



**AFR 212/APA 210/JUS 210/TCL 210:
Introduction to Ethnic Studies in the United States**

Good day,

Thank you for your interest in this Intro to Ethnic Studies course for Spring 2020 Session B. This course provides an overview of the field of Ethnic Studies and how the field has reshaped how we view US history and contemporary society. From even before its inception, the United States has been characterized by its diversity; yet the experiences among the country's communities have varied based on societal divisions, particularly race and ethnicity. This course explores beyond ideas of diversity to consider the ways race and ethnicity have shaped power relations in US into the present day. We will examine how racial and ethnic groups have worked to restructure (or conversely, to reinforce) these societal relations over time. This course also counts toward Cultural Diversity in the U.S. (C) for General Studies Requirements.

This three-credit online course has no required textbooks, online labs, or other course materials to purchase; all course materials will be provided through Canvas. The work for the class will include the following:

- 1) Watching lecture videos and supplemental media and reading assigned texts
- 2) Analyzing the course materials in weekly Discussion Board posts and engaging with your classmates in discussion about them
- 3) Attending and writing about an event related to Ethnic Studies during the semester
- 4) Creating a Final Project related to Ethnic Studies in the medium of your choice

If you have any questions, please feel welcome to contact me. I hope to see you in this course!

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