

CRITICAL STUDIES OF RACE AND ETHNICITY - BA

St. Kate's critical studies of race and ethnicity (CRST) major provides students with a framework for understanding race and ethnicity in historical, contemporary, national, and global contexts. This field of study uses the lens of race/ethnicity to critically examine texts, language, media, art, music, statistical records, social structure/systems, and the complete array of institutional arrangements. This exciting major is unique - one of few of its kind in the state. Growing racial and ethnic diversity in the State of Minnesota and St. Kate's own diverse student body make this major increasingly relevant for all students and make St. Kate's an excellent choice for those who wish to pursue this area of study.

As a CRST major, students will engage in an interdisciplinary study of race and ethnicity through courses that are cross-listed in several departments in St. Kate's, including art, biology, economics, English, history, philosophy, sociology, communication studies and women's studies. This broad perspective will allow students to analyze issues of racial and ethnic identity and perspective; examine individual, institutional and systematic racism; critique race-based policies and socio-cultural representatives; learn to more effectively communicate across lines of difference; and engage in strategizing for social change.

As students study the diverse racial and ethnic groups within the United States, they will become aware of the extent to which class, race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, age, and ability interact to magnify privilege/disadvantage. This major will help students to build the knowledge, skills and confidence to actively work to dismantle the structural and systemic inequities surrounding notions of race and ethnicity. Students' course work, independent research, final portfolio and internship will give them the ability to work across lines of difference and recognize ways individuals are privileged or not privileged because they are members of certain racial or ethnic groups.

This major is offered in the College for Women only.

Curriculum

Code	Title	Credits
Required Courses		
CRST 2050W	Foundations of Critical Studies of Race and Ethnicity	4
CRST 3510	Sociology of Race and Ethnicity	4
CRST 4604	Internship	4
CRST 4850	Senior Seminar	4
Select four courses from the list below:		16

(All of the courses are listed under both the "home" department and the CRST Department, and should be taken under the CRST Department designation.)

Students are advised to check prerequisites prior to planning a program of study

Two must be from the arts and humanities

Two must be from the sciences or social sciences

One course cross-listed with WOST

One must be a 3000 level course with a global focus

COMM 3100 Communicating across Cultures, Identities and Differences¹

COMM 4600	Leadership and the Art of Persuasion
CRST 4954	Independent Study
ECON 1120	Economics of Social Issues
ENGL 1450	Introduction to Linguistics and Language
ENGL 2260	Literature in Translation
ENGL 2290	Women and Literature (Women Writers of Color)
ENGL 2290	Women and Literature (Literature and Social Structure)
ENGL 3400W	Language as Power
FASH 2150W	Sociocultural Aspects of Dress
HIST 1200	Survey of U.S. Political and Social History, 1600-1900
HIST 3250	History of Civil Liberties and Civil Rights in the U.S.
HIST 3560	Women in America to 1920
PHIL 3400	Biomedical Ethics
PHIL 3900	Feminist Philosophy
POSC 3350	Nationalism and Ethnic Conflict ¹
SOCI 2150	Challenging Oppressions, Civic Engagement and Change
SOCI 2500	Rule-makers and Rule-breakers: Deviance and Social Control
SOCI 2700	Social Movements-Social Change
SOCI 3210	Family, Identity and Inequality
SOCI 3250	Cultural Anthropology ¹
SOCI 3340	Criminal Justice: From Policing to Punishment
SOCI 3450	Women's Issues from Global Perspectives ¹
SPAN 3160	Hispanics in the United States
WOST 4850W	Senior Seminar
Topics Courses	
Topics courses that have been approved are listed below: ²	
ENGL 4994	Topics (The Harlem Renaissance)
HIST 2994	Topics (History and Geography of the American Southwest)
SOCI 2994	Topics (Sociology and the Politics of Performance)
THEO 4994	Topics (Oppression and Liberation in the Bible)
Total Credits	
32	

¹ Denotes global component

² Topics courses are designated in the annual schedule of courses.

Code	Title	Credits
Recommended Course		
Select one of the following:		
ECON 1080	Statistical Analysis for the Social Sciences	
ECON 1090	Statistical Analysis for Decision Making	
PSYC 1090	Statistical Methods in Psychology	
STAT 1090	Statistical Analysis	

CRST majors fulfill the Writing Requirement for Majors and the fourth writing requirement by completing CRST 2050W Foundations of Critical

Studies of Race and Ethnicity and CRST 4850W Senior Seminar. They fulfill the Liberal Arts and Sciences Core Writing Requirement with two other writing-intensive courses (CORE 1000W The Reflective Woman and CORE 3990W Global Search for Justice).

Code	Title	Credits
Fall Term		
Select one CRST course		4
Spring Term		
CRST 2050W	Foundations of Critical Studies of Race and Ethnicity	4
Fall Term		
Select one CRST course		4
Spring Term		
Select one CRST course		4
Fall Term		
CRST 3510	Sociology of Race and Ethnicity	4
Spring Term		
CRST 4604 or CRST 4850	Internship Senior Seminar	4
Fall Term		
Select one Global CRST course ¹		4
Spring Term		
CRST 4604 or CRST 4850	Internship Senior Seminar	4
Total Credits		32

¹ Must be 3000 level