# ACCELERATED BACHELOR OF ARTS IN AMERICAN STUDIES/ MASTER OF ARTS IN MUSEUM STUDIES

To earn an Accelerated BA in American Studies and MA in Museum Studies, a student must complete all requirements for the BA degree with a major in American Studies, as well as additional coursework at the graduate level. (See the Graduate Catalog (https://catalog.baylor.edu/ graduate-school/curriculum-departments-institutes-instruction/collegearts-sciences/museum-studies/joint-ba-select-majorsma-museumstudies/) for details of graduate requirements, including eligibility and admissions.)

# BA in American Studies Requirements for a Major in American Studies

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HIS 4374	The United States since 1920	
HIS 4375	The American Civil Rights Movement	
HIS 4378	American Women's History since 1865	
HIS 4380	The American West	
HIS 4383	History of the South	
HIS 4386	The City in American History	
HIS 4392	U.S. Foreign Relations since 1919	
HIS 4395	History of American Thought, 1630-1859	
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HIS 4398	Readings in American History	
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PHI 4318	Philosophy of Law	
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Political Science	Contemporary American Philosophy	
PSC 3310	Legislative Process and Behavior	
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PSC 3320	Minority and Ethnic Group Politics	
PSC 3322	American Public Policy	
PSC 3330	The American Presidency	
PSC/REL 3339	Law and Religion in the United States <sup>1</sup>	
PSC 3340	Campaigns and Elections	
PSC 3353	American Political Thought	
PSC 4300	Political Behavior	
PSC 4320	African American Politics	
PSC 4361	American Constitutional Law	
PSC 4381	American Constitutional Law	
Religion		
REL/PSC 3339	Law and Religion in the United States	
REL 3344	New Religious Movements in the United States	
REL 4336	Introduction to Religion in America	
REL 4338	Women in Religion in America	
Anthropology/Sociolo	рду	
ANT 3350	Native North Americans	
ANT 4353	Archaeology of North America	
SOC 3311	The Sociology of Race and Ethnicity	
SOC 4322	Stratification in Society	
SOC 4366	Social Movements	
Art/Music		
ARTH 4356	Modern American Art History	
ARTH 4357	American Art	
MUS 3322	Popular Musics	
MUS 3323	Jazz and its History	
MUS 4326	American Folk Music	
MUS 4365	Music and Identity in Texas Culture	
Communication/Jour	nalism	
CSS 4396	American Rhetoric	
JOU 3376	History of American Journalism	
JOU 4359	History of Photography	
Total Hours		33

<sup>1</sup> Course cannot count in two areas

### MA in Museum Studies Museum Studies, M.A. Requirements for a Major in Museum Studies

Code	Title	Hours	
Thirty-six semester hours including the following:			
Required Courses			
MST 5301	The Museum: History, Philosophy, Prospects	3	
MST 5304	Collections Management	3	
MST 5309	Museum Education	3	
MST 5311	Issues in Museum Administration	3	
Electives			
At least 12 hours of 5 course offerings:	000-level MST seminars from the following	12	
MST 5312	Outreach and Community Relations		
MST 5318	Ethical Issues in Museums, Libraries, and Archives		
MST 5323	Historic Preservation		
MST 5324	Archival Arrangement and Description		
MST 5326	Archival Technology and Digital Collections Management		
MST 5327	Special Topics in Museum Studies		
MST 5328	American Material Culture		
MST 5329	American Decorative Arts		
MST 5331	Design and Management of Museum Exhibits		
MST 5340	Leadership in Museum Administration		
MST 5V40	Independent Studies in Museums		
The remaining 6 hours of coursework may be completed from the			

following: Any 5000-level MST seminar (see listing above)

Any 5000-level graduate seminar in a cognate field (American Studies, Anthropology, Art and Art History, English, History, and Journalism) listed in the most recent Graduate Catalog, selected in consultation with the Graduate Program Director

Any 4000-level course in a cognate field (American Studies, Anthropology, Art and Art History, English, History, and Journalism) listed in the most recent Graduate Catalog and taught by a member of the graduate faculty, completing the additional requirements designated for graduate credit, selected in consultation with the Graduate Program Director

#### **Capstone Experience**

Graduate students complete a six-hour capstone experience, consisting of an internship, a professional project, or thesis.

Total Haura		26
MST 5V99	Thesis	
MST 5V98	Professional Project	
MST 5V97	Master's Internship	

In their final semester of study, all students in either the thesis or nonthesis program are required to take a written comprehensive examination testing the student's mastery of the four core areas of museum practice: museum history and philosophy, museum education, museum collections management, and museum administration. Thesis students will also have an oral examination representing defense of the thesis.

Up to six semester hours of graduate study in museum studies or a cognate field may be transferred from another accredited institution with the approval of both the Department of Museum Studies and the Graduate School.

Prospective students are encouraged to have a pre-admission interview.

# **ACA-Approved Courses**

The Academy of Certified Archivists has created a Graduate Course Preapproval Program to evaluate graduate-level archival courses. Courses that have been preapproved by the ACA will count toward the 9 semester hours of credit required to take the ACA exam under the provisional option. The following Museum Studies courses have been preapproved by the ACA:

Code	Title	Hours
MST 5304	Collections Management	3
MST 5311	Issues in Museum Administration	3
MST 5312	Outreach and Community Relations	3
MST 5324	Archival Arrangement and Description	3
MST 5326	Archival Technology and Digital Collections Management	3

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