

Ethnic Studies at Grauer

In November 2023, we surveyed the Grauer faculty for integrated lessons on these groups:

African American
Chicano/a/x or Latino/a/x
Asian American
Native American
Jewish American
Muslim American
Pacific Islander
Other (if you teach about another group you want to mention)

The state legislature specified that African Americans, Native Americans, Latino/a/x Americans, and Asian Americans be included in the ethnic studies course, adding additional lessons that included Jewish Americans, Arab Americans, Armenian Americans and Pacific Islanders.

This is incredibly important work as we try to have our young people get a true picture of the nation's past, which we deeply believe will lead them to be more compassionate citizens and have a better understanding of our current society. Integrating different groups from American society into our courses also allows our students of color to connect directly with people that have a similar background - this representation is critically important.

FINDINGS:

- Students are getting a total of 32 weeks of Ethnic Studies from 7th-12th grade (**a semester is between 17 and 23 weeks)
 - 22 weeks in High School Core Classes
 - 10 weeks in Middle School Core Classes
- The most covered Ethnic Group is African Americans
- US History classes and World Religions cover the highest number of weeks of Ethnic Studies

DATA:

Core Classes

Class and Grade	Unit and # of Weeks	Group
US History 8	1 week 7 weeks 2 weeks	Mixed Ethnic Studies African American Native American

World Religion 9	1 week 2 weeks 2 weeks 2 weeks	Native American/Pacific Islander Asian Americans Jewish Americans Muslim Americans
World History 10	2 weeks	Chinese Americans
US History 11	1 week 1 week 1 week 7 weeks 1.5 weeks 1 week	Chinese American Latin American Latin American African American Japanese American Jewish American
Government 12	1 week	Mixed Ethnic Studies

Electives

Class	Unit and # of Weeks	Group
Environmental Sci.	1 week	Pacific Islander
ASL I	1 week	Mixed Ethnic Studies
ASL II	3 weeks	Mixed Ethnic Studies
ASL III	1 week	Mixed Ethnic Studies
Spanish II	1 week	Latin American
Spanish IV	1 week	Latin American
Theater Arts	1 week	African American
Film Studies	2 weeks	Mixed Ethnic Studies

Ethnic Group Breakdown

Group	Weeks
African Americans	14
Asian American	6.5
Jewish Americans	3
Native Americans	3
Muslim Americans	2

Mixed Ethnic Studies	2
Latin Americans	2

MS vs. HS

MS	HS
10 weeks	22 weeks

Additional courses which will be adding lessons in ethnic and diversity studies:
English, Psychology