Disability Studies Minor (DSBLYST-MN)

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Disability Studies seeks to study the nature, meaning, and consequences of disability in a global culture from an integrated social, political, and cultural model. It incorporates historical, phenomenological, political, cultural, medical, sociological, technological, educational, and legal perspectives in order to provide an enriched and coherent view of disability as part of the universal human experience, by understanding and analyzing disability as a phenomenon that simultaneously manifests itself at the bodily, person, and societal levels. The minor is designed to provide a context for understanding the meaning and experience of difference in society by requiring students to examine how disability intersects with gender, race, class, age, and sexuality as well.

The Disability Studies minor consists of 14 credit hours of course work. At least six credit hours must be at the 3000 level or above. Once the disability studies coordinator has approved the Minor Program Form, you should file the form with your college or school counselor.

Required core courses (2 courses, 6 CH)

English 2277 Introduction to Disability Studies (3)
Speech and Hearing Science 4510 Disability Studies in Context (3)

Additional course work (3-4 courses, 8-9 CH)
Select at least three courses from the following list. All prerequisites must be satisfied for the courses selected. At least 3 credit hours must at the 3000 level or above. No more than 2 hours of Disability Studies 5700 Disability Studies Workshop can be applied toward the minor. No more than 3 hours of Disability Studies 5191 (Disability Studies Internship) can be applied toward the minor.

American Sign Language
3350 American Deaf Arts and Literature (3)

Anthropology
3302 Introduction to Medical Anthropology (3)
5702 Anthropology in/of the Clinic (3)

Disability Studies
5191 Disability Studies Internship (1-3)
5700 Disability Studies Workshop (1-3)

Education: Teaching and Learning
5471 Clinical Practice in Treating Reading Disabilities (3)
5501 Inclusive Education (3)
5529 Introduction to Visual Impairments (1)

Educational Studies: Special Education
4360 Teaching Writing to Students with Disabilities (3)
5722 Language and Communication Development for Children with Mild to Intensive Disabilities (3)

English
2367.06 Composing Disability in the U.S. (3)
3031 Rhetorics of Health, Illness, and Wellness (3)
4410 Healthcare Experiences: Observing, Reading, Writing (3)
4597.01 The Disability Experience in the Contemporary World (3)

Health and Rehabilitation Science
5100 Introduction to Assistive Technology (3)
5620 Aging, Accessibility, and Design (3)

History
4706 Illness, Injury, and Disability in Modern History (3)

Kinesiology: Physical Education
5544 Introduction to Adapted Physical Activity (3)
5657 Sport and Disability (3)

Pharmaceutical Sciences
3540 Health Citizenship: Advocacy and Change-Making (3)

Psychology
3331 Abnormal Psychology (3)
4571 Psychology of Developmental Disabilities (3)
5681 Development and Psychopathology (3)

Sociology
2290 Sociology of Death and Dying (3)
5450 Sociology of Global Health and Illness (3)
5629 Health Disparities in Social Context (3)

Speech & Hearing Science
3350 Speech Language Communication Across the Life Span (3)
4530 Introduction to Autism (3)
5605 Multicultural Aspects of Communication (3)
5714 Introduction to Sign Language (3)
5860 Augmentative and Alternative Communication (3)

Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies
2325 Health and Inequality (3)
2326 Women and Addiction: A Feminist Perspective (3)

Selections from this group must be made in consultation with the Disability Studies Coordinator, as some courses have variable topics courses, which only occasionally focus on disability studies. All prerequisites must be satisfied for the courses selected.

Disability Studies minor program guidelines

Credit hours required A minimum of 14 credit hrs. 1000 level courses shall not be counted in the minor. At least 6 credit hours must be upper-level courses as defined by the College of Arts and Sciences (3000-level or above).

Transfer and EM credit hours allowed A student is permitted to count up to 6 total hours of transfer credit and/or credit by examination.

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 minor(s)
• 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.
• No more than 3 credit hours of coursework graded Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory may count toward the minor.

X193 credits No more than 3 credit hours.

Approval required The minor course work must be approved by the Disability Studies 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 advisor.

Changing the minor Once the minor program is filed in the college office, any changes must be approved by the minor advisor.

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