American Studies (AMERSTD)

AMERSTD 10 Introduction to American Studies 4 Units

Department: American Studies **Course level:** Undergraduate

Terms course may be offered: Fall, spring and summer

Grading: Letter grade.

Hours and format: 3 to 4 hours of lecture and zero to 1 hour of

discussion per week.

American culture and cultural change, with attention to the multicultural basis of American society and emphasis on the need for multiple methods of analysis. The course will consistently draw on the arts, material culture, and various fields affecting cultural production and meaning. Those areas include literature, film, history, architecture, history of art, religion, music, engineering, environmental studies, anthropology, politics, economics, law, and medicine. This course may include discussion sections depending on available funding. Some versions of this course need four in-class contact hours because of the extensive use of media. Students will receive no credit for American Studies 10 after completing American Studies 10AC. A deficient grade in American Studies 10 may be removed by taking American Studies 10AC. Formerly known as Undergraduate Interdisciplinary Studies 10.

AMERSTD 10AC Introduction to American Studies 4 Units

Department: American Studies **Course level:** Undergraduate

Terms course may be offered: Fall and spring

Grading: Letter grade.

Hours and format: 3 hours of Lecture and 1 hour of Discussion per week

for 15 weeks.

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Satisfies the American Cultures requirement

Students will receive no credit for 10AC after taking 10 or Undergraduate and Interdisciplinary Studies 10. A deficient grade in American Studies 10 or Interdisciplinary Studies 10 may be removed by taking American Studies 10AC.

AMERSTD C10/L & S C40T Introduction to American Studies:

Hollywood: the Place, the Industry, the Fantasy 4 Units

Department: American Studies; Letters and Science

Course level: Undergraduate

Terms course may be offered: Fall and spring

Grading: Letter grade.

Hours and format: 3 hours of Lecture and 1 hour of Discussion per week

for 15 weeks.

This course will introduce students to the interdisciplinary field of American Studies, taking the "Hollywood Dream Factory" as the central theme. Focusing on both parts of that phrase, the course will proceed along a double path. We will examine the historical and geographical development of the motion picture industry from the rise of the studio system to the "new" entertainment economy of the 1980's and we will examine ways Hollywood is represented in literature and film.

Instructor: Moran

AMERSTD 24 Freshman Seminar 1 Unit

Department: American Studies **Course level:** Undergraduate