

Official Course Description
Cultural and Social Difference: Identity

In this course, students will learn why gender, race, or ethnicity, in isolation, is insufficient to conceptualize either individual or social identity. Students will learn to think critically about their own gendered, racial, and ethnic identities as well as identify the social and cultural factors that shape and contribute to each.

The ways in which gender, race, and ethnicity intersect will be given prominent attention in this class. The course will examine the ways in which gender, racial, and ethnic identities are dynamic and experienced differently, depending on how they combine in any one person. The course will also explore how these and other identities dynamically connect to systems of power, or how efforts to achieve justice in any one of these areas must take the others into account.