



Social Justice Studies: Race and Ethnicity AA-T Degree - ethnic studies

FULL TIME

This program roadmap represents one possible pathway to complete the program. **Please see a counselor** to create an education plan that is customized to meet your needs. This roadmap is not a guarantee of course availability or financial aid applicability.

Catalog: 2025-26

GE Pattern: Cal-GETC

Total Units: 60

First Year

Semester 1

15 Units

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
Req	SJS 300 Introduction to Social Justice Studies	3		4
GE	ENGL C1000 Academic Reading and Writing or	3		1A
	ENGL C1000H^H Academic Reading and Writing - Honors	3		
GE	PSYC 330 Introductory Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences	3		2
Elec	HCD 310 College Success	3		
Elec	SOC 300 Introductory Sociology or	3		
	SOC 480^H Introductory Sociology - Honors	3		

Semester 2

14.5 Units

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
Req	SJS 310 Introduction to LGBTQ Studies	3		
RE	HIST 321 History of the United States: African-American Emphasis	3		3B
GE	ENGWR 303¹ Argumentative Writing and Critical Thinking Through Literature	4	ENGL C1000 or C1000H	1B
GE	ANTH 300 Biological Anthropology or	3		5B
	ANTH 480^H Honors Biological Anthropology	3		
GE	ANTH 301² Biological Anthropology Laboratory	1		5C
Elec	ENGWR 306 Advanced Writing Across the Curriculum (WAC)	0.5		

¹ or ENGWR 481 and LIBR 318

² The Area 5C (Science Lab) course must correspond with either the Area 5A (Physical Sciences) or Area 5B (Biological Sciences) course.

TRANSFER PATH

Potential Transfer Majors:

This Area of Emphasis degree prepares students for a number of CSU majors related to race and ethnicity, such as Ethnic Studies, African American Studies, American Studies, Asian American Studies, Chicano Studies, and Native American Studies.

Potential Career/Options After Completing a Bachelor's Degree:

Students with degrees in Ethnic Studies and related fields find careers as activists, community organizers, political campaigners, lobbyists, and mediators. They also work for human rights groups, religious organizations, and international agencies.

This program is also an excellent starting point for students interested in a career in law, law enforcement, social work, clinical psychology, politics, business, education, public policy, and any social science.

Advising Notes:

- This roadmap represents one way to complete this Area of Emphasis degree, with a focus on Ethnic Studies.
- Students can complete this degree with other focus areas, such as African American Studies or Chicano Studies. See a counselor for advice on which transfer institutions offer programs in particular focus areas.
- Students can substitute ESLW 340 for ENGL C1000/C1000H (formerly

Second Year

Semester 3

15.5 Units

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
Req	SOC 321 Race, Ethnicity and Inequality in the United States	3		4
RE	ENGLT 335 Latino, Mexican-American, and Chicano Literature	3		
GE	GEOG 305 Global Climate Change or	3		5A
	GEOL 320 Global Climate Change	3		
GE	COMM C1000 Introduction to Public Speaking	3		1C
Elec	HIST 325 History of Asian/Pacific Americans	3		
Elec	ENGRD 315 Reading Across the Disciplines for Content Courses	0.5		

Semester 4

15 Units

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
RE	ANTH 334 Native Peoples of North America	3		
GE	MUFHL 330 World Music	3		3A
GE	ETHNS 300 Introduction to Ethnic Studies	3		6
Elec	ENGLT 338 Native American Literature	3		
Elec	SOC 342 Gender Relations in American Society	3		

known as ENGWR 300/480).

Other Notes to Students Preparing to Transfer:

- See [ASSIST.ORG](#) for the transfer requirements of the institution to which you plan to transfer.
- The CSU system requires every student receiving a bachelor's degree to be knowledgeable about the Constitution of the United States, American history, and state and local government. This requirement is generally known as the American Institutions requirement. Students can complete this requirement at ARC before transferring. [See a counselor](#) for a list of approved courses.

Honors Courses (H):

Students with a cumulative GPA of 3.2 or better who complete 15 or more units of Honors coursework earn an [H onors](#) Transfer Certificate and can take advantage of honors-to-honors transfer agreements with highly selective colleges and universities, both public and private.

EXPLANATION OF CATEGORIES		
Req	Required Core	A course that is required for this program
GE	General Education	A course that fulfills a specific general education requirement for a degree, which can be replaced with another course that meets the same requirement
Elec	Degree Elective	A degree-applicable course that is part of a degree roadmap to ensure that there is a total of at least 60 units, which is a requirement for an associate degree
RE	Restricted Elective	A course selected from a list of elective courses specified for this program in the course list in the catalog, which can be replaced with another course from the same list