The American Studies Major at a Glance

A Planning Worksheet

Name________________________
Dates: Today __________ Graduation __________
ID __________ Other Major(s)? __________________

A. UT requirements (beyond the major):

Are all requirements beyond your major under control? Check using a DARS report.
Can you use AMST courses to fulfill any requirements for distributions and/or other majors? A second major/minor can double-count 12 hours from a primary major or upper-level US Studies/Foreign Studies.
Check FAQs on American Studies website and/or the advising website: http://www.artsci.utk.edu/advising/.
You can make an appointment in A&S advising (974-4481) for questions about general issues.

B. Checklist for Planning an American Studies major (effective 2013; see footnotes below for earlier rules.)

You need 11 courses total. For more information, see the AMST website: http://web.utk.edu/~amerstud/

1-2. Two 200-level courses from the choices below (most of these count for lower-level distributions):

- English 231
- English 232
- English 233
- History 221
- History 222
- Religious Studies 233

3. American Studies 310 (Introduction) _______or American Studies 450 (Senior Seminar) _______
Take both if possible (list 450 as 11th course below). If you must choose, 450 is strongly recommended.

4-6. Courses for breadth

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7-11. Five courses above the 200-level from any category—including relevant variable topics courses—chosen so that you have a coherent focus plus breadth in racial/ethnic & sex/gender differences.

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C. Checklist for an American Studies Minor.

AMST 310 or 450, plus 12 hours from any above category. No more than 6 hours in the same discipline.

1. _______ 2. _______ 3. _______ 4. _______ 5. _______ (Options __________________________)

D. Have you officially declared your major or minor? This does not happen automatically.

E. Next steps: Petitions needed? People to contact? Decisions pending? Ideas to follow up?

1. _____________________________ 2. _____________________________ 3. _____________________________

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1. English courses (American Literature I & II and Black Writers) count for Humanities A; Religious Studies 233 (Religion and Society in North America) counts for Social Science A. Before 2013 two English courses are pre-requisites, but RS 233 and HIST 222 are petitionable.

2. Before 2013, two courses in this category; at least two are still strongly recommended if you take only English courses at the 200 level.

3. Before 2013, two courses in this category; at least two are still strongly recommended.

4. Before 2013, two English courses were pre-requisites. If you use HIST 222 and RS 233, two in English are still strongly recommended.

5. Before 2013 there was an “ethnic minority” category. We took it out because it overlapped extensively with other categories and did not emphasize sexuality/gender. Your major should include more, not less, than one choice with clear strength in these categories.