

# BLACK STUDIES (BLS) COURSES

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## **BLS-201 Introduction to Black Studies**

This is the methods course for the field. Ideally minors will take this course in the fall or spring of their sophomore year. This course will introduce students to the history, methodology, and major problems in Black Studies through an interdisciplinary survey of literature, cultural theories, and historical works. Meets the Diversity Requirement for the PPE major.

**Prerequisites:** none

**Credit:** 1

## **BLS-270 Special Topics**

The objective of this class is to develop the student's ability to think interdisciplinarily. Through the analysis of a particular theme, topic, cultural expression, or political movement, students will gain a greater understanding of Black Studies scholarship and methodology/ies. Since the content of this course varies from year to year, it may be repeated for credit upon the instructor's approval. Refer to the Course Descriptions document on the Registrar's webpage for topics and descriptions of current offerings.

**Prerequisites:** none

**Credit:** 1

## **BLS-280 Special Topics**

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**Prerequisites:** none

**Credits:** 0.5-1

## **BLS-300 Special Topics in Black Studies**

Since the content of this course varies from semester to semester, it may be repeated for credit upon the instructor's approval. Refer to the Course Descriptions document on the Registrar's webpage for topics and descriptions of current offerings.

**Prerequisites:** none

**Credits:** 0.5-1

## **BLS-370 Independent Study in Black Studies**

Individual research projects. The manner of study will be determined by the student in consultation with the instructor. Students must receive written approval of their project proposal from a faculty member before registering for the course.

**Prerequisites:** BLS-201

**Credit:** 1

## **BLS-387 Independent Study in Black Studies**

This course will allow students to engage in individual research projects. The manner of study will be determined by the student in consultation with the instructor. Students must receive written approval of their project proposal from a faculty member before registering for the course.

**Prerequisites:** BLS-201

**Credit:** 1

## **BLS-388 Independent Study in Black Studies**

This course will allow students to engage in individual research projects. The manner of study will be determined by the student in consultation with the instructor. Students must receive written approval of their project proposal from a faculty member and the Chair of the Department before registering for the course.

**Prerequisites:** BLS-201

**Credit:** 1

## **BLS-400 Independent Study**

This course will allow students to engage in individual research projects. The manner of study will be determined by the student in consultation with the instructor. Students must receive written approval of their project proposal from a faculty member and the Chair of the Department before registering for the course.

**Prerequisites:** none

**Credits:** 0.5-1

## **BLS-401 Capstone Seminar**

Students will demonstrate facility with Black Studies methods and familiarity with Black Studies sources by preparing a substantial and original work of research and analysis and by giving a public presentation of their work (which might include a conference presentation).

**Prerequisites:** BLS-201

**Credit:** 1