

Caribbean Studies Minor

The Caribbean Studies minor is designed to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of the Caribbean region that moves beyond stereotypes and exoticism. In the various courses offered, students are able to explore the complexities of the region's economy and various economic organizations, its culture, society, geo-political significance, and literature.

The minor serves as an important supplement for those students who are studying international relations, sociology, anthropology, economics, literature, and politics, among other disciplines. Combining Caribbean Studies with a major in one of the aforementioned areas contributes not only to the broadening of the horizon of the student but provides a strong basis for pursuing graduate opportunities in such areas as development planning, development economics, international relations, sociology, anthropology, postcolonial literature, cultural studies, gender studies, and area studies. Other students may find that a background in Caribbean Studies is useful in seeking employment in the foreign service, AID agencies, in many international organizations, and in non-governmental organizations.

The interdepartmental minor in Caribbean Studies consists of five courses selected from the following list. No more than two courses may be taken in any one department.

ECON 266	Political Economy of Caribbean	1
ECON 301	Independent Study (Barbados Summer Program)	1
ENGL 227	Caribbean Literature	1
FREN 236	Topics in Francophone Literature and Culture (when relevant)	1
FREN 395	Seminar in French Studies	1
SOCI 213	Race in Historical and Comparative Perspectives	1
SOCI 290	Caribbean Society Music and Ritual	1
SOCI 310	The Sociology of Developing Societies ¹	1

¹ Only one of these courses may count toward the minor.

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