Nebraska Wesleyan University

Identity

Catalog

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Program Description

Identity is many things—some as private and personal as a memory, some as anonymous as a Social Security number. Identity might mean belonging to a nation, to a religion, or to a generation, yet it could also be as specific as a certain sweater, a certain song. In the “Identity: Who Are You?” thread, students will explore how a variety of academic disciplines analyze and understand human identity. Students will investigate not only the construction of personal identity, but also how personal identities are constituted within social, political, cultural, and religious contexts. Students completing the thread will have resources for better understanding their own identities and the identities of others.

This thread can be 9 or 18 hours.

Students must take at least one course from the 2000 level or above.

Courses in a 9-hour thread must be from a minimum of two departments. Courses in an 18-hour thread must be from a minimum of four departments.

Required Thread Course	
IDS 1200/IDS 1200FYW/IDS 1210 Identity: An Introductory Exploration or HIST 2200 Race and Ethnicity at NWU	4 hours
Select Courses to Meet Thread Requirements	
ARH 3800 History of Contemporary Art	4 hours
COMM 1250 Introduction to Communication Studies	4 hours
CRIM 2140 Juvenile Justice	4 hours
EDUC 1680 Literature for Children and Youth	3 hours
EDUC 2050 Human Development and Learning I	2 hours
EDUC 2690 Young Adult Literature	3 hours
ENG 1040FYW Writing and Identity	2 hours
ENG 2220 Topics in World Literature: Nation and Identity	4 hours
ENG 3080 Studies In Writing: Biography & Memoir	4 hours
ENG 3170 Advanced Fiction Writing: Finding Your Voice	4 hours
ENG 3190 Advanced Topics in Poetry Writing	4 hours
ENG 3740 Shakespeare and Identity	2 hours
ENG 3800 African-American Literature	4 hours
HIST 2170 Body, Mind, Spirit: The Understanding of the Self in Western Culture	4 hours
HIST 2810 Introduction to East Asian History	4 hours
HIST 3350/HIST 4350 Nazi Germany	4 hours
HIST 3850/HIST 4850 Twilight of the Samurai: Early Modern Japan	4 hours

Select Courses to Meet Thread Requirements	
IDS 2040 Travels In Identity	2 hours
IDS 3250 Experiential Learning - Identity Thread	1-2 hours
INTST 2100 Mexican Culture	3 hours
INTST 2150 Culture Of Spain	3 hours
MLANG 2500ID Faculty Led Trip: Identity Thread	0-4 hours
MUSIC 2550 Praise And Worship Workshop	3 hours
MUSIC 2810 World Music Cultures	3 hours
POLSC 2210 Immigration	4 hours
PSYCH 2350 Lifespan Development	4 hours
PSYCH 3400 Social Psychology	4 hours
PSYCH 3700 Cognitive Psychology	4 hours
RELIG 2350 Judaism, Christianity and Islam	3 hours
RELIG 3200 Constructing Religious Identity	3 Hours
SOC 3520 Group Dynamics	4 hours
SOCWK 1200 Life Lessons	3 hours
SPED 2070 Understanding Human Differences	3 hours
SPED 3070 Methods for Teaching Secondary Students with Disabilities	3 hours
THTRE 2220 Filmmaking and Identity	3 hours