MINOR IN AMERICAN STUDIES (5 courses)

To earn an American Studies minor, students must have a sequence of courses designed and approved to meet specific goals. Only one (1) course may be taken within the student’s major subject area. Courses in the minor may also be used to fulfill general education requirements. To complete the course residency requirement for a minor, a minimum of three (3) course-credits (12 semester hours) in the minor must be taken at Framingham State University.

The minor in American Studies requires five (5) courses representing at least three (3) disciplines, distributed as follows:

A. One (1) of the following courses in American literature:
   - ENGL 243 The American Short Story
   - ENGL 261 American Writers I
   - ENGL 262 American Writers II

B. One (1) American history (HSTY) course at 290 or 300-level
C. A total of three (3) courses from at least two of the following disciplines: (At least three disciplines must be represented in the total of five courses.)

   **Art & Music**
   - ARTH 282 American Art
   - MUSC 141 American Music
   - MUSC 151 The History and Literature of Jazz

   **Biology**
   - BIOL 103 Biological Perspectives on Environmental Issues

   **Economics**
   - ECON 101 Principles of Macroeconomics
   - ECON 102 Principles of Microeconomics
   - ECON 306 Urban Economics

   **English**
   - ENGL 243 The American Short Story
   - ENGL 260 American Ethnic Literature
   - ENGL 261 American Writers I
• ENGL 262 American Writers II
• ENGL 353 Whitman, Dickinson, and Frost
• ENGL 365 American Romanticism
• ENGL 368 American Realism and Naturalism
• ENGL 370 Studies in American Literature
• ENGL 373 Modern American Fiction
• ENGL 383 Contemporary American Fiction
• ENGL 384 Contemporary American Poetry

**Geography**

• GEOG 250 Geography of the United States and Canada
• GEOG 251 Geography of New England

**History**

• HSTY 111 United States History of Reconstruction
• HSTY 112 United States History since Reconstruction
• HSTY 120 American Lives
• HSTY 165 Slavery, Race, and Rights in American History
• HSTY 290A Special Topics Seminar in American History
• HSTY 3xx (Any American history course at the 300-level)

**Sociology**

• SOCI 130 Social Problems
• SOCI 226 Sociology of Rap and Hip Hop
• SOCI 255 LGBTQ Communities in the United States
• SOCI 264 Black Communities and Institutions
• SOCI 288 Immigration in the United States
• SOCI 315 Social Class
• SOCI 340 Sociology of Work

**Interdisciplinary/Interdepartmental:**

• AMST 490 Independent Study in American Studies