**AMERICAN STUDIES**

**BA | 10 COURSES**

**IN THIS MAJOR YOU’LL LEARN:**

- Knowledge of the foundational theories and methods of one or more of the major’s constituent disciplines, with emphasis on the disciplinary perspectives of history and English.
- To master critical reading and thinking, expository writing skills, methods of research in one or more of the major’s constituent disciplines.
- To synthesize diverse materials across disciplinary boundaries in order to explore intellectual questions.
- The role of the United States as a global actor.

*And so much more!* Faculty and advisors are here to help you get the most out of your program and how it may apply to different career paths.

**WHERE AMERICAN STUDIES MAJORS END UP**

Education  
Library Services

*Based on real UR student + alumni data!*

**WAYS TO TELL YOUR STORY:**

*Resources to help you tell your UR story!*

- Your Greene Center advisor
- Resume + Handshake profile
- LinkedIn + Mel Collective profiles
- Practice interviews
- A flexible and evolving plan
- Talk to people! Friends, family, advisors, faculty, alumni... it will help you refine your story!

**PREPARING FOR YOUR FIRST JOB + THE FUTURE OF WORK**

**TOP SKILLS EMPLOYERS WANT:**

- Teamwork  
- Critical thinking  
- Analyze + interpret data  
- Adaptability + resiliency  
- Written + verbal communication  
- Ethical judgement + reasoning  
- Problem-solving  
- Intercultural fluency  
- Creativity  
- Leadership

*A lot of people said so:* World Economic Forum, McKinsey Consulting future of work report, National Association of Colleges + Employers, UR College Competencies

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**HOW TO BUILD THESE SKILLS:**

- Get an on-campus job  
- Take a skill development course  
- Pursue an internship  
- Conduct research with a faculty member  
- Volunteer in the community  
- Get involved in student organizations  
- Do a virtual project  
- Be curious and try new things

*Not sure where to start?  
The Greene Center can help!*

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