

## INTERDISCIPLINARY MINOR American Culture

### THE AMERICAN CULTURE MINOR AT MTSU

The American culture minor is an eighteen hour interdisciplinary minor in which students are required to complete two core courses, one in History and one in English before going on to complete twelve upper division hours chosen in consultation with the American culture minor advisor.

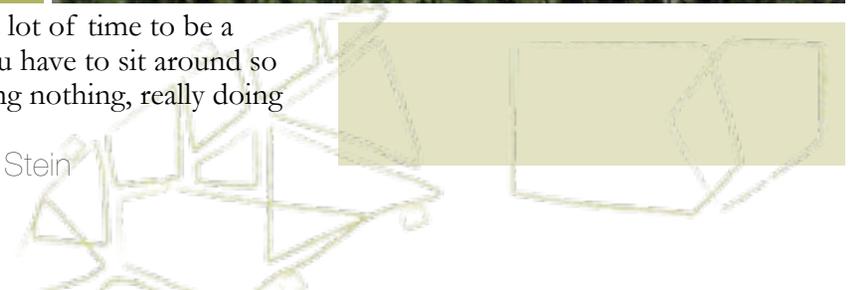
Because of the flexibility this minor offers, it is an excellent choice for students with wide ranging interests and for students who want to construct a coherent minor that fits their interests and crosses disciplinary lines.



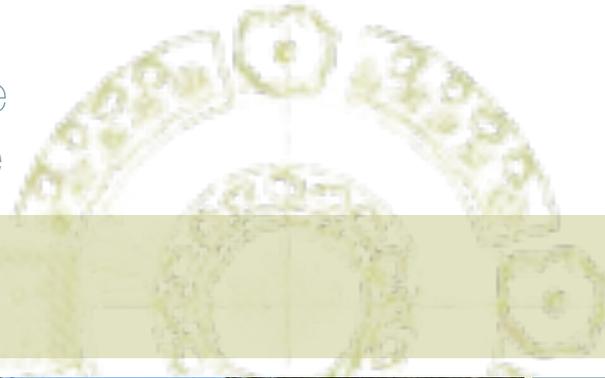
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“It takes a lot of time to be a genius, you have to sit around so much doing nothing, really doing nothing.”  
Gertrude Stein



The interdisciplinary minor is a good choice for students who want to study U.S. culture from more than one disciplinary perspective



## HISTORY CORE

(Choose one)

**History 4740** American Cultural and Intellectual History. Explores the major issues in American cultural and intellectual history through an examination of American literature, philosophy, social sciences, fine arts, and popular culture

**History 3040** Topics in American Cultural History. Literature, fine arts, social sciences, and popular culture examined with regard to a particular topic (such as the history of morality or the history of cultural rebellion) in order to understand how Americans have reacted to conflicting values in society

“The first question I ask myself when something doesn't seem to be beautiful is why do I think it's not beautiful. And very shortly you discover that there is no reason.”

JOHN CAGE





“WHOEVER CONTROLS THE MEDIA, THE IMAGES, CONTROLS THE CULTURE.”  
Allen Ginsberg

## ENGLISH CORE

(Choose one)

**English 3310** Nineteenth-Century American Literature. Survey of American literature from Washington Irving to Henry James. Concentration on Romanticism, Realism, Naturalism, and Pragmatism. Selected novels.

**English 3320** Twentieth-Century American Literature. Survey of American literature from Theodore Dreiser to the present. Concentration on major authors. Selected novels.

**English 3360** Multicultural Literature of the United States.

Writers, genres, and criticism in native American, African American, Hispanic American, and Asian American literatures.

## UPPER DIVISION ELECTIVES

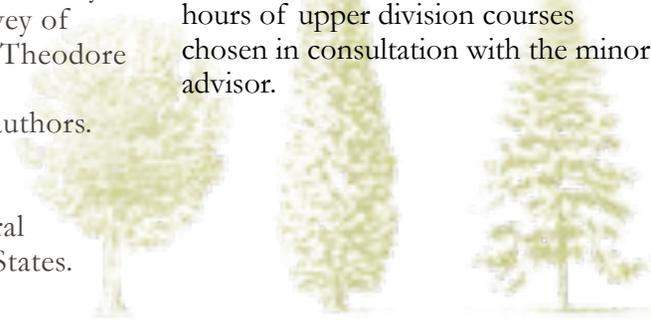
In addition to the core courses in History and English, students are required to take twelve semester hours of upper division courses chosen in consultation with the minor advisor.

## GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

Interdisciplinary minors are open to all students. Student may take no more than six hours in a single department toward an interdisciplinary minor unless they have surpassed the required 18 hours necessary for that minor.

Students may earn no more than three hours credit toward a minor in the same department or discipline in

which they are taking a major, and no course may be counted for both major and minor credit. Students must fulfill all departmental prerequisites for any course within an interdisciplinary minor.



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