Southern studies focuses critical attention on the history, society, culture, and expression of the American South with its regional, state, and local distinctiveness. The curriculum allows students to examine the American South from many disciplinary perspectives, including anthropology, art, architecture, communication studies, cultural tourism, ecology, environment, folklore, foodways, geography, history, journalism, language, law, literature, material culture, myth and manners, music, oral history, politics, public health, religion, values, and more.

**Department Programs**

**Majors**

- American Studies Major, B.A. ([http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/american-studies-major-ba](http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/american-studies-major-ba))
- American Studies Major, B.A.—Folklore Concentration ([http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/american-studies-major-bafolklore-concentration](http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/american-studies-major-bafolklore-concentration))
- American Studies Major, B.A.—Southern Studies Concentration ([http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/american-studies-major-ba-southern-studies-concentration](http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/american-studies-major-ba-southern-studies-concentration))

**Minors**

- American Studies Minor ([http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/american-studies-minor](http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/american-studies-minor))
- Folklore Minor ([http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/folklore-minor](http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/folklore-minor))
- Southern Studies Minor (p. 1)

**Graduate Programs**

- Ph.D. in American Studies ([http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/american-studies](http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/american-studies))
- Graduate Minor in American Studies ([http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/american-studies](http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/american-studies))
- Graduate Minor in Folklore ([http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/american-studies](http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/american-studies))
- M.A. in Folklore ([http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/american-studies](http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/american-studies))

**Requirements**

In addition to the program requirements listed below, students must:

- take at least nine hours of their minor course requirements at UNC—Chapel Hill
- earn a minimum of 12 hours of C or better in the minor (some minors require more)

For more information, please consult the degree requirements section of the catalog ([http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/general-education-curriculum-degree-requirements/#degreerequirementstext](http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/general-education-curriculum-degree-requirements/#degreerequirementstext)).

Students may minor in Southern studies by completing five courses. Courses listed more than once can be counted for only one category. At least one course must be at the 300 level or above.

**Core Requirements**

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<td>AMST 210</td>
<td>Approaches to Southern Studies: A Historical Analysis of the American South</td>
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<td>or AMST 211</td>
<td>Approaches to Southern Studies: The Literary and Cultural Worlds of the American South</td>
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Courses from the core content and thematic offerings are listed under the Southern studies B.A. concentration ([http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/american-studies-major-ba-southern-studies-concentration](http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/american-studies-major-ba-southern-studies-concentration)).

See the program page here ([http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/american-studies-major-ba/#opportunitiestext](http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/american-studies-major-ba/#opportunitiestext)) for special opportunities.