



**COURSE NAME:** Special Topics: Interdisciplinary Studies

**COURSE NUMBER:** IDS E298

**CREDITS:** 3 credit hours

### **CATALOGUE DESCRIPTION**

A faculty-developed, interdisciplinary study of a specific global, regional or societal topic, theme, problem or event in a certain discipline. Topics vary by semester and by the instructor's or instructors' area of expertise.

### **PREREQUISITE OR PARALLEL**

ENG\* 101

### **COURSE OBJECTIVES**

- 1.2 Demonstrate knowledge of the behavioral and social sciences and their methods.
- 2.2 Observe and comprehend written and oral information
- 2.4 Draw reasonable inferences from facts and ideas.
- 4.1 Collect and organize information about a topic.
- 5.1 Recognize ethical issues, both personal and public.

### **COURSE OUTCOMES:**

- 1. Explain social, political, economic, historical, or cultural elements within an interdisciplinary framework that inform and are shaped by individuals, groups and social dynamics.**
- 2. Summarize different theories of interdisciplinary scholarship and interdisciplinary research methods used to investigate social and historical phenomena.**
- 3. Explain ethical issues critical to social contexts and historical phenomena.**
- 4. Discuss issues of diversity across disciplines.**

5. **Apply concepts or theories of social phenomena to real world situations (e.g., service learning, group work, clubs, organizations, civic engagement, conflict resolution, classroom activities and internships).**
6. **Interpret and differentiate types of historical sources.**
7. **Recognize trends in the historiographical understanding of the past and ever-changing interpretations of history.**
8. **Examine the development of cultures, societies and/or events in local, national and/or international contexts.**
9. **Explain the influence and agency of race, class, gender, and/or other perspectives on historical events.**
10. **Describe the impact of the past on subsequent events, including the present.**
11. **Examine the complex, dynamic, and interrelated nature of change.**

**COURSE CONTENT:**

To be determined by instructors on a semester-by-semester basis.