspora History (DH)  3
- HIST 3613  American Colonial Period to 1750 (H)  3
- HIST 3623  Era of the American Revolution (H)  3
- HIST 3633  Early National Period, 1787-1828 (H)  3
- HIST 3643  Antebellum America, 1828-1850 (H)  3
- HIST 3653  Civil War and Reconstruction, 1850-1877  3
- HIST 3663  U.S History 1877-1919 (H)  3
- HIST 3673  United States History, 1919-45 (DH)  3
- HIST 3683  United States History Since 1945 (DH)  3
- HIST 3693  The Modern West (H)  3
- HIST 3703  Oklahoma History (DH)  3
- HIST 3713  Women in the American West (DH)  3
- HIST 3753  Trans-Mississippi West (DH)  3
- HIST 3763  American Southwest (DH)  3
- HIST 3773  The American South to 1860  3
- HIST 3793  Native American History (DH)  3
- HIST 3803  History of Food (H)  3
- HIST 3853  History of the North American Borderlands (DH)  3
- HIST 4063  Historic Preservation  3
- HIST 4073  Digital Methods in History  3
- HIST 4153  African American History, 1619-1865 (DH)  3
- HIST 4163  African American History, 1865-Present (DH)  3
- HIST 4173  Black Intellectual History (DH)  3
- HIST 4253  U.S. Foreign Relations to 1945 (H)  3
- HIST 4273  U.S. Foreign Relations Since 1945 (H)  3
- HIST 4333  History of Sexuality in the United States (D)  3
- HIST 4353  American Military History (H)  3
- HIST 4363  US History through Popular and Unpopular Music (DH)  3
- HIST 4453  History and Film (H)  3
- HIST 4463  American Cultural History to 1865 (H)  3
- HIST 4483  American Cultural History Since 1865 (H)  3
- HIST 4493  Frontier in American Memory (H)  3
- HIST 4503  American Urban History (H)  3
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**American Literary and Cultural Studies**

Select 6 hours of the following (3 hours must be upper-division):

1. ENGL 2453 Introduction to Film and Television (H)
2. ENGL 2773 Survey of American Literature I (H)
3. ENGL 2883 Survey of American Literature II (DH)
4. ENGL 3153 Readings in Literature by Women (DH)
5. ENGL 3183 Native American Literature (DH)
6. ENGL 3190 Readings in Postcolonial and Multiethnic Literature
7. ENGL 3193 African-American Literature (DH)
8. ENGL 3410 Popular Fiction
9. ENGL 3453 History of American Film (H)
10. ENGL 3473 Race, Gender, and Ethnicity in American Film (D)
11. ENGL 3503 Television and American Society (DH)
12. ENGL 3813 Readings in the American Experience (DH)
13. ENGL 4093 Language in America (DS)
14. ENGL 4200 Studies in Early American Literature
15. ENGL 4210 Studies in 19th Century American Literature
16. ENGL 4220 Studies in 20th Century American Literature
17. ENGL 4230 Literature of Diversity
18. ENGL 4333 Studies in Native American Literature
19. ENGL 4400 Studies in Regional Literature

**Humanities and Interdisciplinary Studies**

Select 6 hours of the following:

1. AFAM 1113 Introduction to Africana Studies (DH)
2. AMIS 2013 Introduction to American Indian Studies (D)
3. AMIS 4013 American Indian Sovereignty (D)
4. AMST 3503 Television and American Society (DH)
5. AMST 3513 Film And American Society (H)
6. AMST 3550 The Arts and American Society
7. AMST 3673 History Of American Art (DH)
8. AMST 3683 Introduction to Digital Humanities
9. ART 3663 History of American Art (DH)
10. ART 3683 History of 20th Century Art (HI)
11. ART 4613 Art Since 1960
12. ART 4763 Native American Art and Material Culture
13. GEOG 3093 Historical Geography of North America to 1800 (H)
14. GEOG 3213 Digital Worlds: Culture, Identity, and Community (H)
15. GEOG 4103 Historical Geography of North America since 1800 (H)
16. GEOG 4223 Geography of Music (H)
17. GWST 2123 Introduction to Gender Studies (DH)
18. GWST 3513 Theorizing Sexualities (D)
19. GWST 3613 Race and Reproduction in the U.S. (D)
20. GWST 3713 Gender and Representation (D)
21. GWST 4113 Feminist Theories
22. GWST 4503 Theorizing Men and Masculinities
23. MUSI 3573 America's Ethnic Music (DH)
24. MUSI 3741 Survey of Rock and Roll I
25. MUSI 3751 Survey of Rock and Roll II
26. PHIL 2043 Philosophy of Film (H)
27. PHIL 2053 Philosophy in Literature (H)
28. PHIL 2513 Philosophy and Culture (H)
29. PHIL 3413 Ethical Theory (H)
30. PHIL 3513 Social Philosophy (H)
31. PHIL 3613 Philosophy of Religion (H)
32. PHIL 3623 Philosophy of Race (DH)
33. PHIL 3633 MLK, Malcolm X, & Philosophy of Race (DH)
34. PHIL 3773 Social Media Today (H)
35. PHIL 3813 American Philosophy (H)
36. PHIL 3843 Philosophy of Law (H)
37. PHIL 3853 Pragmatism (H)
38. PHIL 4113 Philosophy and the Arts (H)
39. REL 4033 Religion in Early America (H)
40. AMST 3333 Crime, Law and American Culture (S)
41. AMST 4103 The Death Penalty in America (S)
42. ECON 3823 American Economy: The Past and Present (S)
43. ECON 4913 Urban and Regional Economics
44. GEOG 3123 Urban Geography (S)
45. GEOG 3133 Political Geography (IS)
46. GEOG 3163 Economic Geography (S)
47. GEOG 3173 Cultural Geography (S)
48. GEOG 3243 Legal Geography of Native America, Sovereign Tribal Nations, and Indian Country (DS)
49. GEOG 3703 Geography Of Oklahoma (S)
50. GEOG 3713 Exploring North America and Diversity (DS)
51. GEOG 4113 Environment and Development
52. GEOG 4143 Geography of Travel and Tourism
53. GEOG 4213 Sport, Place and Society (S)
54. GWST 2113 Transnational Women's Studies (S)
55. POLS 2023 The Individual And The Law
56. POLS 3353 Political Parties
57. POLS 3423 Voting and Elections
58. POLS 3443 Pol Campaigns And Candidacy
59. POLS 3453 U.S. Congress
60. POLS 3483 The American Presidency
61. POLS 3493 Public Policy
62. POLS 3513 Public Opinion and Polling
63. POLS 3523 Money, Media And Politics
64. POLS 3533 Lobbying: the Art of Influence and Manipulation
College of Arts and Sciences Requirements

1. **Hours in One Department**: For B.A. and B.S. degrees, no more than 54 hours in one department may be required to meet degree requirements. Courses used to satisfy the General Education English Composition, U.S. History, American Government, and Mathematics or Statistics requirements will not count toward the 54-hour maximum required from one department.

2. **A&S College/Departmental Requirements**
   a. Arts and Humanities are defined as any course carrying an (H) designation or courses from AMST, ART, DAN, ENGL (except ENGL 3323 Technical Writing) HIST, MUSI, PHIL (except PHIL 1313 Logic and Critical Thinking (A), PHIL 3003 Symbolic Logic (A) and PHIL 4003 Mathematical Logic and Computability), REL, TH, and foreign languages.
   
   b. Natural and Mathematical Sciences are defined as any course from the following prefixes: ASTR, BIOL, CHEM, CS (except CS 4883 Social Issues in Computing), GEO, MATH, MCTR, PHYS, and STAT; or courses from other departments that carry an (A) or (N) general education designation.
   
   c. Six upper-division hours are required from General Education or any CAS courses outside the student’s major department (http://catalog.okstate.edu/college-arts-sciences-major-departments/). This requirement may be satisfied by courses also used to satisfy any part of a student’s degree program (i.e., in General Education, College Departmental Requirements, Major Requirements or Electives).
   
   d. Non-Western Studies Requirement for B.A. and B.F.A.; One course in Non-Western Studies (N.W.). This requirement may be satisfied by courses also used to satisfy any part of a student’s degree program (i.e., in General Education, College Departmental Requirements, Major Requirements or Electives).
   
   e. The College of Arts & Sciences requires a minimum 2.0 GPA in all major requirements and a minimum 2.0 GPA in all major-prefix courses applied to the degree.

3. **Foreign Language Proficiency**
   a. The foreign language requirement for the B.A. may be satisfied by 9 hours college credit in the same language, which must include 3 hours at the 2000-level, or equivalent proficiency (e.g., passing an advanced standing examination; TOEFL exam; presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates the high school was primarily conducted in a language other than English; etc.). Computer Science courses may not be used to satisfy this requirement. Currently Arabic and Mvskoke are not offered at the 2000-level at OSU.
   
   b. The foreign language requirement for the B.S., B.M. and B.F.A. may be satisfied by presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates two years of study of a single foreign language (passing grades at second-year level of study). It may also be satisfied by 6 hours college credit in the same language, which must include language courses 1713 and 1813, or equivalent proficiency (e.g., passing an advanced standing examination; TOEFL exam; presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates the high school was primarily conducted in a language other than English; etc.). Computer Science courses may not be used to satisfy this requirement.
   
   c. In addition to a. and b., students pursuing teacher certification must meet novice-high foreign language proficiency by presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates two

Other Requirements

- See the College of Arts and Sciences Requirements.
- **Upper-Division Credit**: Total hours must include at least 40 hours in courses numbered 3000 or above.

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May need to include 6 hours of a foreign language. See note 3.

May need to include 6 hours upper-division general education outside AMST, American History and American Literature (see note 2.c.) and 1 additional upper-division hour.

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years of study of a single foreign language with no grade below B. Or, students may complete 3 hours college credit in a single language with no grade below C (or pass an advanced standing examination, College Level Examination Program (CLEP) exam, or Oral Proficiency Interview developed by the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages, equivalent to 3 hours of college credit.) Or, students may meet the requirement by transfer of documentation of meeting the foreign language competency from one of the teacher education programs in the State of Oklahoma approved by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

4. **Exclusions.** Courses with ATHL or LEIS prefixes and leisure activity courses may not be used for degree credit.

**Additional State/OSU Requirements**

- At least: 60 hours at a four-year institution; 30 hours completed at OSU; 15 of the final 30 or 50% of the upper-division hours in the major field completed at OSU.
- Limit of: one-half of major course requirements as transfer work; one-fourth of hours earned by correspondence; 8 transfer correspondence hours.
- Students will be held responsible for degree requirements in effect at the time of matriculation and any changes that are made, so long as these changes do not result in semester credit hours being added or do not delay graduation.
- Degrees that follow this plan must be completed by the end of Summer 2030.