United States Studies Minor

**Affiliated faculty:** Dawley, Coordinator, Adler, Albertine, Blake, Clydesdale, Dawley, Fisher, Figueroa, Gray, Nicolosi, Ortiz-Vilarelle, Rao, Robertson, Sullivan

The interdisciplinary minor in United States Studies explores the United States and its place in the world. Without losing sight of the inner workings of American society, the emphasis is on connections among Americans and other peoples around the world. Students take a required core seminar plus four related courses.

**Requirements:**
Five course units: one prerequisite; Core Seminar; three options. No more than two courses may be from the same discipline.

**Required course:** USA 301/Core Seminar 1 course unit
An interdisciplinary examination of American society and culture in historical and international perspective. Themes vary according to instructor. Admission by permission of the instructor.

**Prerequisite:** 1 course unit
Normally, a student is admitted to the minor upon recommendation of affiliated faculty member after taking one course from the approved list or with the approval of the coordinator. See US Studies coordinator for further information.

**Options:** 3 course units
To be chosen from the approved list and/or in consultation with a program advisor. See US Studies coordinator for advising and approval.

**Honors Thesis Seminar** 2 course units
By invitation.
In addition to the five course units, minors may be invited to complete a two-semester honors thesis seminar under supervision of a participating faculty member: USA 401/ Honors Thesis Seminar I; USA 402/Honors Thesis Seminar II.

*Additional information also is available on the program’s [webpage](#).*