American Studies, MA

Learning Outcomes

Students must demonstrate:

• comprehension of the history, values, and methods of interdisciplinary scholarship in the field of American studies;

• knowledge of the multiple forums that exist for the communication, implementation, and praxis of American studies scholarship in social and institutional contexts where diversity, equity, and inclusion are guiding values;

• proficiency in advanced research and scholarly writing skills in the field of American studies;

• ability to articulate one’s own intellectual commitments and professional goals within and in relationship to the field;

• hands-on participation in university certificate programs, community-based projects and internships, or digital humanities projects, training in college teaching pedagogy where consistent with their individual development plan; and

• critical thinking, writing, and speaking skills that are central to being an effective teaching assistant in university or college courses numbered in the 1000 range, and creation of a teaching portfolio.