AIRS 110. The Foundations of the United States Air Force. 1 credit.
This course introduces the United States Air Force and Air Force Reserve Officers Training Corps. Topics include mission and organization of the Air Force, officer selection, military customs and courtesies, Air Force officer opportunities, and recruitment. JMU students will take AFROTC classes at the University of Virginia for JMU credit. Students interested in joining Air Force ROTC must also register for AIRS 100, Leadership Laboratory.

AIRS 120. The Foundations of the United States Air Force. 1 credit.
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AIRS 210. The Evolution of Air and Space Power. 1 credit.
This course examines general aspects of air and space power through a historical perspective, from the first balloons and dirigibles to the space age global positioning systems of the Persian Gulf War. Topics include principles of war, tenets of air and space power, historical Air Force leaders, and employment of air and space power. JMU students will take AFROTC classes at the University of Virginia for JMU credit. Students interested in joining Air Force ROTC must also register for AIRS 100, Leadership Laboratory.

AIRS 220. The Evolution of Air and Space Power. 1 credit.
This course examines general aspects of air and space power through a historical perspective, from the first balloons and dirigibles to the space age global positioning systems of the Persian Gulf War. Topics include principles of war, tenets of air and space power, historical Air Force leaders, and employment of air and space power. JMU students will take AFROTC classes at the University of Virginia for JMU credit. Students interested in joining Air Force ROTC must also register for AIRS 100, Leadership Laboratory.

AIRS 310. Concepts of Air Force Leadership and Management. 3 credits.
This course studies leadership, management fundamentals, and professional knowledge, Air Force personnel and evaluation systems, leadership ethics, and communication skills required of Air Force junior officers. The class studies as a means of demonstrating and applying the concepts under consideration. JMU students will take AFROTC classes at the University of Virginia for JMU credit.

AIRS 320. Concepts of Air Force Leadership and Management. 3 credits.
This course studies leadership, management fundamentals, and professional knowledge, Air Force personnel and evaluation systems, leadership ethics, and communication skills required of Air Force junior officers. The class studies as a means of demonstrating and applying the concepts under consideration. JMU students will take AFROTC classes at the University of Virginia for JMU credit.

AIRS 410. National Security Affairs/Preparation for Active Duty. 3 credits.
This course examines the national security process, regional studies, advanced leadership ethics and Air Force doctrine. Topics include the military as a profession, officer selection, military justice, civilian control of the military, preparation for active duty and current issues affecting the military profession. JMU students will take AFROTC classes at the University of Virginia for JMU credit.

AIRS 420. National Security Affairs/Preparation for Active Duty. 3 credits.
This course examines the national security process, regional studies, advanced leadership ethics and Air Force doctrine. Topics include the military as a profession, officer selection, military justice, civilian control of the military, preparation for active duty and current issues affecting the military profession. JMU students will take AFROTC classes at the University of Virginia for JMU credit.

American Studies

Cross Disciplinary Studies

GAMS 200. Introduction to American Studies. 3 credits.
This course will highlight the student’s role in interrogating the cultural and political function of representations of America in literature, history, philosophy, religion, popular culture, music, and art. Students will gain an understanding of why definitions of American identity matter and learn about the contemporary debates that inform the discipline of American Studies today. Questions about the changing role of national studies in the face of globalization are central.

AMST 490. Special Studies in American Studies. 3 credits.
Independent study of a topic appropriate to the interdisciplinary method of American studies.

Anthropology

Department of Sociology and Anthropology

Key
A=Archaeology F=Field Experience
B=Biological Anthropology R=Required for All Anthropology Majors
C=Cultural Anthropology W=Writing Intensive

GANTH 195. Cultural Anthropology. 3 credits (C, R).
An introduction to the nature of culture and its relationship to language, economics, politics, kinship, and other institutions in diverse cultures. The course also provides an overview of the theories, methods, and ethical responsibilities involved in the study of cultural systems and ethnographic writing.

GANTH 196. Biological Anthropology. 3 credits (B, R).
An introduction to the origins, evolution, and genetic variability of humans and their relationship to nonhuman primates. Examination of the fossil record, the relationship between biology and culture, and the evolution of human genetics are included. Theories and methods used in the study of biological anthropology are also introduced.

ANTH 197. Archaeology. 3 credits (A, R).
An introduction to the goals, methods, and theory of anthropological archaeology. The course examines the variety of techniques archaeologists use to reconstruct the past from material remains. Archaeological ethics and the impact of the past on contemporary society are also considered.

ANTH 201. The Discipline of Anthropology. 1 credit (R).
This required course introduces students to the subdisciplines of cultural, biological, linguistic, and archaeological anthropology and the logic of their integration within the larger discipline of anthropology. Students will be introduced to current research questions within anthropological archaeology and the impact of the past on contemporary society are also considered.

Prerequisites: Major status or permission of instructor. It is recommended that students have had at least one of the introductory-level ANTH courses (GANTH 195, GANTH 196 or ANTH 197).

GANTH 295. Buried Cities, Lost Tribes: The Rise and Fall of Early Human Societies. 3 credits (A).
This course takes an archaeological and comparative perspective on the origins of human institutions, including art, architecture, religion, and political formation. The course considers the development of early societies in multiple world regions, including Mesopotamia, Egypt, the Indus Valley, Mexico, and the Andes. The course will also be concerned with the development of village life, migration and abandonment, the spread of religious “cults,” the extent of Mesoamerican influence, and the effects of the Spanish conquest are explored.

ANTH 250. Anthropology of the American Southwest. 3 credits (A, C).
This course examines the development of Southwestern societies from early hunter-gatherers to the Native American communities. Major issues include subsistence, settlement, and agriculture, the development of village life, migration and abandonment, the spread of religious “cults,” the extent of Mesoamerican influence, and the effects of the Spanish conquest are explored.

ANTH 285. Peoples and Cultures of Latin America and the Caribbean. 3 credits (C).
Anthropological and historical perspectives on the cultures of Latin America and the Caribbean through such themes as colonialism, nationalism, ethnicity, development, and rural resistance movements.

ANTH 280. Peoples and Cultures of Sub-Saharan Africa. 3 credits (C).
This course is designed to introduce students to the rich and diverse cultural diversity of Sub-Saharan African societies. Basic anthropological concepts are used in analyzing African economics, political systems, marriage patterns, and family organization, religious beliefs and the impacts of colonialism and post-colonial development practices.

ANTH 295. Peoples and Cultures of East Asia. 3 credits (C).
This introductory course examines the peoples and cultures of the core East Asian countries—China, Japan, and Korea. The course is organized around anthropological perspectives on topics such as nationalism, consumption, gender, ethnicity, and development but also emphasizes the cultural, social and historical characteristics of various groups in these nations, in addition to important cultural flows within region.

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