

The Ohio State University  
College of Arts and Sciences

Comparative Studies Minor (COMPSTD-MN)

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The minor in Comparative Studies will teach students from a wide variety of majors to investigate how cultures shape the lives of individuals and groups. Interrogating cultural similarities and differences is at the heart of the Comparative Studies program. How, for example, does religion influence social change and stability in different cultures? How do different people express themselves and their concerns through literature and the arts? How do science and technology reflect and transform specific cultural values and beliefs? The questions raised and the skills taught in the Comparative Studies classroom empower students to engage productively with the world around them: to interpret generously, to think critically, and to communicate effectively.

**Required core course** (3 credit hours)

COMPSTD 2360: Introduction to Comparative Cultural Studies

**Electives** (9 credit hours)

One Comparative Studies course at the 2000 level or above and two Comparative Studies courses at the 3000 level or above.

CS 2367.02: U.S. Latino Identity  
CS 2367.04: Science and Technology in American Culture  
CS 2367.07: Religious Diversity in the U.S.  
CS 2367.08: American Identity in the World  
CS 2689: City and Culture in the U.S.  
CS 2797: Introduction Study at a Foreign Institution  
CS 2864H: Modernity and Postmodernity: Issues and Ideas  
CS 3302 and 3302E: Translating Literatures and Cultures  
CS 3303: Theorizing World Literatures  
CS 3360: Introduction to Globalization and Culture  
CS 3501: Humanitarianism in Question  
CS 3603: Love in World Literature  
CS 3606: The Quest in World Literature  
CS 3607: Film and Literature as Narrative Art  
CS 3608: Representations of the Experience of War  
CS 3620: Everyday Life in South Asia  
CS 3645: Cultures of Medicine  
CS 3646: Cultures, Natures, Technologies  
CS 3657: Contemporary Folklore in the Arab World  
CS 3658: Folklore in the Americas  
CS 3661: The City and Culture  
CS 3686: Cultural Studies of American Musics  
CS 3689: Transnationalism and Culture in the Americas  
CS 3797: Topical Study at Foreign Institution  
CS 3808: Utopia and Dystopia  
CS 3990: Approaches to Comparative Studies  
CS 4191: Research Internship in Comparative Studies  
CS 4193: Individual Studies  
CS 4565: History of Literacy

CS 4597.01: Global Studies of Science and Technology  
CS 4597.02: Global Culture  
CS 4597.03: Global Folklore  
CS 4655: Studies in Ethnography  
CS 4685: Comparative Ethnic and American Studies  
CS 4692: Comparative Social Movements  
CS 4803: Studies in Asian American Literature and Culture  
CS 4804: Studies in Latino Literature and Culture  
CS 4805: Literature of the Americas  
CS 4809: The Twentieth-Century Novel: Transnational Contexts  
CS 4822: Native American Identity  
CS 4845: Gender, Sexuality, and Science  
CS 4921: Intersections: Approaches to Race, Gender, Class, and Sexuality

**Comparative Studies Minor program guidelines**

**Required for graduation** No

**Credit hours required** A minimum of 12 hours. 1000-level courses may not be counted toward the 12 credit hour minimum.

**Transfer credit hours allowed** No more than one half of the credit hours required on the minor.

**Overlap with the GE** A student is permitted to overlap up to 6 credit hours between the GE and the minor.

**Overlap with the major and additional minors**

- The minor must be in a different subject than the major.
- The minor must contain a minimum of 12 hours distinct from the major and/or additional minor(s).

**Grades required**

- Minimum C- for a course to be listed on the minor.
- Minimum 2.00 cumulative point-hour ratio required for the minor.
- Course work graded Pass/Non-Pass cannot count toward the minor.
- No more than 3 credit hours of course work graded Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory may count toward the minor.

**Minor approval:** The minor course work must be approved by the Department of Comparative Studies or the ASC advisor.

**Filing the minor program form:** The minor program form must be filed at least by the time the graduation application is submitted to a college/school counselor.

**Changing the minor:** Once the minor program is filed in the college office, any changes must be approved by the Department of Comparative Studies or the ASC advisor.

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