

AMST 350

Junior Seminar in American Studies and Ethnicity: Theories and Methods

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Tuesdays, 2:00-4:50 pm in KAP 145

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Course Description

This course surveys a diverse selection of interdisciplinary theories and methodologies that animate research in Native American, African American, Latina/o/x, Asian American, and Arab American studies. Featuring innovative work in disciplines that engage the field of American studies—including cultural studies, history, anthropology, ethnomusicology, performance, literature, and art—the course readings highlight the solidarities and divergences that inform ethnic studies approaches to topics like race, ethnicity, gender, sexuality, class, and diaspora. Moreover, those critical interventions also model interpretive paradigms, comparative frameworks, archival research methods, and ethnographic fieldwork that will help prepare students to develop and conduct their own research projects.

