

ATROCITY STUDIES AND THE PRACTICES OF SOCIAL JUSTICE MINOR

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The Atrocity Studies and Practices of Social Justice Minor provides a broad interdisciplinary approach to an understanding of the Holocaust (which was the foundation of international treaties and conventions and the event that defined the word genocide), other genocides / atrocities that took place before and after the Holocaust, issues of social justice and violations of human rights, and efforts to confront the past and transform the future. It addresses a central tenet of education: What does it mean to be a responsible citizen in a democratic society?

The minor will help students realize that:

- Democratic institutions and values are not automatically sustained but need to be appreciated, nurtured, and protected.
- Silence and indifference to the suffering of others, or to the infringement of human and civil rights in any society-however unintentionally-serve not only to perpetrate the problems but also often to intensify them.
- Genocides/atrocities and human rights violations occur because individuals, organizations and governments make choices that not only legalize discrimination, but also allow prejudice, hatred and ultimately mass murder to occur.
- Individuals and groups can practice and work towards social justice in society and the world.

Admission to the minor requires a 2.8 cumulative grade point average. The minor requires 18 credits, as explained below. At least 12 of the 18 credits must be upper division (300 level or above). Students should become familiar with their college's rules about double counting courses for more than one minor, and/or for a major and minor, and should carefully plan out how courses will fit with their primary major. Courses must be approved by the minor coordinator. Appropriate courses will be added to the lists below as they occur.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
Required Course on the Holocaust		
HST 362	Nazi Germany and the Holocaust	3-4
Atrocities/Genocides Related Courses		
Select one of the following:		3
ANT 358	Peace, War and Security	
ANT 473	Peace and Conflict in the Balkans: Anthropological Perspectives	
HST 302	Early American History	
HST 324	Recent Latin American History	
HST 214	Modern Africa: 1800 - Present	
HST 381	Genocide, Atrocity, and Political Violence in the Modern World	
HST 401	Senior Seminar	

Note: HST 401 section must be on a related topic, for example: Genocide in the Modern World; Facism in Europe 1914-45; Eugenics. HST 401 is restricted to History majors and minors

Challenging Dehumanization Courses

Select two of the following: 6

AAS 309	Race, Gender and Sexuality in the African Diaspora
ANT 476	Women, War and Peace
CRS 360	Communication and Rhetorical Studies in Perspective

Note: CRS 360 is approved only when the topic is related to antisemitism or rhetoric of hate.

CRS 375	Rhetoric and Public Memory
DSP 438	Disability and Popular Culture
DSP 440	Sociology of Disability
ENG 315	Topics in Ethnic Literatures and Cultures

Note: ETS 315 section with title "The Holocaust in American Literature" only

GEO 372	Political Geography
HST 300	Selected Topics

Note: Only HST 300.1 Negotiating Identities Across Europe's Borders, offered through SU Abroad's Central Europe program is approved. Other HST 300 topics or selected topics from other departments must be petitioned for the minor coordinator's approval.

HST 324	Recent Latin American History
HST 424	Dictatorships, Human Rights, and Historical Memory in the Southern Cone

Offered at the Santiago, Chile SU Abroad center only.

PHP 415	Public Health Ethics
PHI 425	Post-colonialism and Philosophy
PSC 387	Ethnic Conflict
PSC 429	European Human Rights
PSY 379	The Social Psychology of Stigma
QSX 111	Queer Histories, Communities, and Politics
QSX 112	Sexualities, Genders, Bodies
QSX 453	Feminisms, Sexualities, and Human Rights in Middle Eastern Societies
REL 131	Great Jewish Writers
REL 331	European and American Jewish Literature
REL 333	Yiddish Literature in Translation
SOC 248	Racial and Ethnic Inequalities
SOC 343	The Deviance Process
SOC 433	Race, Class, and Gender
SOC 441	Federal Indian Policy and Native American Identity
SOC 444	Contemporary Native American Movements
WGS 230	Intergroup Dialogue
WGS 452	Feminism and Postcolonial Studies

Education and Social Justice Courses

Select one of the following: 3

CFE 444	Schooling & Diversity
DSP 424	Representations of Ability & Disability
EDU 221	Education for Transformation
EDU 321	International Education for Transformation

Practice of Social Justice Internship or Capstone Project

Complete an appropriate internship or capstone project approved by the minor coordinator, using one of the following course numbers (3 credits): 3

EDU 470	Experience Credit
PSC 471	Internships: International, National, State (offered through SU Abroad's Strasbourg, France center)
Internship/Project through SU Abroad's Central Europe Program or Santiago, Chile Program	

Total Credits **18-19**