Ethnic Studies

Overview

The Ethnic Studies Graduate Group doctoral program focuses on the historical and sociocultural study of the core groups racialized in United States history: African Americans, Asian Americans, Chicanos and Latinos, and Native Americans. Transdisciplinary in approach, the program encourages students to adopt a broad range of theories and methods to analyze the construction of these racialized ethnocultural groups in relation to each other in the EuroAmerican context and in a transnational context.

As a graduate group program, courses are taught and students are advised by faculty not only from the Department of Ethnic Studies but also from other departments on campus. The core faculty consists of faculty from the Department of Ethnic Studies (composed of Asian American and Asian Diaspora Studies, Chicano Studies, and Native American Studies) and the Department of African American Studies. The affiliated faculty is composed of faculty from other departments on campus whose expertise and research interests address the concerns of comparative ethnic studies and who have expressed a special interest in working with graduate students in ethnic studies. Both core and affiliated faculty may teach courses and sit on the examination and dissertation committees of students in the Ethnic Studies Graduate Group doctoral program.

Undergraduate Program

Asian American and Asian Diaspora Studies (http://guide.berkeley.edu/undergraduate/degree-programs/asian-american-diaspora-studies): BA, Minor
Chicano Studies (http://guide.berkeley.edu/undergraduate/degree-programs/chicano-latino-studies): BA, Minor
Ethnic Studies (http://guide.berkeley.edu/undergraduate/degree-programs/ethnic-studies): BA, Minor
Native American Studies (http://guide.berkeley.edu/undergraduate/degree-programs/native-american-studies): BA, Minor

Graduate Program

Ethnic Studies (http://guide.berkeley.edu/graduate/degree-programs/ethnic-studies): PhD

Ethnic Studies

ETH STD 200 Critical Terms and Issues in Comparative Ethnic Studies 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2017
Introduction to the field examining the critical practices and salient terms and issues in the study of contemporary cultural and social formations. The focus is interdisciplinary.

Critical Terms and Issues in Comparative Ethnic Studies: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 4 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Ethnic Studies/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.

Formerly known as: Ethnic Studies Graduate Group 200

Critical Terms and Issues in Comparative Ethnic Studies: Read Less [-]

ETH STD 201 History and Narrativity: Contemporary Theories and Methods 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2017
The course examines critical theories and methods in the production of historical narratives, social myths, and ideologies dealing with racialization and ethnicity. Special attention is given to employment strategies, tropes, and allegorical forms in the construction of historical events and narratives.

History and Narrativity: Contemporary Theories and Methods: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 4 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Ethnic Studies/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.

Formerly known as: Ethnic Studies Graduate Group 201

History and Narrativity: Contemporary Theories and Methods: Read Less [-]
ETH STD 202 Cultural Texts: Contemporary Theories and Methods 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2016
The course examines critical theories and methods in the production of cultural knowledge in the humanities. Special attention is given to transdisciplinary articulation with theories and methods in the social sciences.

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

ETH STD 203 Social Structures: Contemporary Theories and Methods 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2016
The course examines critical theories and methods in the production of knowledge relevant to social, political, economic, and institutional structures. Special attention is given to transdisciplinary articulation with theories and methods in the humanities.

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

ETH STD 240 Series in Comparative Transnational Theories and Methods 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2017, Spring 2017
Research seminar focus is on critical theories and practices in transnational comparative frameworks.

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 4 hours of seminar per week

ETH STD 250 Research Seminar: Selected Issues and Topics 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2017, Spring 2017, Fall 2016
A seminar course designed to involve Ethnic Studies students directly in the research process. Emphasis on examination and analysis of primary sources, methodology, and the development of theoretical constructs. A major research paper is required.

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 4 hours of seminar per week

Rule & Requirements
Prerequisites: 200 or consent of instructor
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit.

ETH STD 230 Series in Transdisciplinary Comparative Theories and Methods 4 Units
Terms offered: Prior to 2007
Research seminar focus is on critical history and practices across disciplines.

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 4 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Ethnic Studies/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Formerly known as: Ethnic Studies Graduate Group 230
Series in Transdisciplinary Comparative Theories and Methods: Read Less [-]
ETH STD 296 Directed Dissertation Research
4 - 12 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2017 8 Week Session, Spring 2017, Summer 2016 8 Week Session
For qualified students directly working on the doctoral dissertation.
Directed Dissertation Research: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 4-12 hours of independent study per week

Summer:
6 weeks - 10-30 hours of independent study per week
8 weeks - 7.5-22.5 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Ethnic Studies/Graduate

Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.

Formerly known as: Ethnic Studies Graduate Group 296

Directed Dissertation Research: Read Less [-]

ETH STD 299 Directed Reading 2 - 4 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2017 8 Week Session, Summer 2016 8 Week Session
A term paper is required.

Directed Reading: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Consent of instructor

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

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2-4 hours of independent study per week

Summer:
6 weeks - 5-10 hours of independent study per week
8 weeks - 3-7.5 hours of independent study per week
10 weeks - 3-6 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Ethnic Studies/Graduate

Grading: Letter grade.

Formerly known as: Ethnic Studies Graduate Group 299

Directed Reading: Read Less [-]

ETH STD 302 Professional Orientation 2 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2017
This seminar is intended to instruct new graduate students in the behavior of professional academics including research, teaching, and academic ethics.

Professional Orientation: Read More [+]

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1.5 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Ethnic Studies/Professional course for teachers or prospective teachers

Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.

Formerly known as: Ethnic Studies Graduate Group 302

Professional Orientation: Read Less [-]

ETH STD 303 Professional Writing 2 Units
Terms offered: Prior to 2007
This course trains graduate students in writing for professional purposes, such as preparing conference presentations, articles for publication in journals, applications for funding, prequalifying exam position papers, dissertation prospectuses, dissertation chapters, book prospectuses, job applications, etc. Students bring in drafts of their writing for intensive critique by the instructor and fellow students.

Professional Writing: Read More [+]

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1.5 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Ethnic Studies/Professional course for teachers or prospective teachers

Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.

Formerly known as: Ethnic Studies Graduate Group 303

Professional Writing: Read Less [-]
ETH STD C375 Critical Pedagogy: Instructor Training 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2017, Fall 2016, Fall 2015
The seminar provides a systemic approach to theories and practices of critical pedagogy at the university level. Examines the arts of teaching and learning and current disciplinary and cross-disciplinary issues in African/diaspora and Ethnic Studies. Participation two hours per week as practicum in 39, "Introduction to the University: African American Perspectives" is mandatory. The course is required for students expecting to serve as graduate student instructors in the department.
Critical Pedagogy: Instructor Training: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Ethnic Studies/Professional course for teachers or prospective teachers
Grading: Letter grade.
Formerly known as: Ethnic Studies Graduate Group C375/African American Studies C375
Also listed as: AFRICAM C375
Critical Pedagogy: Instructor Training: Read Less [-]

ETH STD 601 Individual Study for Master’s Students 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2017
Individual study, in consultation with Group faculty, to prepare students for master’s examinations.
Individual Study for Master’s Students: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated once for credit. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 8 units.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Ethnic Studies/Graduate examination preparation
Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.
Formerly known as: Ethnic Studies Graduate Group 601
Individual Study for Master’s Students: Read Less [-]

ETH STD 602 Individual Study for Doctoral Students 2 - 8 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2017
Individual study, in consultation with Group faculty, to prepare students for the doctoral oral examinations. A student will be permitted to accumulate a maximum of 16 units in 601 and 602, respectively, toward examination preparation. Units earned in these courses may not be used to meet academic residence or unit requirements for the master’s or doctoral degree.
Individual Study for Doctoral Students: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 8 units.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0-0 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Ethnic Studies/Graduate examination preparation
Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.
Formerly known as: Ethnic Studies Graduate Group 602
Individual Study for Doctoral Students: Read Less [-]