

# Course Catalog - Fall 2008

## Asian American Studies

100 **Intro Asian American Studies** credit: 3 hours.

Interdisciplinary introduction to the basic concepts and approaches in Asian American Studies. Surveys the various dimensions of Asian American experiences including history, social organization, literature, arts, and politics.

**This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for a UIUC Social Sciences, and US Minority Culture(s) course.**

120 **Intro to Asian Am Pop Culture** credit: 3 hours.

Introductory understanding of the way U.S. popular culture has affected Asian Americans and the contributions Asian Americans have made to U.S. media and popular culture since the mid 1880's.

**This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for a US Minority Culture(s) course.**

184 **Asian American Cultures** credit: 3 hours.

Same as ANTH 184 and SOC 124. See ANTH 184.

**This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for a UIUC Social Sciences, and US Minority Culture(s) course.**

199 **Undergraduate Open Seminar** credit: 1 to 5 hours.

May be repeated to a maximum of 6 hours.

224 **Asian Am Historical Sociology** credit: 3 hours.

Same as SOC 224. See SOC 224.

**This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for a US Minority Culture(s) course.**

260 **Intro Asian American Theatre** credit: 3 hours.

Same as THEA 260. See THEA 260.

**This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for a Non-Western Cultures course.**

281 **Constructing Race in America** credit: 3 hours.

Same as AFRO 281, HIST 281, and LLS 281. See HIST 281.

**This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for a Hist&Philosoph Perspect, and US Minority Culture(s) course.**

283 **Asian American History** credit: 3 hours.

Same as HIST 283. See HIST 283.

**This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for a Hist&Philosoph Perspect, and US Minority Culture(s) course.**

284 **Adv Topics in Asian America** credit: 3 hours.

Same as ANTH 284. See ANTH 284.

**This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for a UIUC Social Sciences, and US Minority Culture(s) course.**

286 **Asian American Literature** credit: 3 hours.

Same as ENGL 286. See ENGL 286.

**This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for a Literature and the Arts, and US Minority Culture(s) course.**

290 **Individual Study** credit: 2 to 3 hours.

Supervised reading and research in Asian American Studies chosen by the student with instructor approval. May be repeated to a maximum of 6 hours. Prerequisite: AAS 100.

291 **Hinduism in the United States** credit: 3 hours.

Introduction to the historical, religious, and socio-cultural aspects of Hinduism in the US. The role of Hinduism in the maintenance of the ethnic identity of Indians in the US will be examined in the context of the rituals, languages, temples, family, and other social organizations. The maintenance and/or shift of the features of traditional (Indian) Hinduism in the transplanted counterpart in the US will be examined. Same as RLST 291. Prerequisite: RLST 104

or RLST 286 or consent of instructor.

299 ***Begin Topics Asian Am Studies*** credit: 3 hours.  
May be repeated in the same or subsequent terms to a maximum of 6 hours.

310 ***Race and Cultural Diversity*** credit: 4 hours.  
Same as AFRO 310, EPS 310, and LLS 310. See EPS 310.  
***This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for a*** Advanced Composition, and US Minority Culture(s) course.

311 ***Asian Am Dance and Performance*** credit: 3 hours.  
Study of Asian American choreographers and how they assert and/or challenge notions of ethnic, racial, social, and political identity through dance practices that range from traditional Asian theatrical genres to experimental performance art. Topics covered will include but not limited to the role of Orientalism in the history of American art dance, the role of art as a form of social activism, and debates over cultural authenticity in the re-staging of 'traditional' dance forms. Same as DANC 341. Prerequisite: One course in Asian American Studies or one course in Dance Studies or consent of the instructor.

317 ***Asian American Politics*** credit: 3 hours.  
Same as PS 317. See PS 317.

328 ***Asian Americans & Inequalities*** credit: 3 hours.  
Same as SOC 328. See SOC 328.

346 ***Asian American Youth*** credit: 3 hours.  
Explores cultural production of second-generation Asian American youth as a historical and social formation. Course examines how youth are actively shaping the U.S. landscape in terms of identity formation, youth, culture, education, juvenile justice, politics and activism, and community formations. These experiences are examined in backdrop of larger historical, economic, racial, social and political forces in the United States. Same as HDFS 341.

365 ***Asian American Media and Film*** credit: 3 hours.  
An examination of media generally and films and videos more specifically (experimental, documentary, independent, and Hollywood features) by, for, and about Asian Americans. Same as COMM 365 and CINE 365. Prerequisite: Any AAS course at the 100- or 200-level, or consent of instructor.

390 ***Intermed Topics Asian Am St*** credit: 3 hours.  
May be repeated in the same or subsequent terms to a maximum of 6 hours.

395 ***Adv Asian Am Undergrad Reading*** credit: 2 or 3 hours.  
Supervised reading and research in upper level Asian American Studies topics chosen by the student with instructor approval. May be repeated to a maximum of 6 hours. Prerequisite: AAS 100.

397 ***Asian Families in America*** credit: 3 hours.  
Same as HDFS 321 and SOCW 397. See SOCW 397.  
***This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for a*** UIUC Social Sciences, and US Minority Culture(s) course.

402 ***Asian American Education*** credit: 4 hours.  
Same as EPS 402. See EPS 402.  
***This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for a*** Advanced Composition, and US Minority Culture(s) course.

435 ***Commodifying Difference*** credit: 3 or 4 hours.  
Same as LLS 435, AFRO 435, COMM 432, and GWS 435. See LLS 435.

450 ***Asian American Ethnic Groups*** credit: 3 or 4 hours.  
Intensive interdisciplinary study of a particular Asian American ethnic group (specific ethnic group focus will change every semester). 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. This course may be repeated in the same or separate

semesters, to a maximum of 9 undergraduate hours or 12 graduate hours if topics vary. Students may register in more than one section per term if topics vary. Prerequisite: Any AAS course at the 100- or 200-level or consent of instructor.

465 ***Race, Sex, and Deviance*** credit: 3 or 4 hours.  
Same as AFRO 465, GWS 465, and LLS 465. See LLS 465.

470 ***Asian American Psychology*** credit: 3 or 4 hours.  
Same as PSYC 470. See PSYC 470.

484 ***Asian Diasporas*** credit: 3 or 4 hours.  
Same as ANTH 484. See ANTH 484.

490 ***Adv Topics in Asian Am Studies*** credit: 3 or 4 hours.  
Research seminar on specialized topics in Asian American Studies. May be repeated if topics vary. Students may register in more than one section per term if topics vary. Prerequisite: AAS 100 or any Asian American Studies course, or consent of instructor.

561 ***Race and Cultural Critique*** credit: 4 hours.  
Introduction to graduate level theoretical and methodological approaches in Comparative Race Studies. As a survey of theories of race and racism and the methodology of critique, this course offers an interdisciplinary approach that draws from anthropology, sociology, history, literature, cultural studies, and gender/sexuality studies. In addition, the study of racial and cultural formation is examined from a comparative perspective in the scholarship of racialized and Gender and Women's Studies. Same as AFRO 531, ANTH 565, GWS 561, and LLS 561.

589 ***Readings in Asian Am Studies*** credit: 1 to 4 hours.  
Individual guidance in intensive readings in the literature of one or more subdivisions of the field of Asian American Studies. May be repeated to a maximum of 8 hours. Students may register in more than one section per term if topics vary. Prerequisite: Graduate standing or consent of instructor.

590 ***Asian Am Studies Seminar*** credit: 2 to 4 hours.  
Approved for both letter and S/U grading. May be repeated to a maximum of 8 hours. Prerequisite: Graduate standing or consent of instructor.