

DOCUMENTS OF THE GENERAL FACULTY

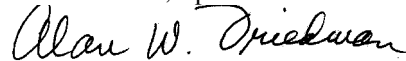
PROPOSAL TO CREATE AN AMERICAN STUDIES MINOR IN THE COLLEGE OF THE LIBERAL ARTS CHAPTER IN THE UNDERGRADUATE CATALOG 2018-2020

Dean Randy L. Diehl, in the College of Liberal Arts has filed with the Secretary of the Faculty Council the following proposal to create an American Studies minor in the College of Liberal Arts chapter in the *Undergraduate Catalog, 2018-2020*. The American Studies Transcript-Recognized Minor (AMS TRM) Committee approved the proposal on January 27, 2017; it was approved by the College Curriculum Design and Assessment Committee on March 1, 2017; and by the Dean and the College of Liberal Arts faculty, on March 17, 2017. The Secretary has classified this proposal as legislation of exclusive interest to one college or school.

The Committee on Undergraduate Degree Program Review recommended approval of the proposal on February 2, 2018, and forwarded it to the Office of the General Faculty. The Faculty Council has the authority to approve this legislation on behalf of the General Faculty. The authority to grant final approval on this legislation resides with the Provost on behalf of the President.

If no objection is filed with the Office of the General Faculty by the date specified below, the legislation will be held to have been approved by the Faculty Council. If an objection is filed within the prescribed period, the legislation will be presented to the Faculty Council at its next meeting. The objection, with reasons, must be signed by a member of the Faculty Council.

To be counted, a protest must be received in the Office of the General Faculty by March 13, 2018.



Alan W. Friedman, Secretary of the General Faculty and Faculty Council
The University of Texas at Austin
Arthur J. Thaman and Wilhelmina Doré Thaman Professor of English and Comparative Literature

**PROPOSAL TO CREATE AN AMERICAN STUDIES MINOR IN THE COLLEGE OF THE
LIBERAL ARTS CHAPTER IN THE UNDERGRADUATE CATALOG 2018-2020**

- 1. TYPE OF PROPOSAL:** New Transcript-Recognized Minor
 Change an Existing Transcript-Recognized Minor
 Delete a Transcript-Recognized Minor
- 2. OFFICIAL NAME:** American Studies Minor
- 3. FIELD OF STUDY, CIP CODE** (administrative unit awarding the certificate):
American Studies, 05.0102
- 4. STATEMENT OF OBJECTIVE:** To offer a minor for students who wish to study the cultural, social, and intellectual life of the United States of America, but who may not desire to complete the full requirements and number of hours required for the American Studies major.
- 5. ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENT (IF ANY):** N/A
- 6. NUMBER OF STUDENTS EXPECTED TO RECEIVE THE TRANSCRIPT-RECOGNIZED MINOR EACH SEMESTER:** 15
- 7. ANTICIPATED ENROLLMENT CAPACITY?** 250
- 8. NUMBER OF HOURS REQUIRED FOR COMPLETION:** Fifteen
- 9. COMPOSITION OF THE MINOR FACULTY COMMITTEE (INCLUDING THE COMMITTEE CHAIR):**

| Name of Faculty Member | College/Department | Title at UT Austin | Highest Degree and Awarding Institution |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------|---|---|
| Steven Hoelscher (chair) | Liberal Arts/American Studies | Professor and Chair | Ph.D., University of Wisconsin-Madison |
| Cary Cordova | Liberal Arts/American Studies | Assistant Professor and Faculty Undergraduate Advisor | Ph.D., University of Texas at Austin |
| Janet Davis | Liberal Arts/American Studies | Associate Professor | Ph.D., University of Wisconsin-Madison |
| Lauren Gutterman | Liberal Arts/American Studies | Assistant Professor | Ph.D., New York University |
| Randolph Lewis | Liberal Arts/American Studies | Professor | Ph.D., University of Texas at Austin |

- 10. Academic Course Requirements:** Use this table to identify the courses that qualify for this certificate program.

| Course Abbreviation and Number | Course Title | SCH |
|--------------------------------|--|-----|
| AMS 310 | Introduction to American Studies | 3 |
| AMS 311S | Introductory Seminar in American Studies | 3 |
| AMS 315 | Topics in American Life | 3 |

| | | |
|----------|---|---|
| AMS 315C | Movies Go to War | 3 |
| AMS 315D | Anthropology of Race and Ethnicity: An Introduction | 3 |
| AMS 315F | Native American Literature and Culture | 3 |
| AMS 319S | Topics in American Studies | 3 |
| AMS 321 | Studies in American Societies | 3 |
| AMS 321E | African American History to 1860. | 3 |
| AMS 321F | African American History since 1860 | 3 |
| AMS 321G | Native Americans in Texas | 3 |
| AMS 321J | African American Social and Political Thought | 3 |
| AMS 322 | Studies in American Writing | 3 |
| AMS 325 | Studies in American Art and Media Culture | 3 |
| AMS 327 | Studies in Religion and Philosophy | 3 |
| AMS 329 | Environmental History of North America | 3 |
| AMS 329S | Topics in American Studies | 3 |
| AMS 330 | Modernism in American Design and Architecture | 3 |
| AMS 355 | Main Currents of American Culture to 1865 | 3 |
| AMS 356 | Main Currents of American Culture since 1865 | 3 |
| AMS 370 | Seminar in American Culture | 3 |
| AMS 372 | Conference Course | 3 |

11. OTHER MINOR REQUIREMENTS: Fifteen total hours including AMS 310; AMS 311S; either AMS 355 or AMS 356; AMS 370; and three additional hours.

12. COLLEGE/SCHOOL APPROVAL PROCESS:

Department approval date: January 27, 2017 AMS TRM Committee
College approval date: March 1, 2017 Curriculum Design and Assessment Committee
Dean approval date: March 17, 2017 College of Liberal Arts Faculty

PROPOSED NEW CATALOG TEXT:

MINOR AND CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

American Studies Minor

Fifteen semester credit hours, including nine upper-division, consisting of:

1. American Studies 310, Introduction to American Studies
2. American Studies 311S, Introductory Seminar in American Studies
3. Three semester credit hours, chosen from:
 - a. American Studies 355, Main Currents of American Culture to 1865
 - b. American Studies 356, Main Currents of American Culture Since 1865
4. American Studies 370, Seminar in American Culture
5. Three additional semester credit hours of American studies