

# Science and Technology Studies (STS)

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## Courses

**STS C100 Introduction to Science, Technology, and Society 4 Units**  
This course provides an overview of the field of Science and Technology Studies (STS) as a way to study how our knowledge and technology shape and are shaped by social, political, historical, economic, and other factors. We will learn key concepts of the field (e.g., how technologies are understood and used differently in different communities) and apply them to a wide range of topics, including geography, history, environmental and information science, and others. Questions this course will address include: how are scientific facts constructed? How are values embedded in technical systems?

### Hours & Format

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1.5 hours of discussion per week

### Summer:

6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture and 3.5 hours of discussion per week

8 weeks - 6 hours of lecture and 3 hours of discussion per week

### Additional Details

**Subject/Course Level:** Science and Technology Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Instructors:** Mazzotti, Winickoff

**Also listed as:** HISTORY C182C/ISF C100G

**STS C200 Topics in Science and Technology Studies 3 Units**  
This course provides a strong foundation for graduate work in STS, a multidisciplinary field with a signature capacity to rethink the relationship among science, technology, and political and social life. From climate change to population genomics, access to medicines and the impact of new media, the problems of our time are simultaneously scientific and social, technological and political, ethical and economic.

### Rules & Requirements

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

### Hours & Format

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

### Additional Details

**Subject/Course Level:** Science and Technology Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Letter grade.

**Also listed as:** ANTHRO C254/ESPM C252/HISTORY C250

**STS C250 Science and Technology Studies Research Seminar 3 Units**  
This course will cover methods and approaches for students considering professionalizing in the field of STS, including a chance for students to workshop written work.

### Rules & Requirements

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

### Hours & Format

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

### Additional Details

**Subject/Course Level:** Science and Technology Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.

**Also listed as:** ANTHRO C273/ESPM C273/HISTORY C251