

MINOR IN CRITICAL PACIFIC ISLANDS & OCEANIA STUDIES

Using an interdisciplinary approach, students will apply indigenous epistemologies and methodologies to the study of Native Pacific Islander communities in diaspora. Themes include racialization, ethnicity, cultural formations, community health, colonization, immigration, and sexual identities.

Program Learning Outcomes

- Evaluate the methods of inquiry and analysis used by the social and behavioral sciences in the study of racial, ethnic, and cultural formation.
- Apply indigenous epistemologies to understand the contemporary and historical narratives of Pacific Islander communities.
- Develop strategies to improve health, wellness, and life-long learning specific to Pacific Islander communities.
- Create networks and partnerships that apply theories of social change, history, and contemporary practices to grassroots social justice work in Pacific Islander communities.
- Build media content literacy that expands knowledge of ethnographic representations of Pacific Islanders.

Critical Pacific Islands & Oceania Studies, Minor – 15 units

Introductory Courses (6 units)

Code	Title	Units
RRS/ETHS 100	Introduction to Ethnic Studies	3
RRS/AIS 103	Introduction to Pacific Islander Studies	3

Core Courses (9 units)

Code	Title	Units
RRS 303	Health and Wellness among Pacific Islanders	3
RRS/SOC 410	Grassroots Organizing for Change in Communities of Color	3
RRS/AIS 433	Pacific Islanders in Film: Re-Presenting Oceania Through an Indigenous Lens	3