DISABILITY STUDIES MINOR

Students in the disability studies minor will develop or enhance their understanding of the meanings and effects of disability in a range of historical, cultural, and geographic contexts by exploring the experiences and expertise of disabled people across a range of disciplines. Coursework will focus on both conceptual and concrete skills that will enable students to work toward producing more accessible built and social environments. Additionally, disability studies minors will have the opportunity to participate in and contribute to Fordham’s Research Consortium on Disability and its associated events, engage in research projects with faculty, and participate in the broader community of disability studies scholarship in New York City.

This minor may be of particular interest to those with professional goals in human rights, medicine, and allied health, psychology, public policy, education, social work, law, design, and the humanities.

Requirements

Six courses in disability studies are required for the minor.

Course | Title | Credits
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DISA 2500 | Introduction to Disabilities Studies | 4
One Upper-Level Disability Studies elective | | 4
Four Disability Studies electives | | 15 to 16

1 Courses with the DIUL attribute, listed below, may fulfill this requirement, as may DISA 4999 Independent Study, when taken for 3 or more credits.
2 Any course with the DISA attribute or the DIUL attribute (see lists below) may fulfill this requirement.

Upper-Level Disability Studies electives

Courses in this group have the DIUL attribute.

Course | Title | Credits
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COMC 1101 | Communications and Culture: History, Theory, and Methods | 4
COMC 3247 | Race and Gender in Media | 4
COMC 4146 | Health Communication and Social Justice | 4
COMC 4246 | Media, Disability, Futurity | 4
ECON 3570 | Labor Market and Diversity | 4
ECON 4020 | Disability: Economic and Other Approaches | 4
ENGL 3001 | Queer Theories | 4
ENGL 3106 | After the Apocalypse | 4
ENGL 3609 | Feminism and American Poetry | 4
ENGL 3619 | Crip, Queer and Critical Race Studies | 4
ENGL 3646 | Black Disability Studies | 4
ENGL 3901 | Autism and Literature | 4
ENGL 4172 | Diverse Biologies/Shared Humanity | 4
ENGL 4246 | Media, Disability, Futurity | 4
ENGL 4403 | Extraordinary Bodies | 4
ENGL 4421 | Disability, Literature, Culture: Neurological, Mental & Cognitive Difference in Culture & Context | 4
ENGL 5134 | Queer Theory | 3
FREN 3080 | Critical Disability Studies: Perspectives in French and Francophone Literature and Film | 4
MUSC 2037 | Disability and Music | 4
NSCI 2018 | Biology of Aging | 3
NSCI 4172 | Diverse Biologies/Shared Humanity | 4
PHIL 3905 | Philosophy of Disability | 4
POSC 3322 | Disability Law, Policy, and Advocacy | 4
PSYC 3610 | Global Health and Psychology | 4
PSYC 4310 | Aging and Society | 4
SOCI 3114 | Sociology of Health and Illness | 4
SOCI 4421 | Disability, Literature, Culture: Neurological, Mental, & Cognitive Difference In Culture & Context | 4
SOCI 4444 | Unstrange Minds: On the Ethical Dimensions of Neurological and Cognitive Difference | 4
THEO 3856 | Introduction to Bioethics | 4

Availability

The minor in disabilities studies is available at Fordham College at Rose Hill and at Fordham College at Lincoln Center. Students in Fordham’s School of Professional and Continuing Studies may minor in disabilities studies only if they receive the approval of their advising dean and/or department, and their schedules are sufficiently flexible to permit them to take day courses at the Rose Hill or Lincoln Center campuses.

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