Minor in Border Studies

Border Studies is a trans-disciplinary study of the material and symbolic processes of border making, erasing, and transcending. Our approach is the policy-practice-perception study of borders as culturally, historically, and spatially produced material and symbolic landscapes. Studying borders teaches us that societies are complex, contested, and power-laden hybrid spaces and processes that deepen our understanding of how people relate to each other across borders and barriers: political, social and cultural. Special focus will be given to the Mexican and American border area and its impact across our continent and our academic fields study.

Requirements for a minor in Border Studies (18 units)

Complete at least 18 units from three different programs. A minimum of 6 units must be upper-division. Select courses from the following list: (18)

- ANTH 1002 Understanding Cultural Diversity
- ANTH 3603 Gendered Worlds: Power, Difference, and In/equality
- ANTH 3606 Indigenous Politics
- ANTH 3701R Cultures of Mexico and Central America
- ART 2329 Xicanx Art
- ART 2400 Introduction to Chicanx Art
- ART 3760 Border Art
- AH 3210 Visualizing Gender, Performing Identity
- AH 3250 Topics and Themes of Art History and Exhibitions
- AH 4250 Art History Seminar
- CAL 3350 Latinx Border Identity: A Transmedia Perspective
- COMM 3319 Topics in Media Studies
- COMM 3339 Topics in Film Studies
- COMM 4302 Latinx, Media, and Cultures
- ENG 3000 Studies in Global Literatures
- ENG 3140 Native American and Indigenous Literatures
- ENG 3230 Chicana/o Literature
- ENG 3260 Caribbean Literature
- ENG 3500 Literary Movements: Aesthetics and Craft
- ENG 5020 English Study Abroad
- ES 1000 Introduction to Ethnic Studies
- ES 1020 Introduction to Chicana/o/x and Latina/o/x Studies
- GEOG 3060 Political Geography
- GEOG 322 United States and Mexico Border Issues
- GEOG 4060 Emerging World Regions
- GEOG 4070 Advanced World Regions
- GEOG 4450 Globalization and Identity
- GEOG 5150 Global Governance and the United Nations System
- HIST 3420 American Indian History
- HIST 3710 California Indian History
- HIST 5680 History of the U.S. - Mexico Borderlands
- PA 5900 Special Topics in Public Administration
- SOC 4420 The Latino Experience in the U.S.
- SOC 5250 Indian Nations and Native America
- SOC 5510 Borders, Knowledges, and Identities
- SOC 5450 Indigenous Peoples
- HSCI 4210 Cultural Competency
- HSCI 4212 Topics about Special Populations
- SPAN 2900 Spanish Literature and Film in English
- SPAN 3900 Voices & Visions from the Hispanic World

Total Units: 18